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**TO: The Executive Mayor of MMM: Cllr Mxolisi Ashford Siyonzana**

**TO: The Deputy Executive Mayor Cllr Maria Mapaseka Mothibi-Nkoane**

BY HAND



**RE: LETTER OF DEMAND TO RESTORE SERVICE DELIVERY IN MANGAUNG METRO MUNICIPALITY IMMEDIATELY**

Dear Sir / Madam

We as the Democratic Alliance in accordance with the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, Chapter 7 section 152 (1) Objects of local government state the following:

- (a) To provide a democratic and accountable government for local communities;
- (b) To ensure the provision of services to communities in a sustainable manner;
- (c) To promote social and economic development;
- (d) To promote a safe and healthy environment; and
- (e) To encourage the involvement of communities and community organisations in the matters of local government, hereby demand the following action steps from the Executive and Administration of the Mangaung Metro Municipality:

**A) ADJUSTMENT BUDGET 2022/2023:** The Executive Mayor must table the Adjustment Budget with lower tariffs as proposed by the official opposition and make sure the Adjustment Budget is funded to ensure that there is money for service delivery until the end of June 2023.

*JAMES VAN DER MERWE*  
 OBO: Deputy Mayor  
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**B) APPOINT THE OMBUDSMAN:** The ombudsman is there to protect the interest of the public. The Executive Mayor must instruct the Acting City Manager to immediately start the process to appoint the ombudsman after numerous Council resolutions.

**C) CONTRACTORS:** It is crucial to re-appoint the contractors that can assist with drain blockages, stormwater inlets & repairs, water leaks, pothole repairs & refuse removal.

**D) CITY MANAGER:** The Mangaung Metro Municipality urgently needs stability and the only way is for Council to appoint a City Manager that is competent and fit for the purpose to turn the Metro around. The Executive Mayor must table a short list of candidates with their CVs in the next Council meeting and Council needs to appoint the best candidate.

**E) POWER OUTAGES:** The Mangaung Metro Municipality is most of the time dark with continued power outages and loadshedding, areas in the Metro are without power for days on end. Centlec has to with immediate effect either appoint contractors or buy resources to prune the trees in all the areas with power cables above ground. This will sort out 70% of the problems with power outages in bad weather.

**F) TRAFFIC & LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS:** The traffic and law enforcement officers have to leave the comfort of their offices and work. They need to be visible on the ground and enforce the by-laws of this Metro. The lawlessness must stop and the safety of our residents has to be priority number one.

**G) GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS DEBT:** Government departments' debt must be recovered immediately, or the departments must be cut-off.

**H) WATER SECURITY:** The administration must ensure that the Bloemwater account is paid up to date. The Maselspoort water works must be in perfect working order, and they must ensure there is enough chlorine to purify the water with the rainy season upon us.

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The only way we can go forward and turn this Metro around is when the Administration and Executive implement these 8 crucial points. The officials lack the ability and resources to bring back stability to the Mangaung Metro Municipality. This is the time to show true leadership and embrace the advice of the official opposition. We all need to work together to bring back stability to the Metro.

The Constitution of the Republic of South Africa Preamble states to heal the divisions of the past and establish a society based on democratic values, social justice and fundamental human rights, improve the quality of life of all citizens and free the potential of each person, lay the foundations for a democratic and open society in which government is based on the will of the people, and in which every citizen is equally protected by law and build a united and democratic South Africa that is able to take its rightful place as a sovereign state in the family of nations.

The residents of Mangaung are suffering because of this political instability, it is time for the ruling party to let this hunger for power and money be set aside and work with opposition parties to help the people of this Metro live their lives in dignity and safety.

Cllr Johan Pretorius  
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