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TO

The Speaker, Cllr Q Smit [Chairperson]
The Executive Mayor, Ald JS Fasser
The Deputy Executive Mayor, Cllr BR Buys
The Council Whip, Cllr P Crawley

COUNCILLORS

RA Adams	XL Mdemka
J Andrews	L Nkamisa
Ald JC Anthony	N Olayi
MM Danana	GA Petersen
R Du Toit	RO Pheiffer
A Ferns	WF Pietersen
AJ Hanekom	M Slabbert
SC Heneke	Ald JP Serdyn
J Joon	SR Schäfer
TO Kumm	A Tomose
JC Macfarlane	RB Van Rooyen
N Mananga-Gugushe	M Van Stade
C Manuel	E Vermeulen
EP Masimini	J Williams

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OFFICIALS

Municipal Manager (G Mettler)
Chief Financial Officer (K Carolus)
Director: Community and Protection Services (G Boshoff)
Director: Infrastructure (S Chandaka)
Director: Planning and Economic Development (A Barnes)
Acting Director: Corporate Services (Dr. L Kaywood)
Chief Audit Executive (L Mvandedwa)
Manager: Secretariat/Committee Services (M Julius)
Senior Administration Officer (T Samuels)

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1.	**OPENING AND WELCOME**

The Speaker, Cllr Q Smit welcomed all present at the Special Council meeting.

2. COMMUNICATION BY THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR

NONE

3. COMMUNICATION BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker expressed his appreciation to the representatives of the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) for taking the time to attend the Special Council meeting, despite their busy schedules.

4. COMMUNICATION BY THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER

The Municipal Manager, Ms G Mettler introduced the newly appointed Manager: Secretariat/Committee Services, Ms Monique Julius, to Council. She welcomed Ms Julius to Stellenbosch Municipality and wished her well in her new role. The Municipal Manager noted that the position had been vacant for a considerable period and remarked that, fittingly during Women's Month, a woman had been appointed to the post. The Speaker welcomed Ms Julius to Stellenbosch Municipality and expressed his appreciation for her appointment. He noted that he works closely with Committee Services and looked forward to working with her in her new role.

5. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

NONE

6. APPLICATION FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

6.1 The following applications for leave of absence were approved in terms of the Rules of Order By-Law of Council:-

Cllr R Cupido	-	5 August 2026
Cllr E Groenewald	-	5 August 2026
Cllr RB Hendrikse	-	5 August 2026
Cllr O Jooste	-	5 August 2026
Cllr NE Mcombring	-	5 August 2026
Cllr Mkhontwana	-	5 August 2026
Cllr M Nkopane	-	5 August 2026
Cllr N Ntsunguzi	-	5 August 2026
Cllr WC Petersen	-	5 August 2026

6.2 <u>ABSENT</u>

Cllr JA Davids	-	5 August 2026
Cllr I De Taillerfer	-	5 August 2026
Cllr NR Ndalasi	-	5 August 2026
Cllr MG Rataza	-	5 August 2026

7.	STATUTORY MATTERS

NONE

8.	REPORTS BY THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER

8.1	ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE MAYOR

Collaborator No:
IDP KPA Ref No: Good governance and compliance
Meeting Date: Special Council: 5 August 2026

1. SUBJECT: ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE MAYOR

2. PURPOSE

To elect a Deputy Executive Mayor following the resignation of Councillor Mynard Slabbert on 30 May 2026.

3. DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Council.

4. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Cllr Mynard Slabbert resigned as Deputy Executive Mayor with effect from 30 May 2026 creating a vacancy in that office. Attached as **APPENDIX 1** is the confirmation of the Deputy Executive Mayor's resignation from office, as received from the Office of the Speaker.

In order to ensure compliance with the provisions of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, 1998 (Act 117 of 1998), Council is required to elect a new Deputy Executive Mayor to fill the vacancy. In terms of section 55(1)(c) of the Municipal Structures Act, 117 of 1998, read with section 60(2) thereof, the position of Deputy Executive Mayor may be filled at any time by election among the members of the Council. The procedures set out in Schedule 3 of the Municipal Structures Act apply to the election.

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The Speaker called for nominations for the office of Deputy Executive Mayor.

Only one (1), duly signed nomination was received for Cllr BR Buys.

Schedule 3 of the Municipal Structures Act, (the ***Election of municipal office-bearers)*** reads as follows:

Single candidate

5. If only one candidate is nominated, the person presiding must declare that candidate elected.

RESOLVED (nem con)

The Speaker then **DECLARED**

Councillor BR Buys as duly elected Deputy Executive Mayor of Stellenbosch Municipality.

The Speaker congratulated Councillor BR Buys on his election as Deputy Executive Mayor.

8.1.1.	**ACCEPTANCE SPEECH BY THE NEWLY ELECTED DEPUTY EXECUTIVE MAYOR, CLLR BR BUYS**

"Honourable Speaker,
Executive Mayor,
Chief Whip,
Councillors,
Our Municipal Manager,
All staff present,
Our IEC officials, and
the people in the gallery.

Thank you for being here.

Allow me, Speaker, to express my appreciation to be given this assignment to serve our town and all its people. To hold the confidence of the public and the Council, is an extraordinary privilege and deeply humbling. I pray and mean to honour that trust with earnest and dedicated work.

Honourable Speaker, our Honourable Mayor, allow me to briefly say that I am thoroughly committed to serve our Stellenbosch and to serve each and every one of our communities, all of them, and all of the diversity. I consider the work we do together as more than a mission. I consider it a cause, a cause for change that brings a greater Stellenbosch to everyone, Mayor. It is not about us, it has never been about us. It's about our people and a future for our town that is good and just and proud. I submit, Speaker.

Thank you."

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REPORT DATE	***30 July 2026***

9.	URGENT MATTERS SUBMITTED BY THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER

NONE

10.	MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN–COMMITTEE

NONE

The meeting adjourned at 10:15.

CHAIRPERSON: ……

DATE: ……

Confirmed on ……..**with/without amendments.**