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BREEDE VALLEY

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Dear Honourable Minister Bredell

RE: SUBMISSION OF BREEDE VALLEY MUNICIPAILYT'S FINAL FIRST REVIEW OF ITS 5th GENERATION IDP (2022 – 2027) FOR THE 2023/2024 FINANCIAL PERIOD (HEREAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE 2023/2024 IDP)

In terms section 32 (1)(a) of the Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000 (hereafter referred to as the MSA), a Municipality must submit a copy of its Integrated Development Plan (IDP), as adopted by the Council of the Municipality, to the MEC for local government in the province within 10 days after the adoption or amendment of the plan.

Section 32 (1)(b) of the MSA, states that the Municipality must, as part of its submission of the plan, include a summary of the process encapsulated in section 29 (1) of the MSA coupled with a statement amplifying compliance with the process.

To give effect to these provisions, a summary of the key deliverables implemented throughout the review process, are depicted below:

- October 2022:
 - BVM proceeded with its first round of IDP engagements. The engagements served as point of departure for reviewing existing- and identifying new priority need areas per ward.
- March May 2023:
 - The Draft 2023/2024 IDP was submitted to- and adopted by Council on the 28th of March 2023 (Resolution C18/2023).
 - Subsequently, the Draft 2023/2024 IDP and all related documentation was published on our municipal website and social media platforms. In addition, the second round of IDP and Budget engagements were held throughout all 21 wards. The purpose of the engagements was to (amongst others) provide feedback to each ward on the implementation of approved ward priorities applicable in the current financial period (2022/23), and to provide preliminary feedback on the priority need areas identified during October 2022. In addition, a concise overview of the 2023/24 MTREF (budget) was provided; highlighting the key expenditure

categories and projects, the anticipated tariff increases as well as the anticipated impact on household accounts. Residents and stakeholders were encouraged to submit input and representations on these statutory documents (March – April 2023).

- Copies of the draft documentation were circulated to the District Municipality, Provincial- and National Government to solicit input and enable oversight over the municipal planning processes. This informed the Strategic Integrated Municipal Engagement (SIME) between BVM and relevant provincial departments. All inputs, recommendations and findings emanating from this and other engagements relating to the review and finalisation of BVM's 2023/2024 IDP, were duly considered and incorporated where possible (March – May 2023).
- The Final 2023/2024 IDP was submitted to- and adopted by Council on the 30th of May 2023 as depicted in the extracted Council Resolution below:

RESOLVED

That in respect of -

The Final 2023-2024 IDP, tabled before Council at the Council meeting held on 30 May 2023 with resolution number **C36/2023**:

1. That Council approves the Final 2023-2024 IDP and endorse that it be published in terms of section 21 of the MSA.

Notwithstanding this vote of confidence bestowed by Council, the following core principles will continuously guide our planning activities:

- Improving internal (horizontal) alignment between our sectoral planning framework and core strategic plan;
- Strengthening external (vertical) alignment between (amongst others) policy directives, best practices, strategic priority need areas and our core strategic plan; and
- Enhancing our engagement and collaboration with key stakeholders (public and private) and citizens.

In doing so, we seek to ensure that our strategic plan and the implementation, monitoring and review thereof, remains responsive to our core mandate and our pursuit to unlock greater value to all whom we serve throughout the Breede Valley Municipality.

On this premise, I, as the Accounting Officer, hereby confirm (as prescribed by section 32 (1)(b) of the MSA) that the process followed in the planning, reviewing, drafting and adoption of BVM's 2023/2024 IDP was undertaken in accordance with the approved 5th Generation IDP Process Plan and latest Time Schedule (depicting the schedule of key deadlines amongst others). The latter documents were adopted by Council in terms of section 28 of the MSA and section 21 of the Municipal Finance Management Act 56 of 2003 (MFMA) respectively.

Yours in Government,

DAVID McTHOMAS MUNICIPAL MANAGER