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MINUTES OF THE 75TH MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2016

PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms Christina Scott

The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Perin Bradley

The Honourable Evans Rogers, Minister of Health and Social Development

The Honourable Cora Richardson-Hodge, Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Labour, Environment, Human Rights, Gender Affairs, Constitutional Affairs and Information and Broadcasting

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr John McKendrick QC

Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council

IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary

Mrs Evalie Bradley, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA

Mr Larry Franklin, PS, MICUHAFIT Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICTLP

Mr Leslie Hodge, DLS

ABSENT: The Honourable Victor Banks, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance,

Economic Development, Commerce, Tourism, Lands & Physical Planning

The Honourable Curtis Richardson, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, Agriculture and Fisheries and Information Technology

EX MIN 16/698 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary and Mrs Evalie Bradley, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA joined the Meeting.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 74th Meeting held on Thursday 10th November 2016 and the Minutes of a Special Meeting held on Friday 11th November 2016.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 16/699

EX MIN 16/697 EX MEM 16/446 DRAFT 2017 BUDGET AND FORWARD ESTIMATES (2018 – 2019) FOR NEW SPENDING AND SAVINGS OPTIONS FOR RECURRENT EXPENDITURE AND RECURRENT REVENUE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Further to EX MIN 16/697 of 11th November 2016, Council noted crucial updates from the Hon Deputy Governor and HE The Governor following further departmental discussions on the draft 2017 Budget. Council noted that during the next discussion of the Budget in Executive Council, stringent decisions had to be taken.

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; OTHER PERM SECS; PAS, FIN; DEP; BD; CPO; DM; CIR; ACC GEN

EX MIN 16/700

$\frac{\text{EX MEM 16/447 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR D\&L}}{\text{PLAZA}}$

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to D&L Plaza (c/o Lina Francillette) on the attached items in order to complete and open her business complex. Council noted that D&L Plaza would consist of a restaurant, supermarket, salon guest house and rental space and further, that more than US\$750,000.00 had already been spent on the project.

Council reiterated the urgent need to have a Duty Exemption Policy submitted to Executive Council for consideration. The Hon Deputy Governor undertook to discuss this with the Ministry of Finance.

Council further noted that the estimated duty loss to the GoA was marginally lower than the US\$152,824.00 indicated on the duty loss form because of the consumer items identified by the Customs Department.

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

Action: PS, FIN; PAS, FIN; COC; FO

EX MIN 16/701

EX MEM 16/448 APPLICATION FOR ISSUE OF LICENCE UNDER THE ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATION ACT – ALBERTO SERRA - REGISTRATION SECTION SOUTH EAST, BLOCK 79214 B, PARCEL 202, STRATA LOTS SL C3, CONTAINING 718 SQUARE FEET AND SL G9 CONTAINING 260 SQUARE FEET

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council agreed that an Aliens Land Holding Licence should be granted to Alberto Serra to hold property described as Registration Section South East, Block 79214 B, Parcel 202 Strata Lot SL C3, containing 718 sq. ft. and SL G9 containing 260 sq. ft. located at Sandy Hill, Anguilla for residential purposes with intent to rent, subject to the following:-

(a) Payment of the following Stamp Duties:

(i) under the Stamp Act – 5% of EC\$349,466.00

EC\$17,473.30

(ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 12.5% of EC\$ 349,466.00

EC\$43,683.25

TOTAL

EC\$61,156.55

(b) Sandy Hill Beach Resort Club Development should be the exclusive renting agent for the villa;

- (c) the Licensee should be required to enter into an agreement with Sandy Hill Beach Resort Club Development for the management and use of the villa for at least forty-four (44) weeks in each calendar year; and
- (d) the Licensee shall have the right to reside in the villa for a maximum of eight (8) weeks in each calendar year without being liable for the payment of accommodation tax. However, if the applicant wishes to live in the villa for a period longer than eight (8) weeks, then the applicant should be required to pay the accommodation tax.

Council authorised the issue of the action before confirmation of the Minutes.

Action: PS, EDICTLP; DLS; PS, FIN

EX MIN 16/702 **EX MEM 16/449 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MR A**

[note on publication: name redacted to protect personal health information]

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council agreed that Mr A, who is employed by the Anguilla Public Service should be paid his deferred salary in the sum of EC\$48,750.71 to assist him with costs associated with his medical condition.

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

Action: DIR, INF & BROAD; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; ACC GEN

EX MIN 16/703 EX MEM 16/450 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – PC B

[note on publication: name redacted to protect personal health information]

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council agreed that PC B, who is employed as a Police Constable in the Royal Anguilla Police Force should be paid her deferred salary in the sum of EC\$17,849.10 to assist her with costs associated with her medical condition.

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

Action: COP; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; ACC GEN

EX MIN 16/704 <u>EX MEM 16/451 ACQUISITION OF AN AERODROME RESCUE AND</u> FIREFIGHTING SERVICE (RFFS) VEHICLE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance. Mr Larry Franklin, PS, MICUHAFIT joined the Meeting.

Council:-

- (i) supported the purchase of aerodrome RFFS vehicle(s) and associated aircraft rescue and firefighting equipment for the Clayton J. Lloyd International Airport;
- (ii) agreed that a proposal should be submitted to the UKG for financial assistance for the completion of the Fire Station and the Air Traffic Control and for the provision of suitable vehicles and equipment for the delivery of the air traffic services and the rescue and fire services, so that the RFFS provider and the Air Traffic Control service can confidently meet the regulatory requirements for their services. This would be in keeping with the UKG's responsibility as the administering power for the safety and security of Anguilla as an Overseas Territory of the UK; and
- (iii) requested the relevant procurement committee to proceed with the most appropriate procurement method for the acquisition of RFFS vehicle(s).

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

Action: PS, MICUHAFIT; HE; CHIEF PROC OFF; PAS, FIN; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD; CPO; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 16/706 EX MEM 16/453 FILLING OF THE SENIOR PROBATION OFFICER POST DUE TO EXPIRATION OF CONTRACT

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) noted that the post of Senior Probation Officer-Adult in the Department of Probation would become vacant due to the expiration of the incumbent's contract;
- (ii) noted that the views of the Permanent Secretaries had been sought in relation to the filling of the post and a favourable response given;
- (iii) additionally noted that budgetary provisions had already been made for the post; and
- (iv) agreed that the post of Senior Probation Officer-Adult in the Department of Probation should be filled.

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

Action: PS, HSD; CPO; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD; ACC GEN

ORAL MENTION

EX MIN 16/707 **OVERSEAS TRAVEL**

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council was informed of the following dates of travel:-

1) HE The Governor - Saturday 19th – Saturday 26th November 2016 – annual leave

2) Hon Min. of Social Dev. - Thursday 24th – Monday 28th November 2016 – leave

Action: EXCO MEMBERS
