

THABAZIMBI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

SETTING THE SCENE AND POLITICAL OVERVIEW BY TLM MAYOR, CLLR JUDITH MOTSEI MOGAPI DURING THE STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION 2024

DATE : 04 MARCH 2024

VENUE : ZEBULA GOLF ESTATE & SPA

TIME : 09:00

Program Facilitators,

Fellow Councillors

Municipal Manager and all Management Team

Representative from Waterberg District Municipality

Chairpersons of Audit and Risk Committees

Officials from Coghsta

Provincial Treasury

Stats SA

Road Agency Limpopo,

SAPS

Magalies Water

SALGA

LEDET

Waterberg Tourism Association,

Department of Water and Sanitation,

Our organised Labour Unions

All stakeholders present

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Good morning!!!! Dumelang!!!!

As we gather here today for our strategic planning session, I am filled with a sense of optimism and determination for the future of our beloved Thabazimbi Local Municipality.

Before we look into the details of our agenda, allow me to set the scene and provide a political overview of the current landscape within our municipality. In recent year or two, we have witnessed both triumphs and trials that have shaped the socio-political challenges of our community. Even today, as we are seated here, some of our councillors are not with us due to reasons known to them.

Despite facing formidable challenges, we have remained steadfast in our commitment to serving the needs of our residents and fostering an environment of progress and prosperity.

As we gather here today, it is imperative that we acknowledge the dynamic nature of the political environment in which we operate. We must recognize the various stakeholders involved, including our elected officials, community leaders, civil society organizations, and most importantly, the citizens whose interests we are sworn to represent.

In navigating the complexities of governance, we must be guided by principles of integrity, accountability, and responsiveness. Our decisions and actions must be driven by a genuine desire to uplift the lives of all our constituents, particularly those who are most marginalized and vulnerable.

Furthermore, we must be mindful of the broader socio-economic trends and geopolitical factors that influence our municipality's trajectory. By staying attuned to these external dynamics, we can adapt our strategies and policies to effectively address emerging challenges and capitalize on new opportunities.

As we embark on this strategic planning journey, let us embrace a spirit of collaboration, innovation, and inclusivity. Let us draw upon the collective wisdom and expertise of all stakeholders-from government officials to business leaders, from educators to environmental advocates.

Together, we have the power to effect meaningful change and build a brighter future for generations to come.

Together, we have the opportunity to shape the destiny of Thabazimbi, to realize its full potential as a beacon of hope and opportunity for all who call it home.

I Thank you.