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HOUSING : (1) HOMELANDS,
(2) SOWETO.

1. HOMELANDS:

A. "Donation" of R100 000.

On the 24th June, 1969, the Council agreed to make R100 000 available to the Department of Bantu Administration and Development "..... for the building of houses in the Bantu Homelands for the accommodation of widows, pensioners and others in Soweto who in the opinion of the Council, are in need and who have voluntarily moved to a Bantu Homeland

A Council deputation, comprising Councillors Dr. Lewis, Oberholzer and Powell and Messrs. Koller and de Villiers, met the Hon. the Deputy Minister of Bantu Administration and Education, with Messrs. van Onselen and Grobler of his staff, on the 27th January, 1971. At this meeting the donation of the R100 000 was mentioned during discussion of the Council's housing requirements, and the Hon. the Deputy Minister felt that if there was to be co-operation, there should be progress in connection with the R100 000 donation.

A cheque for R100 000 was forwarded to the Secretary for Bantu Administration and Development on the 12th March, 1972 with the request that he "..... keep the Council informed from time to time what progress has been made in the development of the various Bantu Homelands and to what areas people who have voluntarily moved from Soweto have been accommodated."

B. Development of Waayhoek/Olifantskop Township.

Messrs. Koller and Robinson (Non-European Affairs Department) and Noach (City Engineer's Department) visited the Waayhoek/Olifantskop (Ladysmith District) area on the 8th April, 1970, with a view to the possible direct participation of the Council in the development of this housing scheme. No further action has been taken to become involved in the Homelands and a decision is required.

C. Use of Services Levy Funds in Homelands.

On the 16th March, 1971, a Council deputation consisting of Councillors Dr. Lewis and Oberholzer and Messrs. Koller and de Villiers met the Hon. the Deputy Minister of Bantu Administration and Development and of Education and Mr. Grobler of his staff.

Councillor Dr. Lewis stated that the Council was prepared to make money available from the Bantu Services Levy Fund for the provision of services in Bantu Homelands, but the Hon. the Deputy Minister must clear the issue with commerce and industry.

In further discussion, the Hon. the Deputy Minister stated that Bantu Administration Boards would have to deal with the Bantu Services Levy Funds in exactly the same way as the Council was presently required to do.

All schemes to spend Bantu Services Levy Funds in the Homelands would have to be:-

- (a) Initiated by the Local authority;
- (b) Be approved by both the Local and Central Bantu Services Levy Committees.

D. Use of Schools Levy Funds in Homelands.

On the 7th April, 1971, the Secretary for Bantu Administration and Development advised that the increase in the Bantu Schools Levy from 20 cents to 38 cents per month had been approved, "..... on condition that the School Levy will also be used to provide school facilities in the Bantu Township in the Homelands, to be developed by the City Council for settlement of Bantu residing at present in its urban Bantu residential areas."

The following letter has now been received from the Acting Secretary for Bantu Administration and Development:-

- "1. I refer to the telephonic conversation between Messrs. Lötter and J. de Villiers on 6th July, 1971.
2. The condition stated in my minute to the Chief Bantu Affairs Commissioner (Witwatersrand), dated 7th April, 1971, should be substituted by the following:-

When the City Council embarks on the development of a bantu township in the homeland (possibly at Waayhoek/Olifantskop in the district of Ladysmith) as tentatively investigated for the settlement of bantu families from its urban bantu residential area, the school levy fund be also utilized for the provision of schools in such bantu township.

3. It stands to reason that the condition applies to surplus school levy funds which are not required for those schooling facilities permitted by the Department in terms of policy directives in urban bantu residential areas."

Calculations indicate that not only will there be no surplus after providing for the requirements of Soweto, but that additional funds will be required to complete the backlog of schools in Soweto. A further report in this regard will be submitted in due course.

E. Witzieshoek Development.

The Director, Management Board of Sebokeng, (which houses Bantu employed in Vanderbijlpark, Vereeniging, Meyerton and the surrounding

areas under the control of the Transvaal Board for the Development of Peri-Urban Areas) has informed the Director of the Non-European Affairs Department that the Department of Bantu Administration and Development has approved of his Board, in co-operation with local authorities concerned with the development of Sebokeng, developing 4 000 sites out of a total of 6 600 in a Bantu Homeland area at Witzieshoek for the South Sotho people.

The intention is not to limit the provision of houses in this area to families from the Vaal Triangle, but to make provision for the accommodation of South Sotho families from other areas as well.

Because of the limited funds available to the South African Bantu Trust for the development of the Bantu Homelands, it is only possible at this stage to develop this area provided interested local authorities will make funds available for such development. Some local authorities have already promised R250 000 and a further R300 000 is likely to become available from another source.

The Director of the Sebokeng Board states that local authorities may make provision for contributions for such development on their Estimates but, at this stage, it is not desirable that funds should be paid over either to the Department or to the Sebokeng Board. Details are requested however, of the number of South Sotho families in Soweto who can be offered accommodation in the Witzieshoek area.

The Director, Non-European Affairs Department reports that details are not available at this stage of the number of Bantu families who are prepared to move to the Bantu Homelands, but the following information has already been submitted to the Department of Bantu Administration and Development in regard to those families who have signified a desire to move from Soweto. The figures also show families which have already been moved to the Homelands during the last two years:-

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	T R I B E									
	South Sotho	North Sotho	Tswana	Zulu	Xhosa	Swazi	Shan-gaan	Venda	Foreign	Totals
Resettled.	-	1	1	-	3	1	-	-	-	6
No accommodation available in Bantu Homeland.	3	1	1	14	-	3	-	-	-	22
Awaiting B.A.C.'s decision.	7	2	5	17	10	3	12	1	1	58
Refused by B.A.C. * These 3 applicants were orphans whom the B.A.C. suggested should remain with relatives in Soweto.	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	* 3
Abandoned (applicant changed mind; death; absconded; left for Homeland of own accord; etc.)	8	1	6	13	3	-	2	-	-	33
A further 15 families have moved to the Homelands having made their own arrangements.										15
	18	5	14	45	17	7	14	1	1	137

F. General.

No reply has yet been made to the following letter dated 21st August, 1970 from the Bantu Affairs Commissioner, Johannesburg:-

"Attached is a copy of minute A20/1306/57 dated 6th August 1970, from the Secretary for Bantu Administration and Development, for your attention please.

Will you kindly let me have the formal resolution by your Council on the physical Homeland development of the proposed complex at Waayhoek/Olifantskop, Ladysmith. I can find no correspondence about this complex on my file except (i) a note by Mr. Nel (who is on leave) to the effect that Mr. Collier visited a Bantu Township in Newcastle district and that he reported to his Council on the visit and (ii) a summary of a discussion between officials of the Johannesburg City Council and the Bantu Administration and Development Department on the 12th February 1970, (your file 122/14 dated 26th February 1970, refers) on the development of Bantu Homelands."

The letter dated 6th August 1970 from the Secretary for Bantu Administration and Development reads as follows:-

"As gevolg van 'n telefoniese navraag deur 'n amptenaar van die Stadsraad oor bogenoemde skema, verlang die Departement 'n formele Raadsbesluit oor die fisiese tuislandontwikkeling van die voorgestelde kompleks by Waayhoek/Olifantskop, Ladysmith."

2. SOWETO:

Details relating to Soweto housing schemes are reflected in the attached progress report.

CITY OF JOHANNESBURG

NON-EUROPEAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

1. HOUSING : SOWETO.

9th August, 1971.

Pimville	101	
	948	
	923	
	989	
	449	
	229	
	<u>179</u>	
		<u>3818</u>
Mapetla		300
Molapo		416
Klipspruit		84
Senaoane		<u>24</u>
		4642
Protea		<u>4802</u>
		<u>9444</u>

2. HOSTELS.

Lifateng		2656
Moletsane (a) Improved		2274
(b) Ordinary		2384
Protea		<u>12000</u>
		<u>19314</u>

WAITING LIST: (AS AT 31ST MAY, 1971).

1. <u>HOUSES</u>	<i>Pimville</i>	<i>> 500</i>	
(a) Qualified		3665	
(b) Unqualified : Men		8087	
Women		<u>1733</u>	
Total			13485
Estimated Natural Increase per annum - 2000			<u>1000</u>
Total number of houses required by December 1971.			<u>14485</u>

2. HOSTELS.

(a) Male		22000
(b) Female		<u>2400</u>
Total		<u>24400</u>

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