

MEC MAILE RESCINDS SUSPENSION OF TWO DA COUNCILLORS

27 January 2020

MEC for Human Settlements, Urban Planning and CoGTA Lebogang Maile, has been engaged in a series of consultations with Senior Counsel, pertaining to a legal challenge brought by the governing - Democratic Alliance (DA) - in the City of Tshwane, emanating from a decision taken by Gauteng provincial government to suspend without pay the former Speaker of the City of Johannesburg, Cllr. Vasco Da Gama and current Speaker of the City of Tshwane Katlego Mathebe for periods of three (3) and six (6) months, respectively, for breaching the Code of Conduct for Councillors as embedded in Schedule 1 to the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act No. 32 of 2000.

In light of the advice received, MEC Maile has taken a decision to rescind the suspension of the two Councillors with immediate effect. Such a decision has been formally communicated to Cllrs Da Gama, Mathebe and their lawyers.

Without dealing with the merits or demerits of rescinding their suspensions, on Tuesday, 28 January 2020, a Media Briefing to be addressed by MEC Maile, will be held to elaborate further on this decision. The details of the Media Briefing are as follows:

DATE: Tuesday 28 January 2020

TIME: 12h00 (Midday)

VENUE: Gauteng Partnership Fund (GPF), 82 Greyston Drive, Sandton

Members of the media are hereby invited to attend and report. For RSVP: email: castro.ngobese@gauteng.gov.za / WhatsApp: 0608701806 or call: 0609977790

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