

PART 1 - ADJUSTMENT BUDGET

1. EXECUTIVE MAYOR'S REPORT

ADDRESS BY THE ACTING EXECUTIVE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MATLOSANA
CLLR F TAGGAREE AT THE TABLING OF THE 2019/20 SPECIAL COVID
ADJUSTMENT BUDGET DELIVERED VIA ZOOM ON 15 JUNE 2020.

Honourable Speaker, Cllr Washington Ntozini

Single Whip Cllr Vusi Chinga

MPAC Chairperson Cllr SPJ Bogatsu

Members of the Mayoral Committee

Fellow Councillors

Municipal Manager

Chief Financial Officer & All other Directors

Our Municipal Officials

Sector Departments

Leaders of political parties

Leaders of our Business Sector

Organised Labour

Religious leaders

NGO's & CBO's

Community members

Media houses present

Distinguished guests

Ladies and Gentlemen

Good Morning

Honourable Speaker allow, we gather here as councillors of Matlosana to execute one of the critical tasks entrusted upon us by our community.

Honourable Speaker, at the time of the approval of the 2020/21 MTREF Budget on 30 June 2020, the country were in the of the world wide COVID 19 epidemic. Subsequently the country started a period of lockdown on 26 March 2020. This had a devastating effect on the country as a whole and more particularly on the local community within the Matlosana municipal boundaries.

As a result of the Minister of Finance has tabled a special adjustment to the national budget, to prioritise COVID 19 programs and support to the people of the country. National Treasury have subsequently issued a circular to municipalities to advise them on how to deal with the devastating effect of the COVID 19 epidemic. Municipalities were allocated additional funding and was instructed to table a Special Adjustment Budget by no later than 30 September 2020 to make provision for COVID 19 related expenditure. The City of Matlosana

was awarded R 71.3 million additional funding from the Division of Revenue Act. Prioritising the provision of water and sanitation.

Therefore the budget have been adjusted to make provision for the R 71.3 million COVID 19 funding. R 20 million had been added to disaster management for protective equipment. R15 million was added for VIP toilets and R 10 million for health. Other capital projects will amount to R 206 million.

This, in short, highlights the main reasons for adjusting the 2020/21 MTREF budget. From this we must learn and adapt swiftly to the challenges that the virus have brought and realise the environment that we used to live in have changed for now.

Allow me Honourable Speaker to send words of gratitude to all councillors that have joined the virtual meeting today and officials for ensuring that this Tabling of Special Adjustment Budget becomes a success.

Thank you very much