

SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT: APPROVED DEVIATIONS FOR JUNE 2017

(Directorate: Budget and Treasury)

1. STRATEGIC THRUST

To promote sound financial management and good governance.

2. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To report on the deviations approved by the accounting officer in terms of the council's supply chain policy for the month of June 2017

3. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Paragraph 36(2) of the council's supply chain management policy gives the accounting officer the responsibility to record and report all deviations approved as per sub paragraph 36(1) (a) and (b) of the SCM policy.

Regulation 36(1)(a) of the Municipal Supply Chain Management Regulations provide that the Accounting Officer may dispense with the normal procurement processes and procure the required goods or services through any convenient process, which may include direct negotiations, but only:

- a. in an emergency
- b. if goods or services are available from single supplier only;
- c. in respect of acquisitions of special works of art;
- d. in respect of acquisitions of animals for Zoo's
- e. In any other exceptional case where it is impossible or impractical to follow official procurement processes.

In terms of Regulation 36(1) (b) the Accounting Officer may ratify any minor breaches of the procurement processes by an official or a committee acting in terms of delegated powers, which are of a purely technical nature.

4. DISCUSSION

In terms of Regulations 6(1) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, the Council of a Municipality must maintain oversight over the implementation of its Supply Chain Management Policy. By virtue of Regulation 36(2), the Accounting Officer must record the reasons for any deviation, must report the deviations to the next meeting of the Council and must include them as notes in the annual financial statements. Regulation 6(4) further requires the Council to make this report public in the manner prescribed in section 21A of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act No 32 of 2000, for access thereof by the public.

Other service providers did not accept the Municipal Purchase orders citing unpaid invoices by the Municipality, the only option was to approach service providers who had machines readily available to help the Municipality in that regard as this was an exceptional circumstance.

The approved total number of deviations for the month of June 2017 is standing at five (5) amounting to R587 313.50 see the attached **annexure A** for detailed line items.

Below is the spending per directorate:

Technical & Infrastructure Services	R250 800.00
Corporate Support	R 3 200.00
Public Safety	R 79 868.00
Budget and Treasury	<u>R253 627.48</u>
	<u>R587 313.50</u>

5. LEGAL COMMENTS

6. CONCLUSION

Suitable Planning has to improve from the Directorates to avoid unnecessary deviations as this reflects unfavourably to the Municipality with regard to compliance with the SCM policy.

7. RECOMMENDED:

ACTION

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| 1. That the list of deviations approved by the accounting officer on grounds as specified on paragraph 36(1) a or b of the SCM Policy for the Month of June 2017 be noted. | All |
| 2. That the report be forwarded to the Provincial Treasury and National Treasury as per MFMA. | BTO |
| 3. That the Chief Financial Officer, in compliance with Regulation 6(4) makes this report public in the manner prescribed in Section 21(a) of the Local Government: Municipal System Act No 32 of 2000, for access by the public. | BTO |