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DEPARTMENT OF CO-OPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS

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DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002

AMENDMENT OF DIRECTIONS ISSUED IN TERMS OF  
SECTION 27(2) OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002  
(ACT NO. 57 OF 2002)

I, Dr Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, hereby, in terms of section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002), issue the directions in the schedule hereto, to address, prevent and combat the spread of COVID-19 in South Africa.

*NC Zuma*

DR NKOSAZANA DLAMINI ZUMA, MP  
MINISTER OF COOPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS

DATE: 06.05.2020

## SCHEDULE

### Definitions

1. In these directions, "the Directions" means the directions published by Government Notice No. 399 of 25 March 2020, as amended by Government Notice No. 432 of 30 March 2020.

### Amendment of the Directions

2. Direction 6.7 of the Directions is hereby amended, by the substitution with the following Direction:

#### **"6.7. Municipal operations and governance**

- 6.7.1 Municipalities and municipal entities are required to perform various legislated functions, including the adoption of integrated development plans (IDPs) and operations relating to municipal services and revenue collection.
- 6.7.2 When performing any essential municipal services, as permitted under Regulations published in Government Gazette No. 43258 of 29 April 2020, municipalities and municipal entities must ensure that there is strict adherence to all COVID-19 public health and containment prescripts, especially those relating to gatherings, physical distancing, health and safety.
- 6.7.3 All meetings of council, tribunals and entities, must be done using media platforms, such as teleconferencing and videoconferencing.
- 6.7.4 Furthermore, municipalities and municipal entities are directed to:
  - (a) Convene meetings of council and committees of council to consider:
    - (i) any council-related business, including the adoption of IDPs; and
    - (ii) matters relating to the provision of critical municipal services such as roads and storm water, electricity, municipal health services, municipal environmental services, and waste management services.

- (b) Ensure that the communities are consulted using media platforms and alternative methods of consultation, instead of contact meetings, to provide comments on the draft IDP and Budget.
- (c) Ensure that meetings of Development Tribunal and other structures performing similar quasi-judicial functions are held, only where necessary.
- (d) Operate the following revenue generating services:
  - (i) payment for licenses;
  - (ii) issuing of licenses of vehicles, renewal of drivers' licenses and roadworthy certificates;
  - (iii) municipal trading services, such as water and electricity, property rates, refuse removal, rental payments;
  - (iv) issuing of clearance certificates; and
  - (v) meter reading.
- (e) Undertake emergency procurement within the framework of the Disaster Management Act, 2002, all applicable COVID-19 Regulations, and the National Treasury Instruction No. 05 of 2020/21.
- (f) Report all procurement undertaken during the period of the national state of disaster to the first council meeting after the lapsing or the termination of the state of disaster."

### **3. Commencement date**

These directions will come into effect on the date of publication.