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The Municipal Manager

Mafikeng Local Municipality

RE: RATEPAYERS MAKING PAYMENTS TO THE INCORRECT BANK ACCOUNT

We have received complaints from residents who paid their accounts, but that such payments do not reflect on their monthly statements.

Upon enquiry, it came to light that the municipality has two bank accounts – one at Absa and the other at Standard Bank.

We were told that the Absa account, which was used by the complainants, was created by the former Municipal Manager, Mr Mokwena and was not approved by council.

For this reason, the account is no longer in use by the Municipality and is in the process of being closed, but this was not communicated to ratepayers and, as a result, their accounts reflect as outstanding on the system.

To this end, we would like to know the following:

- Why was no action taken to transfer the funds?
- What is the current balance of the Absa account?
- What action will be taken to transfer the funds from the Absa account to Standard Bank?
- When will the process commence?

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We are looking forward to a response within seven working days, failure upon which the matter will be elevated to the Department of Cooperative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs (COGHSTA) for an investigation via our Chief Whip in the Legislature.

Kindly respond via email to wbohmer51@gmail.com.

Yours faithfully,

W Böhmer

DA Councillor

Received by: _____
Signature: _____
Date: _____

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