TALK ON PROPOSED CID EXPANSION

Tuesday 11 July 2023 18.00hrs





The Mossel Bay City Improvement District (CID) is hostingtheir annual AGM and a public participation meeting regarding the Proposed Enlargement of the CID area, in the Mossel Bay Town Hall on the 11 July 2023.

At this meeting reasons for the proposed enlargement of the CID will be discussed. The main reasons for the enlargement are to further strengthen and protect the entire Central Mossel Bay area, and not only a small portion, against urban decay and worsening crime rates, thereby protecting both the central business and residential areas, in order to preserve the area to attract economic development, particularly in the tourism industry.

The main aim is therefore to protect property values.

Concerns will be raised regarding the notice of the meeting, the directors assure that a thorough communication action plan to inform property owners was being developed.

We as Mossel Bay CID intending enlarging the current demarcated area to include the following

George Road – Two blocks of flats opposite the SAPS Police Station

GysSmalbergerup to and including Muir Street

Bland Street to Point Road

Church Street up to the Harbour Bridge

Huckle Street

Daley Street

The area on Point Road which includes the following

Point Village

The Point Hotel and surroundings

Frogrock

Point Terrace

The inclusion of Upper Cross, Montagu, High, Hill, Riley and Klipper Streets **which** will be part of our second phase, which will run in tandem with the first phase.

Important to note

The CID levy is not a municipal tax. It is a levy agreed to by citizens within the proposed geographical location, to spend as they see fit, to preserve their property values by supplying additional/top-up services. This levy is charged and collected via your municipal account, but is paid over directly to the CID.

The CID is a registered NPO, compliant with all relevant governance laws. In addition, it supplies monthly financial statements to the municipality and to the auditors, both which plays an oversight role, further ensuring good governance and protection of CID members' interests.

The CID is managed by a board of directors currently all on a voluntary basis. All property owners who pay the levy and have completed the CID membership application form have input in how the levies are spent. The proposed action plans by the board of directors are presented to members of the CID at the AGMs and are approved through the normal voting procedures.

The Mossel Bay CID five-year implementation plan is always available on thewebsite, www.mosselbaycid.co.za.

Other points

During the meeting, various other issues, including action plans regarding vagrants, and co-operative agreements with the Department of Social Development, The Haven and so forth will be discussed, which are aimed at minimising the influx of the homeless, and successful rehabilitation of such individuals.

We ask that you take an informed decision regarding the voting for, or against the proposed enlargement.

We strongly advised attendees to vote positively, given the excellent track record of the Mossel Bay CID, since its inception in 2012. The municipality welcomes public partnerships, focusing on safety as the cornerstone of economic growth in any area.

The Lower Town Neighbourhood Watch geographical area is the main affected area, and the Ward Councillor wholeheartedly supports the CID Enlargement Project.

The proposed cost for the 2023/2024 financial year has been established as R55 per month, per R1 000 000 municipal valuation of your residential property. This is an increase of R3 from 2022/23.

We are very sensitive to our people, as we know that making decisions which affect their finances are difficult. We do, however, urge you to make a well-informed decision. Do your own homework. Do not base your decision on hearsay or wild, uninformed comments of others, especially on social media platforms.

For more information, contact: Nathan Pillay (MBCID) - 083 307 0748 via Whatsapp.

Interested parties are invited and encouraged to reply with feedback to: nathan.s.pillay@gmail.com