

City Manager eThekwini Municipality Musa Mbhele City Hall Durban

9 October 2023

Mr Musa Mbhele

I refer you to the letter titled: NOTICE TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME BENEFICIARIES: SUSPENSION OF PEP DEPARTMENTAL PROJECTS UNDER THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME IN **ETHEKWINI MUNICIPALITY AS OF 09 OCTOBER 2023**

I have since received several queries regarding this and therefore require clarity on the following questions:

- 1. Is this letter and its content authentic and known to you?
- 2. When did the eThekwini Municipality know that there would no longer be funding provided for this program as of October?
- 3. When was the letter sent to all the affected people/beneficiaries including councillors and how was it sent?
 - 4. How many people are affected by this sudden suspension of the program?
- 5. What effort/s was made to get an indication from the national government on the availability of funding for this program?
- 6. What effort has the city made to ensure that the program is free from ghost employees and that deserving people benefit from this program?
- 7. Parts of the program were implemented by NPO's. Does this suspension also apply to PEP beneficiaries employed through the NPO's?

Yours Sincerely

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