

[No. 10/2020] SECOND SESSION, SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND TABLINGS

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WEDNESDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER 2020

VIRTUAL SITTING: 14H00

1. PRAYER (Item 1 on the Order Paper)

Opportunity for Prayer or silent meditation

2. OBITUARIES (Item 2 on the Order Paper)

Honourable Members, it is with profound sadness that we formally note the passing away of:

2.1 Advocate George Bizos, veteran human rights lawyer and one of the Architects of our Constitution. He was noted for representing Nelson Mandela during the Rivonia Trial, he died of natural causes on Wednesday, 09 September 2020 at the age of 92. He will be buried on Thursday, 17 September 2020 and His Excellency, the President has accorded him a special official funeral;

- 2.2 Achmat Dangor, brother of ANC Deputy Secretary-General Jesse Duarte, a political activist, author and former CEO of the Nelson Mandela Foundation who died on 06 September 2020;
- 2.3 Mr Mthobisi Mbotho, the Local Economic Development Manager at uMuziwabantu Local Municipality, who died on the 12 September 2020 and will be buried on Saturday, 19 September 2020;
- 2.4 All those that have passed on as a result of gender based violence;
- 2.5 All the road fatality victims in the Province of KwaZulu-Natal in the recent past; and
- **2.6** All those that have succumbed to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Let us observe a moment of silence.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS (Item 3 on the Order Paper)

3.1 RULING ON VIRTUAL SITTING

Hon Members, you are reminded that this Virtual Sitting will be conducted in terms of the Rules for Virtual Meetings, read with our existing Standing Rules.

In terms of Rule 6 of the Rules for Virtual Meetings, the quorum requirement for Virtual Sittings of the House are provided for in the Constitution and the Standing Rules of the KZN Legislature. Standing Rule 44 of the Standing Rules provides as follows: "At least one third of all the members of the Legislature must be present to constitute a plenary meeting of the Legislature ..."

The Rules for Virtual Meetings also define "present" as follows:

"present" means the attendance of a Member in a virtual meeting by electronic means in a manner that allows the <u>Member to join and participate</u> in the meeting.

The Secretary has confirmed that we have the required one-third of Members present in order to commence with the Virtual Sitting. The Sitting is therefore properly constituted.

Party voting

Rule 7(d) of the Rules for Virtual Sittings also state that-

"The presiding officer must, <u>before or at the start of the</u> <u>discussion on the matter</u>, <u>expressly inform Members</u> if a party vote will be taken."

In line with the above, I wish to confirm that voting on the Report by the Portfolio Committee on Finance and the Report by the Standing Committee on Oversight will be done on a party-by-party basis. A party vote is a collective vote on behalf of all the members of a Party present at this virtual Sitting, up to the total membership of that party in the sitting.

However, I will allow an opportunity for any individual Member to vote differently from his/her party, or to abstain, if any Member wishes to do so.

We will now proceed with the rest of the matters on the Order Paper.

3.2 APOLOGIES:

- **3.2.1** Honourable Mr A V Khoza will not be able to attend the Sitting from 16 to 18 September 2020 due to organisational commitments; and
- **3.2.2** Honourable Mr L G Seja will not be able to attend today's Sitting due to organisational commitment.

3.3. MEMBERS WHO ARE NOT WELL

- 3.3.1 Honourable Mr M E Ndobe, Deputy Speaker has tendered an apology, he will not be able to attend the Sittings from 16 to 18 September 2020 he is not well; and
- **3.3.2** Honourable Ms P P Harricks will not be able to attend the Sitting on 16, 17, 18 and 29 September 2020 due to health reason.

3.4 ALERT LEVEL 2

As a country, it is pleasing to note that infections of COVID-19 are declining, however, this does not mean that we must be complacent. The President and the Minister of Health together with their teams have pleaded with us to continue to observe all that is necessary to keep the numbers of infections as low as we all possibly can. It is in this light that as Legislators should continue to encourage people that we meet in our spaces to uphold all necessary precautionary measures towards curbing further infections.

We must not forget to thank all our health practitioners who have worked tirelessly in assisting and taking care of those who had been infected with COVID-19. We will forever be indebted to all frontline workers who continue to render health care during this time.

As Members we must continue to encourage people to observe and strictly adhere to Level 2 Disaster Regulations that are currently applicable.

3.5 SUBMISSION OF ELECTRONIC COPIES OF SPEECHES TO HANSARD

Honourable Members are requested to provide Hansard with electronic copies of their speeches, where possible to <u>parrotta@kznleg.gov.za</u> or <u>stonej@kznleg.gov.za</u>

3.6 REMINDER FOR SUBMISSION OF DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL INTEREST FORMS

Members are urged to submit Disclosure of Financial Interest Forms as soon as possible. The initial deadline has passed where these forms were due on 30 April 2020. Any assistance in this regard please liaise with Manager Legal Services Mr Nishan Sukraj at 082 255 7716 or 083 627 8070. Email: <u>SUKRAJR@kznleg.gov.za</u>

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS BY THE PREMIER (Item 4 on the Order Paper)

Opportunity for Premier to make Announcements

5. TABLINGS (Item 5 on the Order Paper)

5.1 Standing Committee on Oversight:

5.1.1 Report of the Standing Committee on Oversight in respect of Vote 2: The Legislature: The KwaZulu-Natal Special Adjustments Appropriation Bill, 2020.

5.2 Finance Portfolio Committee Report:

- **5.2.2** KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Legislature Report of the Finance Portfolio Committee 2020/2021 Special Adjustments Budget.
- 5.3 Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs(COGTA) Portfolio Committee:
 - **5.3.1** Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA) Portfolio Committee Special Adjustment Estimates for the 2020/21 Financial Year.

5.4 Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

- 5.4.1 Consolidated Annual Municipal Performance Report in terms of Section 47 of the Municipal Systems Act, No. 32 of 2000 for the 2018/2019 Financial Year;
- 5.4.2 Umvoti Municipality Draft Oversight Report on the 2018/2019 Annual Report; and
- **5.4.3** Umvoti Municipality Final 2018/2019 Annual Report.

- 6. Formal Motions or Notices by the Chief Whip (Item 6 on Order Paper)
- 7. Order of the Day (Item 7 on the Order Paper)
 - 7.1 General Budget Debate.