



NKANGALA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY



APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR SOURCING FUNDS FOR THE PROVISIONING OF GREEN ENERGY ELECTRIFICATION TO NKANGALA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY AND IT LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES BUILDINGS / FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY-SIX (36) MONTHS

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1.1 EMPLOYER'S OBJECTIVE

Nkangala District Municipality (NDM) intends to establish a Panel of Service Providers with the requisite expertise, experience, capacity and access to funding institutions to source funding and facilitate the implementation of Green Energy Electrification Projects within Nkangala District Municipality and its Local Municipalities.

The primary objective of the appointment is to secure funding from public, private, local and international funding institutions, development finance institutions (DFIs), climate finance funds, donor agencies, commercial investors, public-private partnerships (PPPs), and other suitable funding mechanisms for the planning, design, implementation, operation and maintenance of green energy and electrification infrastructure.

The appointment shall be for a period of Thirty-Six (36) Months on an as-and-when-required basis.

2 OVERVIEW OF THE WORKS

2.1 OVERALL OBJECTIVES

The overall objectives of this appointment are to:

- Identify and secure suitable funding opportunities for green energy and electrification projects.
- Develop bankable project proposals and business cases for submission to funding institutions.



- Facilitate engagements with local and international investors, funders and development partners.
- Assist the Municipality in obtaining grant funding, concessional loans, blended finance, climate finance and other innovative funding solutions.
- Support the implementation of funded projects through a turnkey delivery model where applicable.
- Promote energy security, environmental sustainability and reduced reliance on conventional energy sources.
- Support the Municipality's Integrated Development Plan (IDP), Infrastructure Master Plans and Strategic Development Objectives.
- Facilitate skills transfer and capacity building for municipal officials in project funding and green energy project implementation.

2.2 SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- a) Prospective Service Providers must possess the necessary skills, experience, expertise, financial capability and institutional networks required to source funding and implement green energy projects.
- b) Prospective Service Providers shall submit proof of previous similar projects undertaken, including funding secured, project values, funding institutions involved and project outcomes
- c) The Service Provider must demonstrate a minimum of five (5) years' experience in infrastructure funding, project finance, energy projects, municipal finance, development finance, climate finance or related fields.
- d) The successful Service Provider shall submit a detailed Project Implementation Plan and Funding Strategy for each assignment prior to commencement of work. The plan shall be approved by the Municipality and shall form the basis of the Project Charter and Service Level Agreement.
- e) Prospective Service Providers must demonstrate specific experience in sourcing funding for municipalities, public sector institutions, infrastructure development programmes and renewable energy projects.
- f) Prospective Service Providers must demonstrate a proven track record in successfully securing funding from national, provincial, international and private-sector funding institutions.
- g) The Municipality reserves the right to appoint one or more Service Providers from the panel for specific projects depending on the nature, complexity and funding requirements of the project.

2.3 DETAILS OF THE PROJECT / SCOPE

The appointed Service Providers shall provide funding sourcing, project packaging, stakeholder engagement, financial advisory and implementation support services for the following categories of projects:



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NAME OF UNIT	PROPOSED PROJECT DESCRIPTION
GREEN ENERGY ELECTRIFICATION INFRASTRUCTURE	• Sourcing of funds for the electrification of municipal buildings, facilities and infrastructure. • Sourcing of funds for energy efficiency improvement projects. • Sourcing of funds for upgrading and modernization of electrical infrastructure. • Sourcing of funds for smart-grid and energy management systems. • Sourcing of funds for municipal energy resilience projects.
SOLAR ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE	• Sourcing of funds for installation of rooftop solar photovoltaic systems on municipal buildings and facilities. • Sourcing of funds for solar-powered street and high-mast lighting projects. • Sourcing of funds for solar mini-grid and off-grid electrification projects. • Sourcing of funds for utility-scale solar generation facilities. • Sourcing of funds for battery energy storage systems.
RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS	• Sourcing of funds for wind energy projects. • Sourcing of funds for hydro-electric generation projects. • Sourcing of funds for biomass, biogas and waste-to-energy initiatives. • Sourcing of funds for hybrid renewable energy systems.
CLIMATE FINANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY PROJECTS	• Sourcing of green finance and climate adaptation funding. • Sourcing of carbon financing and climate resilience funding. • Accessing national and international climate funding mechanisms and programmes.



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PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT	• Development of feasibility studies and business cases. • Preparation of funding applications and investment proposals. • Financial modelling and project packaging. • Investor and stakeholder engagement. • Turnkey implementation support where applicable.
SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AND CAPACITY BUILDING	• Training and mentorship of municipal officials in project funding and infrastructure finance. • Knowledge transfer relating to green energy funding mechanisms and project implementation.

2.4 REQUIREMENTS FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS

The appointed Service Providers shall:

- Identify suitable funding opportunities and funding institutions for municipal projects.
- Develop funding proposals, feasibility studies, business cases and supporting documentation.
- Package projects into bankable investment opportunities.
- Facilitate negotiations with funding institutions and investors.
- Assist the Municipality in achieving financial close and securing funding approvals.
- Provide regular progress reports on funding applications and engagements.
- Assist with project implementation, contract management and reporting where required.
- Transfer skills and knowledge to municipal officials throughout the contract period.
- Establish partnerships with Development Finance Institutions (DFIs), donor agencies, climate funds and private investors where appropriate.
- Comply with all applicable legislation, regulations and municipal policies.

The Municipality may provide Service Providers with projects identified through the Integrated Development Plan (IDP), Infrastructure Plans, Sector Plans and other strategic programmes. Service Providers may also identify and propose additional funding opportunities or projects that align with the Municipality's developmental objectives.

Appointment to the panel shall not guarantee work. Assignments shall be allocated on an as-and-when-required basis subject to municipal requirements and available opportunities.

2.5 LOCATION OF THE WORKS

The services shall be rendered throughout the jurisdiction of Nkangala District Municipality, including all Local Municipalities within the District, namely:



1. Emalahleni Local Municipality;
2. Steve Tshwete Local Municipality;
3. Emakhazeni Local Municipality;
4. Dr JS Moroka Local Municipality;
5. Victor Khanye Local Municipality; and
6. Thembisile Hani Local Municipality.

2.6 CONTRACTUAL AND REPORTING

- The services shall be governed by a Service Level Agreement (SLA) to be entered into between Nkangala District Municipality and the appointed Service Provider.
- The Municipality may appoint one or more Service Providers from the panel for specific assignments.
- The successful Service Provider shall designate a suitably qualified Project Manager who shall serve as the primary liaison between the Municipality and the Service Provider.
- Municipal officials may be assigned to participate in projects for purposes of coordination, monitoring and skills transfer.
- The Municipality reserves the right to terminate any assignment or remove a Service Provider from the panel in accordance with the terms and conditions of the SLA.

2.7 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The appointed Service Provider shall submit monthly progress reports and project-specific reports detailing:

- Funding opportunities identified;
- Funding applications submitted;
- Stakeholder engagements conducted;
- Status of negotiations with funding institutions;
- Funding approvals secured;
- Project implementation progress;
- Risks and mitigation measures; and
- Skills transfer activities undertaken.

The Service Provider shall report to the Municipal Manager, Technical Services Directorate, and any designated Municipal Official responsible for project oversight.