



CITY OF HARARE

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ABOVE COMMITTEE HELD IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HOUSE ON WEDNESDAY, 4th JUNE 2025 AT 10:47
AM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors: T. Utete (Chairperson)
M. Chinyerere (Vice Chairperson)
S. Chuma
Z. Duri
A. Munamba

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillor: C.R. Chimbiri

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Eng. I.Z.Chawatama	: Acting Town Clerk
W.S. Chiwawa	: Acting Chamber Secretary
Eng. K. Mapunzamoyo	: Acting Director of Work
G. Kusangaya	: Acting Finance Director
N. Mukombeza	: Acting Human Capital Director
L. Chipfunde	: Acting Town Clerk's Office (City Environmental Management Unit)
P. Mukudu	: Department of Works
K. Mapunzamoyo	: Department of Works
D. Njanina	: Chamber Secretary's Department (Committees Manager)
C. Banga	: Chamber Secretary's Department
H. Mufema	: Chamber Secretary's Department
G. Mutenure	: Chamber Secretary's Department
B. Mukumba	: Chamber Secretary's Department (Intern)
V. Ngwarati	: Acting Town Clerk's Office (EMS)

RECOMMENDATIONS : 2

RESOLUTIONS : 1

REPORTERS AND MOVERS: Councillors: T. Utete, M. Chinyerere

1. PRAYERS (1)

The opening and closing prayers were led by Councillor S. Chuma.

2. ASSISTANCE IN INTERVENTION ON WASTE MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS.

On 10th April 2025, this Committee (Item 9) resolved-

- (1) That Council notes the status of assistance in intervention on waste management operations as outlined in the confidential report (17th March 2025), by the Director of Works.*
- (2) That Council notes the concerns raised by this Committee which are outlined in the preamble above.*
- (3) That in view of the concerns referred to in recommendation (1) above, Council should not accede to the Contract for Refuse Removal Service that was signed on 25th November 2024 between the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works, City of Harare and Geopomona Waste Management (Private) Limited and the transfer of employees until the concerns or comments outlined in the preamble above are addressed and reported to Council.*
- (4) That the Acting Town Clerk be authorised to organize a forum whereat the concerns referred to in recommendation (2) above, will be clarified and addressed.*
- (5) That Council notes its resolutions recorded under Item 9 (Environmental Management Committee Minutes dated 25th September 2024 – Item 5) and (Item 7) (Environmental Management Committee Minutes dated 20th November 2024 – Item 7) outlined in the preamble above not acceding to the Contract.”*

On 6th May 2025, Council (Item) referred back the matter to this Committee for further consideration.

On 14th May 2025, this Committee (Item 4) resolved-

- (1) That decision on the report (17th March 2025) by the Director of Works wherein he recommended inter-alia adoption of the contract for Refuse Removal service that was signed on 25th November 2024 between the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works, City of Harare and Geo-pomona Waste Management (Private) Limited be deferred to the following week where the contract will be analyzed clause by clause.*

(2) That the Acting Chamber Secretary organises a workshop where the Committee will be taken through the contract which agreement was signed between the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works (Contracting Party), City of Harare (Client) and Geo-pomona Waste Management (Private) Limited (Contractor) on a clause by clause basis."

On 21st May 2025, this Committee (Item 3) resolved-

- (1) That the Committee hereby defers decision on the proposal to note the status of assistance in interventions in Waste Management by the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works and adoption of the Contract for Refuse Removal Service which was signed on 25th November 2024 between the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works, City of Harare and Geopomona waste management (Private) Limited and that the matter be and is hereby referred to a Special meeting of Council for consideration.*
- (2) That the Acting Town Clerk and Acting Chamber Secretary organize a workshop for this Committee on the Geopomona Waste Management matter as outlined in the preamble above.*

The Committee now considered a confidential report (17th March 2025, circulated with the Supplementary Agenda) by the Director of Works recommending inter – alia the adoption of the contract for refuse removal service that was signed on 25th November 2024 between the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works, City of Harare and Geopomona Waste Management (Private) Limited.

The Director of Works reported that a contract was signed between the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works (Contracting Party), City of Harare (Client) and Geopomona Waste Management (Private) Limited (Contractor) in terms of which the Contracting Party took over the responsibility to ensure efficient and sustainable waste collection, removal and street cleaning services in City of Harare. The Contractor shared a programme of works that highlighted the activities to be done in line with the scope of works. During Operation Chenesa Harare 3 launch on 3rd February 2025 in Glen View Geo Pomona Waste Management Private Limited announced commencement of dumps clearance activities in all five (5) regions on 10th February 2025.

He further reported that the Contractor was clearing refuse dumps with forty (40) tipper trucks, five (5) Front -End Loaders and five (5) Excavators across all five (5) regions of Harare. Specific areas In the five (5) regions where dumps had been cleared included Mbare, Sunningdale, Acadia, Waterfalls, Glen Norah, Highfield, Budlrlro, Kuwadzana, Warren Park, Kambuzuma, Rugare, Mabvuku and Tafara.

The Director of Works also reported that a Joint Implementation Committee was established which included officials from the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works and City of Harare for monitoring purposes as provided in the contract.

The Committee noted the contract for refuse removal service that was signed on 25th November 2024 between the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works, City of Harare and Geopomona Waste Management (Private) Limited and requested monthly reports to be presented to the Committee on progress on refuse collection by GeoPomona Waste Management Private Limited.

The Committee referred all labour issues relating to the contract for Refuse Removal Services that was signed on 25th November 2024 between the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works, City of Harare and Geopomona Waste Management (Private) Limited to the Human Resources and General Purposes Committee for consideration.

Following discussion, the Committee-

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND

- (1) That Council notes and considers the status of assistance in intervention on waste management operations.
- (2) That Council notes and adopts the Contract for Refuse Removal Services that was signed on 25th November 2024 between Ministry of Local Government and Public Works, City of Harare and Geo Pomona and Waste Management (Private) Limited.
- (3) That the labour issues relating to the contract for Refuse Removal Services that was signed on 25th November 2024 between the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works, City of Harare and Geopomona Waste Management (Private) Limited be referred to the Human Resources and General Purposes Committee for consideration.

ACTION: DOW:

THE MEETING ENDED AT 10:53 AM