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**MINUTES OF THE 229TH MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 23RD APRIL 2020
AT 10:00 AM**

PRESENT: His Excellency The Governor, Mr Timothy Foy, OBE

The Honourable Premier and Minister of Finance, Economic Development,
Commerce, Tourism and Information Technology, Mr Victor Banks

The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Perin Bradley

The Honourable Minister of Health and Social Development, Lands and Physical
Planning, Mr Evans Rogers

The Honourable Minister of Home Affairs and Education, Mrs Cora Richardson-
Hodge

The Honourable Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing,
Agriculture, Fisheries and Environment, Mr Curtis Richardson

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr Dwight Horsford

Clerk to Executive Council, Mrs Jewelle Fleming, MBE

IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Mr Cardigan Connor
Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA, Mrs Evalie Bradley
Financial Specialist, Mr Stephen Turnbull
PS, Health, Lands & Physical Planning, Mr Foster Rogers
Chief Medical Officer, Dr Aisha Andrewin
Chief Executive Officer, Health Authority of Anguilla, Mrs Maeza Demis-Adams
Head of Governor's Office, Mr Colin Hicks
Commissioner of Police, Mr Paul Morrison

EX MIN 20/177

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and
Financial Specialist remained.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 228th Meeting of Executive Council held on
Thursday 16 April 2020 and the Minutes of a Special Meeting held on Saturday
18 April 2020.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 20/178

ELECTION PETITION RULES, 2020 (DRAFT)

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

Following on from EX MIN 20/170 of 16 April, Council:

- (i) considered the Election Petition Rules, 2020;
- (ii) agreed that the document should be sited on the GoA's website; and
- (iii) agreed that it should be tabled at the meeting of the House of Assembly to be held on Tuesday 28 April for consideration.

Action: HON AG; PS, MHA/ED; CL, HOA; PC; SOE; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 20/179

EX MEM 20/92 BILL FOR THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF MINISTERS) ACT, 2020

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

Further to EX MIN 20/171 of 16 April, Council:

- (i) noted the revised Bill for the Executive Council (Increase in the number of Ministers) Act, 2020; and
- (ii) agreed that the Bill should be tabled at the meeting of the House of Assembly to be held on Tuesday 28 April for consideration.

Action: PS, MHA/ED; HON AG; PC; CL, HOA; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 20/180

EX MEM 20/96 REPEAL OF EMBARKATION TAX ACT, 2000 AND AIRLINE TICKET TAX ACT, 2010 AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PASSENGER SERVICE FEES AND CHARGES REGULATIONS AND AIRLINE TICKET FEES REGULATIONS UNDER THE SECTION 86 (3) 1 OF THE AASPA ACT

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

Council:

- (i) agreed that the Attorney General's Chambers should draft the necessary provisions to repeal:
 - (a) the Embarkation Tax Act 2000; and
 - (b) the Airline Ticket Tax Act 2010 both to occur effective 30 April 2020.

- (ii) authorised the Attorney General's Chambers to draft the necessary provisions to provide for Passenger Service Fees and Charges Regulations and Airline Ticket Fees Regulations in accordance with Section 86 (3) (1) of the AASPA Act, and to come into effect 1 May 2020.

Action: PS, FIN; HON AG; PC; PS, EDICTIT; PAS, FIN; CIR; CEO, AASPA;
ACC GEN

EX MIN 20/181

EX MEM 20/97 APPLICATION FOR ISSUE OF LICENCE UNDER THE ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATION ACT – REGISTRATION SECTION NORTH, BLOCK 59018 B, PARCELS 286 AND 287 CONTAINING 1.33 ACRES AND 0.32 OF AN ACRE RESPECTIVELY

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

Council agreed to issue an Aliens Land Holding Licence to hold vacant property situated in Registration Section North, Block 59018 B, described as Parcels 286 and 287 located at Shoal Bay, Anguilla for tourism purposes, subject to the following:

- (a) stamp duties payable are as follows:
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| (i) | under the Stamp Act – 5%
of EC\$981,193.00 | EC\$ 49,059.65 |
| (ii) | under the Aliens Land Holding
Regulation Act – 6.25%
of EC\$981,193.00 | EC\$ 61,324.57 |
| | TOTAL | <u>EC\$110,384.22</u> |
- (b) the construction of the villa be completed within thirty-six (36) months. If said development is not completed at the end of thirty-six (36) months, a charge of US\$3,500.00/EC\$9,408.70 per month being charged for each month the project remains uncompleted for up to a period of twenty-four (24) months. Thereafter, the commencement of forfeiture proceeding, immediately forthwith.

Action: PS, HLPP; DLS; PS, FIN

EX MIN 20/182

EX MEM 20/98 APPLICATION FOR ISSUE OF LICENCE UNDER THE ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATION ACT – REGISTRATION SECTION EAST END BLOCK 99516 B, PARCEL 112 CONTAINING 0.75 OF AN ACRE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

Council agreed to issue an Aliens Land Holding Licence to hold property situated in Registration Section East End, Block 99516 B, described as Parcel 112 located at Sile Bay, Anguilla for tourism purposes with a villa thereon better known as Moon Racker Villa, subject to the following:

(a) stamp duties payable are as follows:

(i)	under the Stamp Act – 5% of EC\$4,973,170.00	EC\$248,658.50
(ii)	under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 5% of EC\$4,973,170.00	<u>EC\$248,658.50</u>
	TOTAL	<u>EC\$497,317.00</u>

(b) with the expressed condition that the land is to be used for residential purposes and that the Licencee must not rent their dwelling house without first notifying the Ministry of Lands.

Action: PS, HLPP; DLS; PS, FIN

EX MIN 20/183

EX MEM 20/99 DISCONTINUANCE OF SECTION OF THE BLOWING POINT ROAD

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

Council:

- (i) agreed to the discontinuance of the 0.2 acre section of the Blowing Point public road as shown in Appendix 3 of EX MEM 20/99;
- (ii) agreed to the discontinuance of road under (i) above to be published in the official gazette; and
- (iii) agreed that the Ministry of Infrastructure acting through the Attorney General's Chambers should initiate and complete amendments to Section 22 of the Roads Act for the discontinuance and expressed extinction of the public's use right to any such of discontinued roads; and to make provisions therein for public road position relocation.

Action: PS, MICUHAFE; HON AG; PC; ROADS ENG; CHIEF ENG; PS, HLPP; DLS; HON MIN, MICUHAFE

EX MIN 20/184

COVID-19 UPDATE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained. The following persons joined:

PS, Health, Lands & Physical Planning, Mr Foster Rogers
 Chief Medical Officer, Dr Aisha Andrewin
 Chief Executive Officer, Health Authority of Anguilla, Mrs Maeza Demis-Adams
 Head of Governor's Office, Mr Colin Hicks
 Commissioner of Police, Mr Paul Morrison

Council noted that:

- (i) two test results for confirmation of recovery were pending;
- (ii) there was a sudden death of a 26 year old female in Anguilla, which occurred on the morning of Thursday 23 April 2020. Due to the urgent situation, samples were sent overseas to rule out COVID-19 in this investigation. A first test was to be done in Saint Maarten on Thursday 23 April and a further sample to be sent to the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) on Friday 24 April for testing; and
- (iii) following the results of these tests to rule out COVID-19 in this investigation, and the confirmation of the two pending recovery results, consideration would be given in subsequent meetings of Executive Council on the de-escalation of the current restrictions on movements and mass gatherings in a phased approach over the coming weeks.

Action: PS, HLPP; CMO; CEO, HAA
