GAMAGARA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: DRAFT MUNICIPAL SPATIAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK (MSDF)

Notice No: 2026/141

This notice is published in terms of Sections 20 and 21 of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act, 2013 (Act 16 of 2013) (SPLUMA), read together with Sections 25, 26(e), 28, 29 and 34 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act 32 of 2000). The Municipal Spatial Development Framework (MSDF) is a statutory component of the Municipality's Integrated Development Plan (IDP) and provides the long-term spatial vision and development framework for the municipal area. The preparation and review of the MSDF must be undertaken in accordance with the prescribed development principles, planning processes and public participation requirements set out in the above legislation. Accordingly, Gamagara Local Municipality hereby invites members of the public, stakeholders, organs of state and all interested and affected parties to submit written comments on the Draft Municipal Spatial Development Framework as part of the Municipality's formal public participation and consultation process prior to its consideration for adoption by Council.

1. PURPOSE OF THE MUNICIPAL SPATIAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

The Municipal Spatial Development Framework (MSDF) is a statutory component of the Municipality's Integrated Development Plan (IDP) and serves as the Municipality's long-term spatial planning instrument. The MSDF:

- Sets out the long-term spatial vision and development trajectory of the Gamagara municipal area
- Guides land use management, infrastructure investment and development decision-making
- Promotes the development principles contained in Section 7 of SPLUMA, including spatial justice, sustainability, efficiency, resilience and good administration
- Provides spatial direction to public and private investment and land development
- Seeks to address historical spatial imbalances and support inclusive and sustainable growth

The Draft MSDF has been prepared in accordance with SPLUMA and national SDF Guidelines and will guide future land use and development decisions within the municipal area once adopted.

2. AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION

The Draft Municipal Spatial Development Framework will be available for public inspection for a period of **60 days** from the date of publication of this notice. Copies may be accessed at the following locations during normal office hours:

- Gamagara Local Municipality Head Office, Kathu
- Municipal satellite offices (Olifantshoek and Dibeng)
- public libraries (Mapoteng and Siyathemba)
- Municipal website: https://www.gamagara.gov.za/
- By request via email from the contact person listed below

Hard copies may be viewed at municipal offices and electronic copies downloaded from the municipal website.

3. INVITATION TO COMMENT

Members of the public, stakeholders, organs of state, business, community organisations and all interested and affected parties are hereby invited to submit **written comments, inputs or objections** on the Draft MSDF. Technical inquires and comments / objections on the Municipal Spatial Development Framework should be directed in writing to the Acting Town Planning Manager Mr. Othusitse Melokwe (sdfcom@gamagara.gov.za / 053 723 6000) or hand delivered to **Municipal offices at Cnr Hendrick van Eck and Frikkie Meyer, Kathu, 8446, Gamagara Local Municipality, P.O Box 1001, Kathu, 8446.**

All submissions must:

- Be submitted in writing
- Clearly state the name, contact details and interest of the person or organisation submitting comments
- Clearly indicate the relevant section or proposal being commented on (where applicable)

Written comments must be submitted on or before:

Closing Date: 13/08/2026

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND CONSULTATION

The Municipality will consider all comments received within the prescribed public consultation period and may revise the Draft Municipal Spatial Development Framework where appropriate. The revised MSDF will thereafter be submitted through the required internal and statutory processes prior to consideration for adoption by Council in terms of applicable legislation. The Municipality may convene stakeholder meetings or public information sessions to support meaningful engagement during the comment period. The Draft MSDF seeks to ensure transparent, inclusive and cooperative spatial planning and all stakeholders are encouraged to participate in shaping the future spatial development of Gamagara.

MR. LEBOGANG SEETILE
MUNICIPAL MANAGER
DATE: 15/06/2026