

BUSINESS LICENSING

SECTION 2 OF BUSINESS LICENSING ACT NO. 71 OF 1991

- Licensing Authorities and licensing of businesses:
- “an Administrator may by notice in the Official Government Gazette designate a Local Authority, or appoint any person or body, as a licensing authority for an area which the Administrator specifies or defines in the notice, to undertake from the date specified in the notice the licensing of businesses in the area concerned”
- In respect of the above act uMhlabuyalingana Municipality has been designated with the power to issue business licenses as per notice no. 109 of the Government Gazette issued on the 15th of August 2011.

TYPES OF BUSINESSES REQUIRING LICENSES:

- ITEM 1 OF SCHEDULE 1 OF THE ACT:
 - Sale or supply of meals or perishable foodstuff
- ITEM 2 OF SCHEDULE 1 OF THE ACT:
 - Provision of certain types of facilities or entertainment
- ITEM 3 OF SCHEDULE 1 OF THE ACT:
 - Hawking in meals or perishable foodstuff
- ITEM 4 ?
 - All businesses operating within the Municipality as per the municipal by-law

PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION

- Fill in the prescribed form obtainable from the municipality
- Pay application fee of R228 (vat incl.)
- Attach the following compulsory documents:
 - Copy of lease agreement
 - Company registration document (certified)
 - Identity Document(s) (certified)
 - Building/floor plans
 - Written landlord consent if renting the property

STEPS TAKEN BY THE MUNICIPALITY

- Convene business licensing team meeting on Wednesdays
- The team to do inspections on site and will either approve or disapprove the granting of business license
- The team comprise of:
 - Townplanner
 - Technical Officer
 - Environmental Health Practitioner
 - Fire Officer
 - Road Traffic Officer
 - Business Licensing Officer

WHAT NOW ?

- It is a good thing to be compliant in all aspects
- Application forms are obtainable at Umhlabuyalingana Traffic Station at Mbazwana and Manguzi Municipal Offices
- Contact Mr. Siboniso S. Thwala 083 387 0299; 035-5710574