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MINUTES OF THE 9^{TH} MEETING OF THE THIRTEENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 8^{TH} MAY 2025 AT 9.45 AM

PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms. Julia Crouch

Acting Premier and Minister of Finance, Labour, Immigration, Home Affairs and Constitutional Affairs AND Minister of Economic Development, Industry, Commerce, Lands, Planning, Water and Natural Resources, Mr. Kyle Hodge

The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr. Perin Bradley

The Honourable Minister of Health, Tourism and Sports, Mr. Cardigan Connor

The Honourable Minister of Economic Development, Industry, Commerce, Lands, Planning, Water and Natural Resources, Mr. Kyle Hodge

The Honourable Minister of Social Development, Education and Library, Youth & Culture AND Acting Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, IT and E-Government Services, Mrs. Shellya Rogers-Webster

Acting Attorney General, Mr. Ivor Greene

Clerk to Executive Council, Ms. Dumisa Webster

ABSENT: The Honourable Premier and Minister of Finance, Labour,

Immigration, Home Affairs and Constitutional Affairs, Mrs. Cora

Richardson-Hodge

The Honourable Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, IT and E-Government Services, Mr. Jose

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IN ATTENDANCE: The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Mr. Cordell Richardson

Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture, Mr. Jeison Bryan

Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Mr. Evans McNiel Rogers

Head of Governor's Office, Mr. Orlando Ames-Lewis

EX MIN 25/94 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

Council confirmed the minutes of the 8th Meeting of the Executive Council held on Friday, 2nd May 2025.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

None.

EX MIN 25/95

EX MEMO 25/76 Financial Stocktake- as at 31st March 2025

Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The following persons joined the meeting:

Marisa Harding- Hodge, Permanent Secretary, Finance

Ludiane Leveret- Richardson, Acting Principal Assistant Secretary, Finance

Rochelle Bryan, Budget Officer

Rukeya Jeffers, Finance Officer

Lonnie Hobson, Comptroller of Inland Revenue

Zuleka Fraser, Budget Director

Anthea Ipinson, Chief Project Officer

Remieko Richards, Debt Officer

The team from the Ministry of Finance provided Council with a presentation on the financial performance of the Government of

Anguilla up to 31st March 2025. The presentation highlighted the Revenue, Expenditure, Debt and Capital positions.

Revenue

The performance of Recurrent Revenue resulted in an overall positive variance of 1.35%. The actual recurrent revenue collected was \$150.07M as opposed to the estimate of \$148.07M.

Expenditure

The Recurrent Expenditure performed below estimate by 4.69%. The recurrent expenditure totalled \$70.10M when compared to the estimated amount of \$73.55M.

Debt

Debt experienced a decline of EC\$9.12M over that of \$332.14M at the end of 2024. The Central Government Debt experienced a decline of EC\$9.54M.

Capital

The capital expenditure was budgeted at \$EC191.00M for the 2025 fiscal year. At the end of March 2025, capital expenditure totalled \$13.05M.

Executive Council noted the fiscal performance of the Government of Anguilla as at 31st March 2025.

Action: PAS, FIN; PS, FIN; HON PREM; EXCO MEMBERS.

[Redacted Text]

EX MIN 25/97

EX MEMO 25/78 Acquisition of Services for Food Production Service Experts

Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The Honourable Minister briefed Council on the memorandum which seeks Council's approval for the Government to collaborate with the University of Florida to upskill and offer services to food production practitioners. This project will allow for scientists from the University of Florida along with extension specialists and agents to strengthen the service delivery of the Department of Natural Resources and empower local farmers. This will be achieved through training and offering advice on the areas most affecting Anguilla's food security.

Executive Council approved the implementation of the subject project through the acquisition of services and payment to the University of Florida in the sum of US\$119,939.

Action: PS, MEDICPNR; HON MIN, MEDICPNR.

EX MIN 25/98

EX MEMO 25/79 Application for Issue of Licence under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act- [Redacted Text] - Registration Section North, Block 58817 B, Parcels 98, 99, 100, 101, 103 and 104 being 0.50 ac, 0.50 ac, 0.50 ac, 0.57 ac, 0.75 ac and 0.75 ac respectively, a total of 3.75 aces located in Shoal Bay

Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The Honourable Minister briefed Council on the memorandum which seeks approval of a temporary waiver of penalties under the Aliens Land Holding Licence for a period of 12 months. It was highlighted that the owners of the project encountered a number of challenges which hindered completion of the project including the withdrawal of three owners and legal disputes. However, the two current partners have indicated that there is a potential sale of the land and the buyer has expressed their commitment to purchasing the property and completing the development. However, the seller requests that the waiver be granted ahead of the sale to incentivize the buyer to complete the purchase.

Executive Council:

- 1. Noted the change in ownership, legal disputes and other challenges associated with this property/development; and
- 2. Approved the waiver of the penalties to the applicants in the amount of US\$86,400.00/EC\$232,260.48 on the basis that a sale be executed within twelve months of this approval and that the licencee enter into a Supplementary Agreement for the respective properties. Failure to meet these conditions will result in the reinstatement of the full penalties accrued to date of completion or sale; and

3. Requested that the Department of Lands and Surveys submit a report on all Aliens Land Holding Licences in breach to Executive Council.

Council authorised issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the minutes.

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON MIN, MEDICPNR.
