

MEDIA STATEMENT

DATE: 06 MARCH 2020

ATTENTION: GAUTENG MEDIA

PUBLIC CONSULTATION SESSIONS ON DRAFT ELECTORAL WARDS COMMENCES IN GAUTENG

The public consultation sessions on the draft electoral wards will commence on the 12th March 2020 in Gauteng Province. Wards are delimited in all metropolitan and local municipalities to lay a foundation for the delivery of free and fair local government elections (LGE) in 2021.

ROADMAP OF THE WARD DELIMITATION PROCESS

Subsequent to the public consultation sessions, the MDB will consider all public proposals received and delimit wards. The wards will be published in provincial gazettes for objections by May 2020. Any aggrieved person will have 14 days to object.

The MDB will consider all objections, and publish its final decisions in provincial gazettes by July 2020. The MDB will then handover the final ward boundaries to the IEC in August 2020 to start preparing for the 2021 local elections.

We encourage citizens to seize this opportunity to express their views on how their wards should be configured. Communities and municipalities are encouraged to consult among themselves and reach a consensus. Their proposal should be aligned to the criteria for ward delimitation. They can then present their proposal when the MDB meets with them, however they can still do so in writing after the sessions by not later than 30 April 2020.

All the sessions will commence at 09:00:

GAUTENG SCHEDULE:

MUNICIPALITY	DATE	VENUE
Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality	12 March 2020	Alberton Civic Centre, 56 Voortrekker Road, Alberton
City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality	17 March 2020	New Council Chambers, Metro Centre, 158 Civic Boulevard, Braamfontein

MUNICIPALITY	DATE	VENUE
City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality	18 March 2020	Sammy Marks Council Chamber, 314 Helen Joseph Street, Office No. 1006, 1st Floor, Pretoria
Emfuleni Local Municipality	19 March 2020	Saul Tsotetsi Sports Complex, Sebokeng
Midvaal Local Municipality	24 March 2020	Meyerton Town Hall, 25 Kruger Streets, Meyerton
Lesedi Local Municipality	25 March 2020	Heidelberg Town Hall, Cnr HF Verwoerd & Louw Streets, Heidelberg
Mogale City Local Municipality	26 March 2020	Centenary Hall, 8 Eloff Street, Krugersdorp
Merafong City Local Municipality	30 March 2020	Carltonville Civic Centre, 33 Beryl Street, Carletonville
Rand West Local Municipality	31 March 2020	Banquet Hall, Westonaria

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MDB is South Africa's municipal demarcation authority, whose mission is to create spatial conditions for sustainable development and transformation of local communities through municipal and ward boundary demarcation: provide advisory services, and serve as a knowledge hub for stakeholders to promote socio-economic development, democratic participation, equality and access to services.

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