

THE CITY WE WANT / IDOLOBHA ESILIFUNAYO 2016

MEMORANDUM of DEMANDS

to be presented to eThekweni Municipality on 13 July 2016

FISHERPEOPLE

- Opening free access to Durban's bays and beachfront piers and the North Pier;
- Subsistence Fishermen Licence's available at all post offices;
- Train Services to be re-opened for fishermen to the West Station;
- End harassment of the KZN Subsistence Fisherfolks by the SAPS and TRANSNET Security;
- Installing amenities such bins, toilets, taps and bins for the Fisherfolks;
- Stricter control measures on pollution;
- Legal action against polluting industries;
- A government that puts people before business.

WASTE PICKERS

1. Provision of enabling facilities and equipment that enhance livelihoods of informal recyclers.
2. A stop to police harassment and confiscation of recyclables, especially from legitimate informal recyclers.
3. Authorised access to waste recyclables for informal recyclers.
4. Recognition of the contributions of informal recyclers to the green economy, environment and society.

HOME-BASED WORKERS

1. Fair allocation of space and resources to support the livelihood of poor workers like home-based workers.
2. Increase access to basic services – housing, water sanitation and electricity.
3. We need support at list once a month with a space like a flea market to exhibit our goods which we are producing at our homes.
4. We need protection centres to keep our children, like crèches.
5. We need safety and security in our work.

STREET VENDORS* (*English translation below*)

1. Masipala makasebenzisane nenhlangano Ubumbano Traders Alliance yabahwebi.
2. Masipala makalungise izindawo zokuhwebela zibesesimweni esihle.
3. Akanike abantu amabilidi lawo ayewashilo.
4. iRenti asidingi ikhuphuka masipala anabheke ezomnotho, service, toilet, water, shelter, storage nogesi nokunye.
5. Asuwuboni umsebenzi wePermit akubuye amaLicence.
6. Amaphoyisa akasebenze ubugebengu budlangile eThekweni axhumane nabaholi bezindawo.
7. Akuhlelelwe abahwebi abanamaPermit babhekeleleke ekuhwebeni (abakhokhayo) nabangenawo banikwe izindawo zokuhwebela.

TAXI DRIVERS

1. Subsidy for passengers
2. Taxi drivers want permits
3. Stop arresting drivers for old warranties
4. Municipality must clean taxi ranks
5. Municipality must provide security in taxi ranks

REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS

1. 3 month Suspension of Moratorium on issuing of vending permits to street vendors in CBDs in order to issue permits to refugees and asylum seekers who need them;
2. Stop discriminatory practices towards refugees, asylum seekers and other foreign nationals, practices that fuel xenophobic sentiments among poor and survivalist South Africans towards foreign nationals;
3. The right to employment, self-employment and entrepreneurship are guaranteed in the refugee act and in municipal policies and by-laws. Vending permits must be issued to all who need it, including refugees and asylum seekers, regardless of where they are from.

RIGHT to KNOW campaign demands a city which:

1. recognises and enables people's right to protest and speak out;
2. has people-friendly police and open, transparent and accountable authorities;
3. ensures the participation of all the City's people in drawing up municipal budgets;
4. has open tender processes;
5. creates opportunities for all its people regardless of political and other affiliations;
6. recognises waste and waste management as serious environmental issues;
7. manages waste management itself, i.e. does not outsource this function;
8. implements programmes that conscientise people about/involve them in waste management.

AGENDA FEMINIST MEDIA:

1. Representation of women, especially from poor communities, in all structures of the City;
2. Feminist leadership within the Municipality;
3. Gendered laws, policies and budgets that prioritise women's needs and rights;
4. Recognition of sex workers, protection and advancement of their legal and health rights;
5. Safe cities for women with proper lighting, safe and affordable transportation;
6. Safe work conditions for informal traders, especially women traders, with available storage facilities, accommodation, and crèches for children;
7. Toilets and restrooms throughout the City, at safe and accessible points for women;
8. Remuneration of women for unpaid care work especially in shack and informal settlements;
9. Monitoring and addressing of gender-based violence especially in poor and neglected areas of the Metro;
10. Recognition and decent remuneration of recycling workers and waste pickers;
11. Durban must be a green City creating green jobs and opportunities for all;
12. End transit camps and shack settlements, conversion into proper housing for people;
13. Secure, child-friendly spaces and the rehabilitation of street children;
14. All public facilities and buildings must be easily accessible for disabled persons.

STREET VENDORS* *(English translation)*

1. Municipality must work together with Ubumbano Traders' Alliance.
2. Municipality must organise suitable spaces for informal traders to earn their livelihoods.
3. Buildings must be provided for informal traders to earn their livelihoods.
4. Municipality must not increase rentals without considering the economic viability, services, toilet, water, shelter storage, electricity and other services.
5. We do not see the Permit system working – so the licences system should be brought back.
6. The police are not working to combat the excessive crime in Durban, they should cooperate with the leaders on the streets.
7. All vendors with paid Permits, as well as those currently without Permits, should be allowed to work and should be allocated spaces to earn their livelihoods.