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## MOSSEL BAY MUNICIPALITY

### PROMULGATION OF PROPERTY RATES FOR THE 2019/2020 FINANCIAL YEAR

Notice is herewith given in terms of section 14(2) of the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act (Act 6 of 2004) that the Municipal Council on 30 May 2019 (Resolution E98-05/2019) adopted the following tariffs in respect of property rates:

#### All Areas

Industrial	R0.006848
Business & Commercial (Including farm business)	R0.006848
• Accommodation Establishments (5 -7 rental units)	30% discount
• Accommodation Establishments (8-11 rental units)	15% discount
• Accommodation Establishments (12 or more rental units)	0% discount
• Farm Business	30% discount
Public Service Infrastructure property	R0.000856
Public Service Infrastructure Impermissible property (90% phasing out as per Sect 93A of MPRA)	R0.000856
Residential (Including Flats and Group Housing)	R0.003424
Residential (Accommodation Establishments (1 - 4 rental units))	R0.003424
Agricultural (Excluding land used for business or accommodation purposes) - Bona fide farmers with certifide proof can apply for a 15% rebate on property rates	R0.000856
Public Benefit Organisations	R0.000856
Vacant Land:	
• Business	R0.008218
• Residential	R0.004451
Public Service Properties (State owned properties)	R0.000856
<u>Special Rating Area Mossel Bay Central Improvement District:</u>	
Commercial Property	R0.001090
Residential Property	R0.000545
(Please note that the tariff for the special rating areas are inclusive of VAT)	
Municipal Property	100% rebate
Churches	100% Exempted
Parsonages	100% Exempted
Protected areas	100% Exempted
National Monuments	100% Exempted

The first R50 000 of the valuation of Residential properties are exempted from the levying of rates.

The first R81 000 of the valuation of Indigent Level 1 households and households housing a person with a disability is exempted from the levying of rates.

Discount to Pensioners

Pensioners qualify for the under mentioned discounts of property rates if they comply with the following conditions:

- a) Occupy the property as his/her Primary Residence, and
- b) Be at least 60 years of age
- c) Has been declared medical unfit even if not yet 60 years of age, and
- d) Be in receipt of a gross household income not exceeding the amount determined by Council during the Municipality's budget process.

Discount to Pensioners

- a) Total gross income of husband and wife may not exceed R21 000 per month  
(R252 000 per annum) 30% discount
- b) Total income of husband and wife may not exceed R15 750 per month.  
(R189 000 per annum) 50% discount

**All Rates tariffs are ZERO RATED for VAT purposes)**

**In the event of an inconsistency between the English, Afrikaans or Xhosa text, the English text shall prevail.**

**MOSSELBAAI MUNISIPALITEIT**  
**PROMULGERING VAN EIENDOMSBELASTING VIR DIE 2019/2020**  
**FINANSIËLE JAAR**

Kennis geskied hiermee ingevolge artikel 14(2) van die Wet op Plaaslike Regering: Munisipale Eiendomsbelasting (Wet 6 van 2004) dat die Munisipale Raad op 30 Mei 2019 (Raadsbesluit E98-05/2019) die volgende tariewe ten opsigte van eiendomsbelasting aanvaar het:

Alle Gebiede:

Industriële	R0.006848
Besigheid en Kommersieel (Insluitend Landbou besighede)	R0.006848
• Akkommodasie Instellings (5 – 7 uur eenhede)	30% Afslag
• Akkommodasie Instellings (8 – 11uur eenhede)	15% Afslag
• Akkommodasie Instellings (12 en meer uur eenhede)	0% Afslag
• Landbou besighede	30% Afslag
Publieke Diens Infrastruktuur eiendom	R0.000856
Publieke Diens Infrastruktuur ontoelaatbare eiendom (90% uitfasering Ingevolge Artikel 93A van die Eiendomsbelastingwet)	R0.000856
Residensiële (insluitend woonstelle en groepsbehuising)	R0.003424
Residensiële (Akkommodasie Instellings 1 – 4 uur eenhede)	R0.003424
Landbou (uitgesluit grond wat gebruik word vir besigheid of akkommodasie doeleindes) bona fide boere met gesertifiseerde bewys kan aansoek doen vir 'n 15% korting op Eiendomsbelasting	R0.000856
Publieke Voordeel Organisasies	R0 000856
Vakante grond:	
• Besigheid	R0.008218
• Residensiële	R0.004451
Publieke Diens Eiendomme (Staatseiendomme)	R0.000856
<u>Spesiale Belasting Gebied Mosselbaai Sentrale Verbeteringsdisktrik</u>	
Kommersiële Eiendom	R0.001090
Residensiële Eiendom	R0.000545
(Let wel dat die tarief vir spesiale belasting gebiede BTW ingesluit is)	
Munisipale Eiendom	100% Korting
Kerke	100% Vrygestel
Pastoriee	100% Vrygestel
Beskermdde Areas	100% Vrygestel
Nasionale Monumente	100% Vrygestel

Die eerste R50 000 van die waardasie van residensiële eiendomme is vrygestel van die hef van belastings.

Die eerste R81 000 van die waardasie van Deernisvlak 1 huishoudings en huishoudings wat 'n persoon met 'n gestremdheid huisves, is vrygestel van die hef van belastings.

#### Afslag aan Pensioenarisse

Pensioenarisse kwalifiseer vir die onderstaande afslag vir eiendomsbelasting indien hulle voldoen aan die volgende vereistes:

- a) Die eiendom as sy/haar primêre woning bewoon; en
- b) Ten minste 60 jaar oud is
- c) Medies ongeskik verklaar is selfs al is hy/sy nog nie 60 jaar oud nie, en
- d) 'n Bruto huishoudelike inkomste het wat nie hoër is as dit wat deur die Raad bepaal is tydens die Munisipaliteit se begrotingsproses.

#### Afslag aan Pensioenarisse

- a) Die totale bruto inkomste van die man en vrou mag nie meer as R21 000 per maand (R252 000 per jaar) wees nie 30% afslag
- b) Die totale inkomste van die man en vrou mag nie meer as R15 750 per maand (R189 000 per jaar) wees nie 50% afslag

#### Alle tariewe is NUL gereken vir BTW-doeleindes

In die geval van 'n teenstrydigheid tussen die Engels, Afrikaans en Xhosa sal die Engelse teks geldig wees.

## UMASIPALA WASE MOSSEL BHAYI

### UKUBHENGEZWA KWAMAXABISO EENDAWO KUNYAKA-MALI KA 2019/2020

Esi siSaziso esikhutswa phantsi kwesoloty 14(2) likaRhulumente waseMakhaya: uMthetho wamaXabiso eeNdawo zikaMasipala (uMthetho 6 ka 2004) sokuba iBhunga likaMasipala ngomhla wama 30 Meyi 2019 (iSiggqibo E98-05/2019) liye lamkela la maxabiso alandelayo eendawo:

Iindawo zonke

Ezemizi-Mveliso	R0.006848
UShishino noRhwebo(kubandakanya ushishon lwamafama)	R0.006848
• Iindawo zobonelelo ngendawo yokuhlala(5-7 zoqeshiso)	30% Isaphulelo
• Iindawo zobonelelo ngendawo yokuhlala(8-11 zoqeshiso)	15% Isaphulelo
• Iindawo zobonelelo ngendawo yokuhlala(12 nangaphezulu)	0% Isaphulelo
• Ushishino lwamaFama	30% Isaphulelo
Amaziko akwiiNdawo zikaRhulumente	R0.000856
Amaziko akwiiNdawo zikaRhulumente ezingavumelekanga (i-90% yazo epheliswa phantsi kweSoloty 93A le MPRA)	R0.000856
iiNdawo zokuhlala (kubandakanya iiFleti neZindlu zamaQela)	R0.003424
iiNdawo zokuhlala (iiNdawo zotonelelo nyendawo(1-4 zoqeshiso)	R0.003424
Ezolimo (ngaphandle komhlaba osetyenziselwa ushishino okanye kwiinjono zobonelelo ngendawo yokuhlala)	R0.000856
- Amafama aqinisekisiweyo kwaye anobungqina angenza Isicelo sembuyekezo ye 15% kwimirhumo yeendawo	
Imibutho apho kuxhamla kuyo uluntu	R0.000856
Umhlaba Ovulekileyo (ovulekileyo):	
• Woshishino	R0.008218
• Wokuhlalisa uluntu	R0.004451
IiNdawo zeNkonzo kaRhulumente(iiNdawo zikaRhulumente)	R0.000856
<u>Iingingqi eMiselwe amaxabiso aKhethekileyo(awodwa)</u>	
<u>kuMbindi woPhuhliso lwe Mossel Bhayi:</u>	
iiNdawo zoRhwebo	R0.001090
iiNdawo zokuHlala (Nceda uqonde ukuba ixabiso elimiselwe iingingqi ezikhethekileyo libandakanya iRhafu yeNtengo)	R0.000545
IiNdawo zikaMasipala	100%
IiCawa	100% azirhumi
Izindlu ezihlala abeFundisi	100% azirhumi
Iingingqi ezikhuselweyo	100% azirhumi
Imiyezo yeSizwe	100% azirhumi

Isixa esiyi R50 000 sokuqala kummiseloxabiso lweNdawo yokuhlala ayihlawuliswa mirhumo yamaxabiso.

Isixa esiyi R81 000 sokuqala sommiselo-xabiso lwamakhaya aHluphekileyo kuMgangatho 1 kunye namakhaya anabantu abakhubazekileyo awahlawulidwa mithumo yamaxabiso.

Isaphulelo kwabo barhola iNkam-nkam

Abarhola indodla bayakuqwalaseleka kwezi zaphulelo zilandelayo zamaxabiso eendawo xa bezalisekisa le miqathango ilandelayo:

- a) Uhlala kuloo ndawo yena ubuqu engenayo eyenye indawo,
- b) Abe sele enayo iminyaka engama-60 ubudala
- c) Abe uqinisekiswe njengomntu ongaphilanga ngokwasempilweni nokuba akakabi nayo iminyaka engama 60, kwaye
- d) libe ikhaya lilonke lifumana ingeniso engadlulanga kwisixa esimiselwe liBhunga ngexesha lenkqubo yHlahloLwabiwo-Mali lweBhunga.

Isaphulelo kwabo barhola iNkam-nkam

- a) Ingeniso iyonke xa idibene yomyeni nenkosikazi akufuneki idlule ngaphaya kwe R21 000 ngenyanga (R252 000 ngonyaka) 30% isaphulelo
- b) Ingeniso iyonke yomyeni kunye nenkosikazi akufuneki ibe ngaphaya kwe R15 750 ngenyanga (R189 000 ngonyaka) 50% isaphulelo

**Onke amaXabiso eMirhumo AMISELWE NGANENO KO-0(ngeenjongo zeRHAFU YENTENGO)**

**Kwiimeko apho kukho ukungahambelani phakathi kweenguqulelo zesiNgesi, isiBhulu okanye isiXhosa, inguqulelo yesiNgesi iyakudlala indima ephambili.**

**MOSSEL BAY MUNICIPALITY****AMENDMENTS TO THE CUSTOMER CARE, CREDIT CONTROL, DEBT COLLECTION, INDIGENT AND TAMPERING POLICY**

**Whereas** section 98 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act No.32 of 2000) provides that a municipal council must adopt a Customer Care, Credit Control, Debt Collection, Indigent and Tampering Policy and By-laws to give effect to that policy, and its implementation and enforcement;

**And whereas** the Mossel Bay Municipality has published its revised Policy in the Provincial Gazette, 7313, dated 03 October 2014 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of the Mossel Bay Municipality has published its amendments to the Policy in the Provincial Gazette, 7460, dated 31 July 2015 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of the Mossel Bay Municipality has published its amendments to the Policy in the Extraordinary Provincial Gazette, 7644, dated 30 June 2016 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of the Mossel Bay Municipality has published its amendments to the Policy in the Provincial Gazette, 7786 dated 30 June 2017 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of the Mossel Bay Municipality has published its amendments to the Policy in the Extraordinary Provincial Gazette, 7949 dated 29 June 2018 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of the Mossel Bay Municipality has adopted the following amendments to the Policy on 30 May 2019, Resolution E97-05/2019;

**Now therefore the amendments to the Policy is hereby published in English for general information. The revised Customer Care, Credit Control, Debt Collection, Indigent and Tampering Policy will be made available upon request in Afrikaans and Xhosa. In the event of an inconsistency between the English, Afrikaans or Xhosa text, the English text shall prevail.**

**Aldus die wysigings tot die Beleid hiermee gepubliseer word in Engels vir algemene inligting. Die gewysigde Klientediens, Kredietbeheer, Skuldinvordering, Deernis en Peuterbeleid sal op aanvraag in Afrikaans en Xhosa beskikbaar gestel word. In die geval van 'n teenstrydigheid tussen die Engels, Afrikaans en Xhosa sal die Engelse teks aanvaar word.**



Izihlomelo ezenziwe kwimigaqo elawula indlela yokuphatha abantu, nowesibonelelo sabantu abangathathintweni, nowokulawulwa kwatyala, nowokuqokelelwa kwamatyala ipapashwa ngolwimi lwesiNgesi elubala. Xa ubani efuna inguqulelo yesiBhulu okanye eyesi Xhosa angayifumana ngokwenza isicelo eso. Ukuba kuthe kwakho imbambhano kwezilwimi xa kutolikwa lemigaqo, ulwimi lwesiNgesi luyakulandelwa.

Insertions are indicated in **bold** and underlined  
Deletions are indicated in [brackets]

#### Amendment of Section 5

1. Section 5 is hereby amended-

(a) By the insertion of the following definitions:

**“Dwelling” the portion of a building or structure on a property, where a household lives as a permanent resident, with authorized separate municipal services connections;**

**“Indigent level 2 households” means a household with a total monthly income of more than two times, but less than four times the monthly Government old age pension;**

**“Person with a disability” means someone who has a physical or mental impairment that has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on his or her ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities. This excludes caring facilities or old age homes.**

(b) By the amendment of the following definitions:

**“Households”** means all persons older than 18 years that **resides within a dwelling on** [occupies] a property within the jurisdiction of the Council regardless whether the person rents or owns the property.

**“Indigent level 1 households”** means a household [that complies with the following conditions]:

- [(a) the total municipal valuation, determined in terms of the Municipal Property Rates Acts, of a permanently occupied residential property, which does not exceed an amount as determined by Council, will automatically qualify as an indigent household; or]
- [(b) a household] with a total monthly income of not more than [twice (2 times)] **two times** the monthly Government old age pension;

- (c) By the deletion of the following definitions:

["**Poor households**" means a household which qualifies as a poor household on the following conditions:

- (a) total monthly household income must be more than twice (2x) the monthly Government old age pension and less than the amount determined by Council during approval of the annual budget;]

### **Amendment of Section 6**

2. Section 6 is hereby amended-

- (a) By the amendment of subsection 6.1(c) as follows:

- (c) To facilitate sufficient funds to give access to basic services for the **indigent households** [poor];

- (b) By the amendment of subsection 6.7(m) as follows:

- (m) When a client requests any changes to be performed on his premises like an amp change or building plan application, **consolidation** or sub-division of the site, or any other stage where a job-card must be created, the arrear amount on their account must be settled before the request can be honoured and the deposit to be adjusted in line with the amount determined by council for that specific year.

### **Amendment of Section 7**

3. Section 7 is hereby amended-

- (a) By the amendment of subsection 7.5(i) as follows:

- (i) In the case of holiday houses, [average consumption will not be levied monthly] a true reading must be obtained by the meter reader at least once a year if possible;

- (b) By the amendment of subsection 7.10.1(d) as follows:

- (d) Council will only allow a reduction up to the difference between the levied amount of the leakage and the recalculated amount calculated as follows:
- (i) The consumer's [last] **most recent fair** 6 months' average consumption calculated on the normal tariff tieears; plus
- (ii) The usage above the average consumption calculated on the highest tariff tear of his/her average consumption.

(c) By the amendment of subsection 7.10.2 as follows:

7.10.2 Leakages — Indigent **households or households housing a person with a disability** [consumers]

If the leakage is on the [indigent or poor household] consumer's side of the meter, the consumer will be responsible for the payment of all water supplied to the property. The [indigent or poor household] consumer has the responsibility to control and monitor his/her water consumption.

- (a) An [indigent or poor household] consumer may qualify for a reduction as determined by Council on his/her account in the event of a water leakage, if:
- (i) The [indigent or poor household] consumer submits a sworn affidavit by him/herself confirming the leakage was reported and repaired and that the reading has normalised;
  - (ii) The [indigent or poor household] consumer has not applied for discount on water leakages within the previous 12 months.
- (b) Council will only allow a reduction up to the difference between the levied amount of the leakage and the recalculated amount calculated as follows:
- (i) The consumer's **most recent fair** [last] 6 months' average consumption calculated on the normal tariff tiers; plus
  - (ii) The usage above the average consumption calculated on the highest tariff tier of his/her average consumption.

(d) By the amendment of subsection 7.14 as follows:

7.14 Process regarding **households housing a person with a disability** [disabled persons] or persons who are linked to a respirator or life supporting machine

- (a) All **limitation of services** [collection] actions can be suspended where needed with the Chief Financial Officer or his/her delegated officials consent;

(e) By the amendment of subsection 7.21(h) as follows:

- (h) a reduced burial fee, as determined by Council is charged for an indigent grave.

**In the case where a property owner is deceased, the authorised person(s) may give permission via an affidavit to the occupier of the property, to be responsible for all services and rates on the property. This occupier may apply for indigent or subsidy benefits. The account will stay in the name of the registered owner, but will be the responsibility of the authorised occupier.**

(f) By the amendment of subsection 7.22 as follows:

7.22 Tenant Accounts

A tenant account may be opened if:

- (a) a valid lease agreement / **affidavit from the registered owner** is provided;
- (b) all outstanding debt on the property must be paid in full;
- [(c) the owner is deceased and the property has not yet been transferred to the next of kin. (A letter of authority must however accompany the application);]
- [(d)] **(c)** the applicant does not have any debt on another property within the municipal boundaries;
- [(e) properties were automatically changed to indigent, due to the valuation being less than an amount, pre-determined by Council, the account will remain on the name of the owner and no tenant account can be opened.]

**Amendment of Section 8**

4. Section 8 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of subsection 8.1 as follows:

8.1 Application for Municipal Services

- (a) All consumers of services will be required to sign an agreement governing the supply and cost of Municipal services. Owners (with their written consent) may allow tenants to sign separate agreements with the Municipality, which the Municipality may at its own discretion accept or reject;

Consumers will be identified as permanent inhabitants if they occupy the property for at least nine months of a year. To be identified as such, a consumer **must** [has to] hand in a sworn affidavit signed by a Commissioner of Oath. The nine months will be from date of application for services in the case of a tenant with a lease agreement – this lease agreement must be for nine months going forward. If it is found that a sworn affidavit is false, a consumer will be put on the 2-part tariff and may not apply to be put on the 1-part tariff for the next year

(b) By the amendment of subsection 8.4(m) as follows:

(m) Commercial, Business and Industrial:

[(i)] **(ii)** Deposits for businesses **with connections bigger than 3-phase** will be levied according to twice the highest bill during the previous 12 months for similar businesses or the deposit as specified in the tariff list, whichever is the highest (Council Res. F190-7/2004);

[(ii)] **(i)** New connections **or service applications for consumers with connections up to 3-phase** [at new extensions of businesses] will be as specified in the tariff list for the current financial year.

**(iii)** **These deposits may be adjusted upwards at any stage to twice the highest bill during the previous 12 months or the deposit as specified in the tariff list, whichever is the highest (Council Res. F190-7/2004)**

**(iv)** **These deposits may be adjusted downwards on request by the consumer after his first 12 month's consumption are available, to twice the highest bill during the previous 12 months or the deposit as specified in the tariff list, whichever is the highest (Council Res. F190-07/2004). This change may only be requested once per financial year.**

(n) Payment of a deposit is not applicable to properties where the property has been identified as an Indigent household.

(o) **Indigent level 2** [Poor] households (subsidy) will pay a deposit as determined in the Tariff List.

(c) By the amendment of subsection 8.8 as follows:

(d) If no account has been received before the 10th of a month, a copy should be obtained from the Municipality. The account must at all times be produced **or proof of SMS received** when payments are done or enquiries are made. The request of copies of monthly accounts for a whole financial year, will be charge at the prescribed tariffs;

(e) An account rendered by the Municipality for services provided to a consumer shall be paid not later than the last date for payment specified in such account. [which date will not be more than 21 days after the date of the account;]

(h) The municipality **may** [will]:

(i) consolidate any separate accounts of a person(s) or entity liable for payments to the municipality;

(ii) Credit a payment by such a person against any account of that person; and

- (iii) Implement any of the debt collection and credit control measures provided for in this Policy in relation to any arrears on any of the accounts of such a person.
  - (iv) Section (i to iii) above does not apply where there is a dispute between the municipality and a person referred to in that subsection concerning any specific amount claimed by the municipality from that person.
- (d) By the amendment of subsection 8.9(b) as follows:
- (b) [Procedure to be followed.] In order for a dispute to be registered with the Municipality, the following procedures must be followed:
- (e) By the deletion of subsection 8.11(k) as follows:
- [(k) If water is already restricted, the restriction cannot be restored until the arrear debt is paid.]
- (f) By the amendment of subsection 8.18(a)(i) as follows:

#### **8.18 Rates**

- (a) Rates [(and other annual levies)]
  - (i) Where rates, [sanitation and availability fees (on vacant erven)] are paid on a monthly basis or annually, such payment must be made before the due date for payment. Failing this, interest at the standard rate of prima +1%, will be levied on the outstanding amount;

#### **Amendment of Section 9**

5. Section 9 is hereby amended-

- (a) By the amendment of Section 9.5 as follows:

##### **9.5 Arrangement Criteria for Residential Debtors**

All consumers who are in arrears and apply to make arrangements to reschedule their debt will, be obliged to make the following minimum payment requirements at the time of entering into such arrangement:

- current account, plus;
- an initial payment towards arrears with the minimum payment being 10% of the arrear amount and a monthly instalment which will liquidate the arrear amount plus accrued interest thereon within a period of [24] **12** months. **Extension of this term may be authorised by the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) or his/her delegate.**
- each following month the consumer will be required to pay;
- current account; plus
- an instalment as determined in (b) above.

In all cases, failure to respond to notices will result in normal credit control procedures and/or legal processes being followed.

**Amendment of Section 10**

6. Section 10 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of section 10's heading as follows:

**10. INDIGENT [AND POOR] HOUSEHOLD AND HOUSEHOLD HOUSING A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY MANAGEMENT POLICY**

(b) By the amendment of subsection 10.1(a) as follows:

(a) determine the criteria for qualification of indigent [and poor] households **and households housing a person with a disability**;

(c) By the amendment of subsection 10.2(b) as follows:

(b) All applicants [except households qualifying for an indigent subsidy, due to the valuation of the property being less than the amount determined by Council,] must complete an official application form, which is to be submitted together with the supporting documents as specified in this Policy;

(d) By the amendment of subsection 10.3 as follows:

10.3 Criteria for Indigent [or Poor] Households **or Households housing a person with a disability**.

10.3.1 Indigent **Level 1** [Income] Households

To qualify as an Indigent **Level 1** [Income] Household, a household must comply with the following criteria:

- (a) For an Indigent subsidy the verified gross monthly income of all occupants **of the dwelling** over 18 years of age may not exceed the sum of two times the amount of state funded social pension; and
- (b) The registered **household** [indigent] must be the full-time occupant of the property concerned **and may only own one property**.

10.3.2 Indigent **Level 1** [Valuation] Households **based on valuation**.

To qualify as an Indigent **Level 1** [Valuation] Household **based on valuation**, a household must comply with the following criteria:

10.3.3 **Indigent Level 2** [Poor] Households

To qualify as an **Indigent Level 2** [Poor] Household, a household must comply with the following criteria:

- (a) The verified gross monthly income of all occupants **of the dwelling** over 18 years of age may not exceed the sum of four times the amount of state funded social pension; and
  - (b) The registered poor household must be the full-time occupant of the property concerned **and may only own one property.**
- (e) By the insertion of a new subsection 10.3.4 as follows:

**10.3.4 Households housing a person with a disability**

**To qualify as an Household including a person with a disability, a household must comply with the following criteria:**

- (a) **The verified gross monthly income of all occupants of the dwelling over 18 years of age may not exceed the sum of four times the amount of state funded social pension; and**
  - (b) **The person with a disability must be registered as a person with a disability, diagnosed by a medical practitioner and must be a full-time occupant of the property concerned.**
- (f) By the amendment of subsection 10.4 as follows:

10.4 **The following** limitation of Usages for Indigent [Income] Households [and Poor Households] **may be applied where the Municipality believes that misuse or arrear debt occurs:**

- (a) Monthly consumption of electricity by the household **may** [will] be limited to 350kWh; and **/or**
- (b) Monthly consumption of water by the household **may** [will] be limited to 15kl.

- (g) By the renumbering of subsection [10.5] to **10.5.1** and insertion of a new **10.5.2** as follows:

**10.5.1** Application for Indigent [Income] Households [and Poor Households]

The account holder must apply in person at a customer care office of the Municipality on the prescribed application form. **In the case of a deceased owner's property, the person authorised by means of an authorisation letter from the court may himself/herself apply or authorise another occupant by means of a sworn affidavit to apply for this benefit.** The following items must accompany the application:

- (a) The latest municipal account of the household; **and**
- (b) Proof of the account holder's identity; **and**
- (c) Proof of income of the total household; **and**
- (d) Sworn affidavit.



### **10.5.2 Application for Households housing a person with a disability**

**The account holder must apply in person at a customer care office of the Municipality on the prescribed application form. The following items must accompany the application:**

- (a) The latest municipal account of the household; and**
- (b) Proof of the account holder's identity; and**
- (c) Proof of income of the total household; and**
- (d) Proof of registration as a person with a disability; and**
- (e) A medical certificate to confirm the client's health condition must be obtained at regular intervals to qualify for this support; and**
- (f) Sworn affidavit.**

(h) By the amendment of subsection 10.6 as follows:

10.6 If a sworn affidavit is false, the following will happen;

- (a) The [indigent or poor] household's benefit will be cancelled;
- (b) All previous discounts for the current financial will be reversed; and
- (c) The household may not apply to be registered as an indigent [or poor] household **or household housing a person with a disability** for the next year.

(i) By the amendment of subsection 10.7's heading as follows:

10.7 Local Audit (Verification) of Indigent [Income] Households [and Poor Households] **and households housing a person with a disability**

(j) By the amendment of subsection 10.9 as follows:

10.9 Rates and Services subsidies per Category:

10.9.1 Indigent **Level 1** [Income] Households

- (a) Water - 6 kl and basic charges per month
- (b) Electricity - 50 kWh and basic charges per month
- (c) Refuse removal – basic charges per month
- (d) Sanitation – basic charges per month
- (e) Property Rates – property rates on the valuation up to the amount as determined by Council [to qualify as an Indigent Valuation Household].

[10.9.2 Indigent Valuation Households]

- [(a) Water - 6 kl and basic charges per month]
- [(b) Electricity - 50 kWh and basic charges per month]
- [(c) Refuse removal – basic charges per month]
- [(d) Sanitation – basic charges per month]
- [(e) Property Rates – property rates on the valuation up to the amount as determined by Council to qualify as an Indigent Valuation Household].

[10.9.3] **10.9.2 Indigent Level 2** [Poor] Households

- (a) Water - 6 kl and 50% of basic charges per month
- (b) Electricity - 25 kWh and 50% of basic charges per month
- (c) Refuse removal – 50% of basic charges per month
- (d) Sanitation – 50% of basic charges per month

**10.9.3 Households housing a person with a disability**

- (a) Water - 6 kl and basic charges per month**
- (b) Electricity - 50 kWh and basic charges per month**
- (c) Refuse removal – basic charges per month**
- (d) Sanitation – basic charges per month**
- (e) Property Rates – property rates on the valuation up to the amount as determined by Council**

(k) By the amendment of subsection 10.10 as follows:

10.10 Other subsidies at Indigent [and Poor] households **and households housing a person with a disability**

(a) Water Leakages

Where water leakages occur at indigent [or poor] households **or households housing a person with a disability**, such leakages must be reported in accordance with the water leakage policy, after which the remaining debt may be written off and recovered from the equitable share grant, on condition that a water restrictor meter was installed.

(b) Fire Brigade Fees

(i) All fire brigade fees may be written off that was levied on indigent **level 1** [income] households **or households housing a person with a disability** and 50 % of [poor] **indigent level 2** households.

[(ii) In cases where the client is an indigent valuation household or poor household, an indigent audit must be performed to determine whether the client would have qualified as an indigent income household or poor household, before the debt will be presented to Council for write off.]

- (c) Blocked Drains and Sewerage
  - (i) All fees relating to blocked drains and sewerage may be written off that was levied on indigent **level 1** [income] households **or households housing a person with a disability** and 50 % **indigent level 2** of [poor] households.
  - [(ii) In cases where the client is an indigent valuation household or poor household, an indigent audit must be done to determine whether the client would have qualified as an indigent income household or poor household, before the debt will be presented to Council for write off.]

#### **Amendment of Section 11**

7. Section 11 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of subsection 11.1 as follows:

- (g) **Indigent** [Poor] household with no liquid assets (nulla bona) to cover the outstanding debt; or
- (l) If the debtor qualifies as an indigent [or poor] household **or household housing a person with a disability** and are receiving a subsidy;
- (n) Water leakages resulting in high water levies at registered indigent [or poor] households **or households housing a person with a disability**.
- (o) Fire brigade fees at registered indigent [or poor] households **or households housing a person with a disability**;
- (p) Blocked drains and sewerage at registered indigent [or poor] households **or households housing a person with a disability**.

#### **Amendment of Section 15**

8. Section 15 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of Section 15 as follows

This Policy will come into effect on 1 July [2018] **2019**

**Section 10.3.2 "Indigent Level 1 Households based on valuation" of this Policy will discontinue as from 1 November 2019.**

ADV M G GILIOME  
MUNICIPAL MANAGER

**MOSSEL BAY MUNICIPALITY****PROPERTY RATES POLICY**

**Whereas** Chapter 2 of the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004 (Act No. 6 of 2004) provides that a municipal council must adopt a Property Rates Policy and By-Laws to give effect to that policy, and its implementation and enforcement;

**And whereas** the Council of Mossel Bay Municipality has adopted a revised Property Rates Policy on 30 May 2016, Resolution E96-05/2016 and has published the policy in the Extraordinary Provincial Gazette, 7644, dated 30 June 2016 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of Mossel Bay Municipality has published its amendments to the policy in the Provincial Gazette, 7786, dated 30 June 2017 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of Mossel Bay Municipality has published its amendments to the policy in the Extraordinary Provincial Gazette, 7949, dated 29 June 2018 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of the Mossel Bay Municipality has adopted the following amendments to the Property Rates Policy on 30 May 2019, Resolution E97-05/2019;

**Now therefore the amendments to the Property Rates Policy is hereby published in English for general information. The revised Property Rates Policy will be made available upon request in Afrikaans and Xhosa. In the event of an inconsistency between the English, Afrikaans or Xhosa text, the English text shall prevail.**

**Aldus die wysigings tot die beleid hiermee gepubliseer word in Engels vir algemene inligting. Die hersiene Eiendomsbelasting beleid sal op aanvraag beskikbaar gestel word in Afrikaans en Xhosa. In die geval van 'n teenstrydigheid tussen die Engels, Afrikaans of Xhosa teks, sal die Engelse teks geldig wees.**

**Kungoko ke loMgaqo-Nqubo weRhafu upapashwa ngesi-Ngesi ukuze lwaziwe gabalala. Lo Mgaqo-Nkqubo weRhafu uyakufumaneka xa ucelwa nge-Afrikans nangesiXhosa. Xa kunokuthi kanti kukho ukungahlangani phakati kwesi-Ngesi, iAfrikaans okanye umbhalo wesiXhosa, umbhalo wesi-Ngesi uyakwakeleka.**

Insertions are indicated in **bold** and underlined

Deletions are indicated in [brackets]

ADV M G GILIOMEE  
MUNICIPAL MANAGER

#### Amendment of Section 4

1. Section 4 is hereby amended-
  - (a) By the amendment of Section 4.6 as follows:
    - 4.6 Differential rates applicable to Mossel Bay Municipality:
      - Agricultural Properties [(FAGR)] (**AGRI**)
      - Vacant Land. [(VRES or VBUS)] (**RESV or BUSV**)
      - **National Monument (NMON)**
  - (b) By the amendment of Section 4.7 as follows:

TARIFF TYPE	CATEGORY	RATIO	STRUCTURE
<b>RESIDENTIAL</b>	<b>RES</b>	<b>BASE TARIFF</b>	<b>100%</b>
Vacant Land - Residential	[VRES] <b>RESV</b>	Ratio to base tariff	[120%] <b>130%</b>
Business & Commercial	BUS	Ratio to base tariff	200%
Vacant Land - Business	[VBUS] <b>BUSV</b>	Ratio to base tariff	[220%] <b>240%</b>
Industrial	IND	Ratio to base tariff	200%
Mining	MIN	Ratio to base tariff	200%
Agricultural	[FAGR] <b>AGRI</b>	Ratio to base tariff	25%
Public Service Infrastructure	PSI / PSII	Ratio to base tariff	25%
Public Benefit Organisation	PBO	Ratio to base tariff	25%
Public Service Properties	PSP (GOV)	Ratio to base tariff	25%
Municipal	MUN	Ratio to base tariff	0%
<b><u>National Monuments</u></b>	<b>NMON</b>	<b>Ratio to base tariff</b>	<b>0%</b>
Protected Areas	PROT	Ratio to base tariff	0%
Place of Worship - Church	POWC	Ratio to base tariff	0%
Place of Worship - Parsonage	POWP	Ratio to base tariff	0%

#### Amendment of Section 5

2. Section 5 is hereby amended-
  - (a) By the amendment of subsection 5.1 by the deletion of 5.1.2 as follows:
 

[5.1.2 Private Owned Town (Vleesbaai) category no longer exists in the revised MPRA. All these properties were categorized as Residential from 1 July 2016. The rebate received by these owners will be phased out within 3 years. A rebate will be granted at an additional 25% discount on the residential tariff for this financial period.]
  - (b) By the renumbering subsequent subsections as follows:
    - 5.1.2** [5.1.3] Residential Vacant Land properties will not be granted any discounts or impermissible values.
    - 5.1.3** [5.1.4] Properties that are used as Accommodation Establishments (1 to 4 rental units) will be levied on the residential tariff.

- (c) By the amendment of subsection 5.4.2 as follows:

5.4.2 In terms of the MPRA, the definition of agricultural purpose excludes the use of a property for the purpose of eco-tourism or for the trading in or hunting of game. **For the purpose of defining “Trading in or hunting of game” the usage of a property for this purpose must be more than 50% of the total size.**

- (d) By the insertion of subsection **5.4.4** as follows:

**5.4.4 Bona fide farmers with certified proof can apply for a 15% rebate on property rates.**

- (e) By the insertion of subsection **5.7.11** as follows:

**5.7.11 Should a usufruct be registered on the property for the use of the property and the beneficiary resides on the premises, pension discount will be allowed with the submission of the usufruct document with the application for pension rebate on rates and sewerage.**

- (f) By the insertion of subsection **5.10** as follows:

**5.10 National Monuments (NMON)**

**Properties to which the provisions of the National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (Act No. 25 of 1999), apply or an institution that has been declared to be subject to the Cultural Institutions Act, 1998 (Act No. 119 of 1998).**

**Amendment of Section 11**

3. Section 11 is hereby amended-

- (a) By the amendment of Section 11 as follows:

**Software and System Details**

The municipality can will make use of an electronic Rates Clearance System. The system will provide a secure electronic link between the Conveyancing Attorneys and Municipality.

**Audit and Legislation Compliance Process**

All monies collected by the Municipality including in respect of Special Rating Areas (including City Improvement Districts) and any estimated amounts for the duration of the validation period of a certificate in terms of Section 118(1) (a) of the Systems or Section 89 of the Insolvency Act, (Act 24 of 1936), are for the purpose of Section 118 of the Systems Act, deemed to be due and must be paid in order to facilitate the transfer of immovable property:

**11.1 All rates clearance applications must contain at least one of the following contact options for the buyers:**

**11.1.1 The buyer's cell phone number;**

**11.1.2 The buyer's e-mail address;**

**11.1.3 The buyer's work and/or home address**

**All rates clearance applications must contain the correct postal address of the buyer. Should the application be incomplete, the application will be rejected by Council.**

- 11.2** [11.1] All amounts that are due, on date of application **for rates clearance**, must be paid in full prior to the issuing of any clearance certificate in terms of Section 118, of the Systems Act;
- 11.3** **Rates clearance figures will be calculated for the current month of application and 120 days in advance. This figure will contain rates, services, surcharges and any other amounts that may become payable or in arrears with regards to the development, subdivided erf or sectional title unit.**
- 11.4** [11.2] Developer's contributions will be due and payable before any rates clearance certificate is issued on new erven developments;
- [11.3] Pro-rata rates will be calculated by the Municipality ]
- 11.5** [11.4] All receipts of fees, advance rates and services will be allocated on the Seller's debtors account. These fees will first be allocated to any arrears, clearance fee and valuation certificate fee, before allocated as an advance.
- 11.6** [11.5] In the case of new sectional title developments payment of developer's contribution will be due before services will be connected;
- 11.7** [11.6] no interest shall be paid by the Municipality to the registered seller in respect of these payments which are deemed to be due; and
- 11.8** [11.7] Outstanding services of tenants may only be recovered for a maximum period of two years if a request is lodged for a Section 118 (3) of the Municipal Systems Act (32 of 2000) Clearance Certificate. If this is done the conveyancer, seller and buyer of the property must be informed that the remaining debt will remain on the property according to subsection 3.
- 11.9** [11.8] The clearance certificate will be valid for [120] **60** days;
- 11.10** [11.9] Extension on a clearance certificate will be granted, if all services are paid in advance for another [120] **60** days;
- 11.11** [11.10] Only electronic Rates Clearance Applications will be accepted.
- 11.12** [11.11] Attorneys should await figures with the unique deposit reference for developer's contributions before payments are made. Proof of payment of developer's contributions will be validated via the capital contribution schedule.
- 11.13** **Confirmation of registration must be captured by the Attorneys on the Rates Clearance System.**
- 11.14** **Pro-rata rates will be calculated by the Municipality**

#### **Amendment Section 12**

4. Section 12 is hereby amended

(a) By the insertion of subsection **12.2** as follows:

**12.2** **Refunds will only be processed on applications received through Rates Clearance System.**

(b) By the renumbering of subsequent subsections.

(c) By the amendment of subsection **12.5** [12.4] as follows:

**12.5** [12.4] Refunds will be processed when and if the transferring attorney's banking details on the creditor's form has been submitted, with a copy of the responsible person's ID document. **The attorneys must supply the Municipality with their contact person's e-mail address. Without the information no refund can be processed.**

(d) By the deletion of subsection [12.6] as follows:

[12.6 All attorneys must apply for refunds through the electronic rates clearance system.]

**Amendment of Section 18**

5. Section 18 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of the date as follows:

This policy will come into effect on 1 July **2019** [2018]

ADV. M G GILIOME  
MUNICIPAL MANAGER



## MOSSEL BAY MUNICIPALITY

### AMENDMENTS TO THE TARIFF POLICY

**Whereas** section 75 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act No.32 of 2000) provides that a municipal council must adopt a Tariff Policy and By-laws to give effect to that policy, and its implementation and enforcement;

**And whereas** the Mossel Bay Municipality has adopted a revised Tariff Policy on 29 May 2014, Resolution E58-05/2014 and has published the policy in the Provincial Gazette, 7313, dated 03 October 2014 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of the Mossel Bay Municipality has published its amendments to the Tariff Policy in the Provincial Gazette 7460, dated 31 July 2015 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of the Mossel Bay Municipality has published its amendments to the Tariff Policy in the Extraordinary Provincial Gazette 7644, dated 30 June 2016 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of the Mossel Bay Municipality has published its amendments to the Tariff Policy in the Provincial Gazette 7786, dated 30 June 2017 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of the Mossel Bay Municipality has published its amendments to the Tariff Policy in the Extraordinary Provincial Gazette, 7949, dated 29 June 2018 for general information;

**And whereas** the Council of the Mossel Bay Municipality has adopted the following amendments to the Tariff Policy on 30 May 2019, Resolution E97-05/2019;

**Now therefore the amendments to the Policy is hereby published in English for general information. The revised Tariff Policy will be made available upon request in Afrikaans and Xhosa. In the event of an inconsistency between the English, Afrikaans or Xhosa text, the English text shall prevail.**

**Aldus die wysigings tot die Beleid hiermee gepubliseer word in Engels vir algemene inligting. Die gewysigde Tarief Beleid sal op aanvraag in Afrikaans en Xhosa beskikbaar gestel word. In die geval van 'n teenstrydigheid tussen die Engels, Afrikaans en Xhosa sal die Engelse teks aanvaar word.**

Isihlomelo esenziwe kumgaqo wamaxabiso erhafu upapashwa ngolwimi lwesiNgesi elubala. Xa ubani efuna inguqulelo yesiBhulu okanye eyesi Xhosa angayifumana ngokwenza isicelo eso. Ukuba kuthe kwakho imbambhano kwezilwimi xa kutolikwa lemigaqo, ulwimi lwesiNgesi luyakulandelwa.

Insertions are indicated in **bold** and underlined

Deletions are indicated in [brackets]

## Amendment of Section 2

1. Section 2 is hereby amended-
  - (a) By the insertion of the following definitions as follows:

**“Dwelling” the portion of a building or structure on a property, where a household lives as a permanent resident, with authorised separate municipal services connections;**

**“Indigent level 2 household” means a household with a total monthly income of more than two times, but less than four times the monthly Government old age pension;**

**“Person with a disability” means someone who has a physical or mental impairment that has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on his or her ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities. This excludes caring facilities or old age homes.**

- (b) By the amendment of the following definitions:

**“Availability charges”** An availability charge for electricity, water and sewerage as determined from time to time by the Council shall be levied **and will be payable** on all properties **on a monthly basis**, except in cases where the site has been declared inhabitable by the municipality, with or without improvements, whether or not the property is connected to the electricity reticulation / water network / sewerage network systems of the Council. Such fee shall be levied only if;

**“Households”** all persons older than 18 years that **resides within a dwelling on** [occupies] a property within the jurisdiction of the Council regardless whether the person rents or owns the property;

**“Indigent level 1 household”** [Indigent Household] means a household [that complies with the following conditions]:

- (i) The total municipal valuation, determined in terms of the Municipal Property Rates Acts, of a permanently occupied residential property, which does not exceed an

- amount as determined by Council, will automatically qualify as an indigent household; or]
- [(ii) A household] with a total monthly income of not more than [twice] [(2 times)] **two times** the monthly Government old age pension;

(c) By the deletion of the following definitions:

["**Poor households**" A household qualify as a poor household on the following conditions:]

- [(a) Total monthly household income must be more than twice (2x) the monthly State old age pension, but less than four times (4x) the monthly State old age pension;]

### **Amendment of Section 3**

2. Section 3 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of subsection 3.1(d) as follows:

- (d) Tariffs should take [poor] **indigent** people and limited consumption into consideration

(b) By the amendment of subsection 3.3 as follows:

(c) [Poor] **Indigent** households have access to at least basic services through:

- (ii) Any other direct or indirect method of subsidisation of tariffs for **indigent** [poor] households;

(h) The extent of subsidisation of tariffs for [poor] **indigent** households and other categories of users are fully disclosed;

### **Amendment of Section 4**

3. Section 4 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of subsection 4.2 as follows:

It must be realised that no bailout will be provided if the budget is exceeded or if proper financial management controls are not established. Indigent members of the community have the right to have access to at least a minimum level of basic services. Therefore, there is a need to subsidise **indigent** [poor] households, who are unable to pay for full service costs.

(b) By the amendment of subsection 4.3 as follows:

Resources are scarce and must be used in the best possible way to reap the maximum benefit for the community. However, there are no mechanisms available to ensure the effective allocation of resources. It is therefore important that the community provide the necessary checks and balances. They can do this by participating in the budget process. Efficiencies in spending and resource allocation will ultimately increase the access of the **indigent households** [poor] to basic services.

### Amendment of Section 10

4. Section 10 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of Subsection 10.1 as follows:

#### 10.1 Minimum Amount of Basic Services Subsidised

Minimum amount of basic services must be subsidised to the [poor] **indigent** households

- (a) The Municipality subscribes to a policy that entitles [poor] **indigent** households [which includes indigent consumers] to a minimum amount of subsidised basic services. A basic service is a service that is necessary to ensure an acceptable and reasonable quality of life and, if not provided, would endanger public health or safety of the environment. This goal is achieved by providing a minimum amount of subsidised basic services to such consumers through its policy on indigence.
- (c) The subsidies are financed from the Equitable Share allocations by National Treasury in terms of which the Division of Revenue Act must be determined in such a way that the sustainability of the special fund, created for this purpose, be guaranteed. Council will strive to minimise the burden of shortfalls in subsidies **for** [in] **indigent** [poor] households. Any shortfalls can be subsidised by Rates and Service charges.

### Amendment of Section 13

5. Section 13 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of subsection 13.1(o) as follows:

- **New connections or service applications for consumers with connections up to 3-phase will be as specified in the tariff list for the current financial year.** [Deposits on businesses will be levied according to twice the highest bill during the previous 12 months.]
- **Deposits for businesses with connections bigger than 3-phase will be levied according to twice the highest bill during the previous 12 months for similar businesses or the deposit as specified in the tariff list, whichever is the highest (Council Res. F190-7/2004).** [New connections at new extensions of businesses will be as specified in the tariff list for the current year].
- **These deposits may be adjusted upwards at any stage to twice the highest bill during the previous 12 months or the deposit as specified in the tariff list, whichever is the highest (Council Res. F190-7/2004).**
- **These deposits may be adjusted downwards on request by the consumer after his first 12 months' consumption are available, to twice the highest bill during the previous 12 months or the deposit as specified in the tariff list, whichever is the**

**highest (Council Res. F190-7/2004). This change may only be requested once per financial year.**

(b) By the deletion of subsection 13.8(ix) as follows:

[13.8(ix) No decrease in deposit will be allowed on active accounts.]

#### **Amendment of Section 15**

6. Section 15 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of subsection 15.2 as follows:

15.2 Categories of Consumers and Charges

Provisions are made for the following categories of users:

- (a) **Consumers with connections up to 25mm**
- (iii) Flats and residential consumers with more than four consumers with one joint meter **or agricultural users which contributes to food security.**
- (c) Special Water Tariffs
- (i) Raw water;
- [(ii) Searles Slood;]
- (ii)**[(iii)] Buffalo Farming;
- [(iv) JB Hoovers;]
- [(v) Springerbaai;]
- [(vi) Vleesbaai;]
- (iii)** [(vii)] Sporting Bodies;
- (iv)** [(viii)] Supply of water from Reverse Osmoses Plant;
- (v)** [(ix)] Old age homes and retirement villages;
- (vi)** [(x)] Subsidised Crèches.

(b) By the amendment of 15.6.1(d)(i) as follows:

- (i) The consumer's **most recent fair** [last] 6 months' average consumption calculated on the normal tariff tier; plus

(c) By the amendment of 15.6.2 as follows:

15.6.2 Leakages — Indigent **households or households housing a person with a disability** [consumers]

If the leakage is on the [indigent or poor household] consumer's side of the meter, the consumer will be responsible for the payment of all water supplied to the property. The [indigent or poor household] consumer has the responsibility to control and monitor his/her water consumption.

- (a) An [indigent or poor household] consumer may qualify for a reduction as determined by Council on his/her account in the event of a water leakage, if:
  - (i) The [indigent or poor household] consumer submits a sworn affidavit by him/herself confirming the leakage was reported and repaired and that the reading has normalised;
  - (ii) The [indigent or poor household] consumer has not applied for discount on water leakages within the previous 12 months.
- (b) Council will only allow a reduction up to the difference between the levied amount of the leakage and the recalculated amount calculated as follows:
  - (i) The consumer's **most recent fair** [last] 6 months' average consumption calculated on the normal tariff tiers; plus
  - (ii) The usage above the average consumption calculated on the highest tariff tier of his/her average consumption.

#### **Amendment of Section 16**

7. Section 22 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of Section 16.1 as follows:

- (e) Tariffs are based on units of refuse removal. For house hold purposes [one unit is defined as two bags of] **a flat tariff is charged for** refuse removed once a week and for **bulk**/commercial purposes one unit is defined as one wheelie bin or five bags and the rate is determined by the number of removals per week.
- (g) Refuse removal at accommodation establishments (1 to 4 rental units) will be levied at [an amount calculated on a minimum of two units] **domestic tariffs.**
- (h) Refuse removal at accommodation establishments (5 or more rental units) will be levied at **bulk**/[an amount calculated on a minimum of three units] **business tariffs.**
- [(n) An additional service should be available upon special request for the removal of garden refuse. Spare capacity of vehicles and teams could be utilised for this purpose. Tariffs should be at such a level that total cost is recovered. Consumers should be encouraged to do their own removals. Contractors should pay a dumping fee.]
- (p) Public Benefit Organisations with frail care facilities may apply for a 50% rebate on bulk refuse removal.**

(b) By the amendment of subsection 16.2(b) as follows:

(b) **Bulk/Commercial Industrial**;

#### **Amendment of Section 17**

8. Section 17 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of Section 17.1 as follows:

17.1 General

[(a)] Tariffs will be revised annually during the budgetary process. Sewerage is levied **and payable on a monthly basis**. [annually and divided into twelve equal monthly instalments. On written request it can be paid annually by 30 September];

[(b)] [Where rates, sewerage and availability fees (on vacant erven) are paid on a monthly or annually basis, such payment must be made before the expiry date. Failing this, interest at the standard rate of prima +1%, will be levied on the outstanding payment.]

(b) By the amendment of subsection 17.4 as follows:

17.4 Discount to Pensioners

(a) Requirements

(i) occupy the property as his/her Primary Residence, and

(ii) be at least 60 years of age, or

(iii) has been declared medically unfit even if not yet 60 years of age, and

**(iv)** be in receipt of a gross monthly household income not exceeding the amount determined by Council during the Municipality's budget process.

[(iv)] **(v)** Not receive any other rebates like phasing out rebates on Vlees Bay.

[(v)] **(vi)** The applicant must be the registered owner of the property; and

#### **Amendment of Section 22**

9. Section 22 is hereby amended-

(a) By the amendment of Section 22 as follows:

This policy will come into effect on 1 July **2019** [2018]

ADV. M G GILIOMEE  
MUNICIPAL MANAGER