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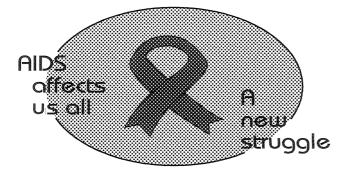
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### LOCAL AUTHORITY NOTICES

#### **LOCAL AUTHORITY NOTICE 187**



#### MUNICIPAL CREDIT CONTROL & DEBT COLLECTION BY-LAW

#### **PREAMBLE**

WHEREAS section 229(1) of the Constitution requires a municipality to impose rates on property and surcharges on fees for the services provided by or on behalf of the municipality.

AND WHEREAS section 13 of the Municipal Systems Act read with section 162 of the Constitution require a municipality to promulgate municipal by-laws by publishing them in the gazette of the relevant province.

AND WHEREAS section 98 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 requires a municipality to adopt by-laws to give effect to the implementation of its Control & Debt Collection policy; the by-laws may differentiate between the different categories of properties and different categories of owners of properties liable for the payment of rates;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Council of the Nkomazi Local Municipality, as follows:

#### 1. DEFINITION

In this by-law, any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act No. 32 of 2000), shall bear the same meaning unless the context indicates otherwise.

'Municipality' means Nkomazi Local Municipality

'Account' means account rendered for municipal services provided.

'Applicable charges' means the rate, charge, tariff, flat rate or subsidy determined by the municipal council.

#### 2. OBJECTS

The object of this by-law is to give effect to the implementation of the Credit Control & Debt Collection Policy as contemplated in terms of section 98 of the Municipal Systems Act.

## 3. ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF CREDIT CONTROL & DEBT COLLECTION POLICY

3.1. The Municipality shall adopt and implement its Control & Debt Collection Policy consistent with the Municipal Systems Act on the collection of rates on rateable property within the jurisdiction of the municipality; and

### 4. CONTENTS OF A CREDIT CONTROL & DEBT COLLECTION POLICY

The Credit Control & Debt Collection must provide for;

- 4.1. Credit procedures and mechanisms;
- 4.2. Debt collection procedures;
- 4.3. Interest on arrears

#### 5. ENFORCEMENT OF THE CREDIT CONTROL & DEBT COLLECTION POLICY

The Municipality's Rates Policy shall be enforced through the Credit Control and Debt Collection Policy and any further enforcement mechanisms stipulated in the Act and the Municipality's Rates Policy.

#### 6. SHORT TITLE AND COMMENCEMENT

This By-law is called the Credit Control and Debt Collection By-law, and takes effect on 1 July 2014

#### **LOCAL AUTHORITY NOTICE 188**



#### **MUNICIPAL PROPERTY RATES BY-LAW**

#### **PREAMBLE**

WHEREAS section 229(1) of the Constitution requires a municipality to impose rates on property and surcharges on fees for the services provided by or on behalf of the municipality.

AND WHEREAS section 13 of the Municipal Systems Act read with section 162 of the Constitution require a municipality to promulgate municipal by-laws by publishing them in the gazette of the relevant province.

AND WHEREAS section 6 of the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004 requires a municipality to adopt by-laws to give effect to the implementation of its property rates policy; the by-laws may differentiate between the different categories of properties and different categories of owners of properties liable for the payment of rates;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Council of the Nkomazi Local Municipality, as follows:

#### 1. DEFINITION

In this by-law, any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004), shall bear the same meaning unless the context indicates otherwise.

'Municipality' means Nkomazi Local Municipality

'Property Rates Act' means the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004 (Act No 6 of 2004);

'Rates Policy' means the policy on the levying of rates on rateable properties of the (name of municipality), contemplated in chapter 2 of the Municipal Property Rates Act.

#### 2. OBJECTS

The object of this by-law is to give effect to the implementation of the Rates Policy as contemplated in section 6 of the Municipal Property Rates Act.

#### 3. ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RATES POLICY

- 3.1. The Municipality shall adopt and implement its Rates Policy consistent with the Municipal Property Rates Act on the levying of rates on rateable property within the jurisdiction of the municipality; and
- **3.2.** The Municipality shall not be entitled to levy rates other than in terms of its Rates Policy.

#### 4. CONTENTS OF A RATE POLICY

The Rates Policy shall, inter alia:

- 4.1. Apply to all rates levied by the Municipality pursuant to the adoption of its Annual Budget;
- 4.2. Comply with the requirements for:
  - 4.2.1. the adoption and contents of a rates policy specified in section 3 of the Act;
  - 4.2.2. the process of community participation specified in section 4 of the Act; and
  - 4.2.3. the annual review of a Rates Policy specified in section 5 of the Act.
- 4.3. Provide for principles, criteria and implementation measures that are consistent with the Municipal Property Rates Act for the levying of rates which the Council may adopt; and
- 4.4. Provide for enforcement mechanisms that are consistent with the Municipal Property Rates Act and the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act No. 32 of 2000).

#### 5. ENFORCEMENT OF THE RATES POLICY

The Municipality's Rates Policy shall be enforced through the Credit Control and Debt Collection Policy and any further enforcement mechanisms stipulated in the Act and the Municipality's Rates Policy.

#### 6. SHORT TITLE AND COMMENCEMENT

This By-law is called the Municipal Property Rates By-law, and takes effect on 1 July 2014

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