



**STATEMENT BY HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR,
CLLR TREVINO FORBES,**

AT THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING,

08 JUNE 2022, 18:00

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

WALVIS BAY

Honorable Regional Councilors

Fellow Honorable Councillors

Mr. David Uushona, Acting Chief Executive
Officer of the Municipality of Walvis Bay

Members of Management and staff of the
Municipality of Walvis Bay

Members of the Media

Ladies and Gentlemen

Good evening

House allocation

After my press release on 3 June 2022, Councilors have been receiving numerous calls and text messages inquiring about the sale of houses under the Massive Urban Land Serving Program. I would like to take this opportunity to clarify this process.

Firstly, coming into office we had to amend the land sale policy to specifically give opportunities to first time property owners and residents of Walvis Bay. I would like to add that only those currently on the list will be considered as an applicant.

On 30 March 2022 we received a response from MURD, stating that the houses be sold as follows:

- Allocation and sale on a first come first served basis
- The beneficiaries must be selected from the combined Walvis Bay Municipality and National Housing Enterprise waiting list as reconciled during 2016 and;
- Only Walvis Bay Municipality employees who are on the waiting lists, qualifying and may be allocated an erf and / or house constructed thereon under the MULSP initiative when it is their legitimate turn in the order of the waiting list.

The following is the latest status of the allocated houses;

- Declined Client/own houses - 32
- Pending (still busy with interviews) - 15
- Approved (ready for signing) - 21
- Duplicates - 2

The committee thus needs to re-allocate 34 houses to qualifying clients on the waiting list. The above information was forwarded to the Massive Urban Land Servicing Housing committee for their further attention.

World Ocean Day

This week, Walvis Bay will be vibrant with activities leading up to the official celebration for World Ocean Day on the 10th of June 2022 in Walvis Bay where we will be honoured to have the president of the country, HE Dr Hage Geingob as the guest of honour.

Leading up to 10th of June, there will be different activities such as:

- Beach cleaning exercise at all the coastal towns and the one for Walvis Bay took place this afternoon at Kuisebmond beach
- A School debate competition which will start on the 9th until the 11th of June

where the winning debating team will be selected.

- Career fair on the 10th,
- Exhibitions on activities related to the ocean
- Cooking competition on seafood.
- Street parade on the 11th of June 2022

I would like to personally invite all the residents of Walvis Bay to come and celebrate this day together as well as the rest of Namibia.

I thank you