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LOCAL AUTHORITY NOTICES

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Ramotshere Moiloa Local Municipality

Notice of levying rates

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 14 (2) of Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004) that Ramotshere Moiloa Local Municipality resolved to levy the following rates and tariffs as captured.

<u>Rates Tariffs</u>					
Financial Year	2009/2010	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014
Council Res. Item No:	02/05/2009	01/06/2010	28/04/2011	02/05/2012	01/05/2013
Dated:	29/05/2009	08/06/2010	21/04/2011	31/05/2012	31/05/2013
Basic Charge	R0.01	R0.01	R0.015	R0.015	R0.015
Site	R0.01	R0.01	R0.015	R0.015	R0.015
Residential Property	R0.01	R0.01	R0.015	R0.015	R0.015
Business Property	R0.02	R0.02	R0.025	R0.025	R0.025
Agricultural Property	R0.0025	R0.0025	R0.0030	R0.0030	R0.0030
Public Service Infrastructure Property	R0.0025	R0.0025	R0.0030	R0.0030	R0.0030
Government	R0.0025	R0.0025	R0.0030	R0.0030	R0.0030

Copies of levying rates and tariffs are available on:

- Corner Coetsee & President Street, Zeerust; Lehurutshe Civic Centre; Corner Boerboon Street, Groot Marico & 367 Merementsi Street, Ikageleng
- Enquiries can be directed to: Ms Galaletsang Moroane (018 642 1081) during office hours



 Mr Crosby Maema
 Municipal Manager

LOCAL AUTHORITY NOTICE 254

RMLM RATES BY-LAW

23 MAY 2013

RAMOTSHERE MOILOA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

Notice is hereby given in terms of section 13 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000(Act 32 of 2000), read with section 6 of the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004(Act 6 of 2004) that Council adopted the Property Rates By-laws as set out hereunder.

**C.MAEMA
MUNICIPAL MANAGER**

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RMLM RATES BY-LAW

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1. DEFINITIONS

The words and expressions used in this by-law shall have the respective meanings assigned to them in the Rates Policy of the Municipality, and words or expressions to which a meaning has been assigned in terms of the provisions of section 1 of the MPRA will have the meaning assigned thereto by the said act. All headings are included for convenience only and shall not be used in the interpretation of any of the provisions of this by-law.

2. THE RATES POLICY ADOPTED BY THE MUNICIPALITY

This Municipality has prepared and adopted a policy, known as the Rates Policy of the Municipality (also referred to as "the policy"), as contemplated in terms of the provisions of section 3(1) of the MPRA. The policy comprehensively and in detail deals with and regulates the matters as prescribed in the provisions of sections 3(3),3(4),3(5) and 6(2) of the MPRA and therefore it is not necessary for this by-law to restate and repeat same. Therefore and without repeating the contents of the policy, the contents of the policy are hereby incorporated into this by-law by reference and *mutatis mutandis* assigned the status of a by-law in as far as it is required for its implementation, enforcement and to be given effect to, as referred to in terms of the provision of section 6(1) of the MPRA.

3. OBJECTIVE OF THE BY-LAW

The objective of this by-law is to give effect to the implementation and enforcement of the policy of the Municipality as required in terms of the provisions of section 6(1) of the MPRA.

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4. TITLE AND APPLICATION OF THE BY-LAW

- (1) This by-law is known as the Rates By-Law of the Municipality.
- (2) This by-law revokes all previous by-laws, decisions and/or *ad hoc* clauses within any other by-law, regarding the subject matter of this by-law.

5. RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY

The responsible authority for the adoption, publication and implementation of this by-Law is the Municipality and where applicable the municipal council of the Municipality.

6. COMMENCEMENT AND VALIDITY

This by-law shall come into full force and effect upon publication hereof in accordance with the provisions of section 13 of the Systems Act.

7. ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE WITH THIS BY-LAW

The Municipality shall enforce compliance with this by-law.

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8. POWERS OF THE MUNICIPALITY IN TERMS OF THE MPRA OR THIS BY-LAW

- (1) Where the Municipality executes any actions or conducts any inspection in terms of this by-law the Municipality may in addition to any rights and powers given to the Municipality in terms of the MPRA or this by-law:
- (a) access any premises and/or execute work on and/or inspect any premises;
 - b) question a person present on any premises in respect of any matter which may be relevant to the work or inspection;
 - (c) question a person whom the Municipality believes may have information relevant to the work or inspection;
 - (d) inspect any document that a person is required to maintain in terms of any law or may be relevant to any work or inspection;
 - (e) copy any document referred to in sub-section (d) above, or if necessary remove the document in order to copy it;
 - (f) take samples of any substance that is relevant to the work or inspection;
 - (g) monitor and take readings or make measurements;
 - (h) take photos or make audio-visual recordings of anything or any person, process, action or condition on or regarding any premises;
 - (i) do whatsoever is necessary for the execution of work or the conducting of an inspection including removing any object or item from the premises, such as to enable the Municipality to do what is required to

give effect to and/or enforce the provisions of this by-law;

(j) remove or rectify any unlawful connection, works, material, acts or behavior.

(2) Where the Municipality removes anything other than a substance referred to in sub-section (1) (f) above, from premises being worked upon or inspected must:

(a) issue a receipt for anything removed from the premises to the owner or any person in control of the premises;

(b) return the object removed as soon as practically possible after achieving the purpose for which it was removed.

9. OBSERVING FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

The Municipality must, when exercising any right in terms of this by-law, do so with strict regard for decency and orderliness and with regard for each person's human rights including the right to dignity, freedom, security and privacy.

10. NON LIABILITY OF THE MUNICIPALITY

Neither the Municipality nor any employee, official, person, body, organization or corporation acting on behalf of the Municipality shall be liable for any loss or damages of whatsoever nature howsoever arising whether, direct or consequential, suffered or sustained by any person as a result of, or arising from the Municipality enforcing, imposing, giving effect to or taking any act or omission in respect of any matter in terms of this by-law.

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11. CODE OF ETHICS

- (1) All the officials of the Municipality shall embrace the spirit of Batho Pele and treat all rate payers, owners, consumers, customers and debtors with dignity and respect at all times.
- (2) Employees of the Municipality shall execute their duties in terms of this policy in an honest and transparent manner whilst protecting the confidentiality of information of rate payers, owners, consumers, customers and debtors in accordance with the provisions of the Promotion of Access to Information Act, Act 2 of 2000.

12. AUTHENTICATION OF DOCUMENTS

Any document requiring authentication by the Municipality shall be sufficiently authenticated if signed by the Municipal Manager, or by a person duly authorized to do so, on behalf of the Municipality, by resolution of the Municipality and shall constitute *prima facie* proof of the authenticity, existence and contents of the document.

13. PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE

In legal proceedings by, or on behalf of the Municipality, a certificate reflecting any information required in terms of this by-law included in such a certificate and which is signed by the Municipal Manager, or by a person duly authorized to do so, on behalf of the Municipality, by resolution of the Municipality, shall subject to the provisions of section 3 of the Law of Evidence Amendment Act, Act 45 of 1988, upon its mere production constitute *prima facie* evidence of the contents of the certificate.

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14. PROVISION OF INFORMATION

A rate payer, owner, consumer, customer and debtor or person within the municipal area the Municipality must provide the Municipality with accurate information requested by the Municipality that is reasonably required by the Municipality for the implementation or enforcement of this by-law.

15. FALSE STATEMENTS OR INFORMATION

No person shall make a false statement or furnish false information to the Municipality or falsify a document issued in terms of this by-law.

16. OFFENCES

(1) It is an offence for any person to:

- (a) unlawfully and intentionally or negligently interfere with any actions taken by the Municipality in terms of this by-law;
- (b) contravene or fail to comply with any provision of this by-law in as much as this by-law places an obligation or duty on such a person to comply with this by-law;
- (c) contravene or fail to comply with a condition or prohibition imposed in terms of this by-law;
- (d) contravene or fail to comply with any conditions imposed upon the granting of any application, consent, approval, concession, exemption, rebate or authority in terms of this by-law;
- (e) fail to provide information or provide false or misleading information reasonably requested by the Municipality;

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- (f) fail or refuse to give access required by the Municipality in terms of the provision of this by-law;
- (g) fail to comply with the terms of a notice served upon him/her in terms of this by-law;
- (h) fail or refuse to provide the Municipality with a document or information that the Municipality is entitled to in terms of this by-law;
- (i) disclose any information relating to the financial or business affairs of any person which information was acquired in the performance of any function or exercise of any power in terms of this by-law;
- (j) fail to comply with any lawful instruction given in terms of this by-law; or
- (k) obstruct or hinder the Municipality in the execution of the Municipality's duties under this by-law.

- (2) Any alleged offence committed in terms of sub-section (1) above, may be referred to the South African Police Services by the Municipality for investigation with a view to possible prosecution.

17. PENALTY

A person who contravenes or fail to comply with a provision of this by-law, or commit an offence as set out in this by-law shall be liable on conviction to a fine or imprisonment, or in the case of any continued offence to a further fine or imprisonment for every day during the continuance of such offence.

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18. AVAILABILITY OF BY-LAW

A copy of this by-law shall be included in the Municipality's Municipal Code as required by the provisions of section 15 of the Systems Act and a copy of this by-law shall be available for inspection at the offices of the Municipality at all reasonable times and shall also be available from the Municipality against payment of an amount as determined by the Council.

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