**PARLIAMENTARY AGENDA**

**FOR THE WEEK**

**MONDAY, 31st OCTOBER, 2016 – FRIDAY,**

**4th NOVEMBER, 2016**

**MONDAY, 31st OCTOBER, 2016**

**MEETINGS OF PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES**

**NIL**

**SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**NIL**

**TUESDAY, 1st NOVEMBER, 2016**

**SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**NIL**

**MEETINGS OF PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES**

**NIL**

**WEDNESDAY, 2nd NOVEMBER, 2016**

**SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**NIL**

**MEETING OF PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES**

**COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS**

**TIME:** 3.30 p.m.

**VENUE:** Committee Room No. 1, Committees Division, Public Buildings, Brickdam,

Georgetown.

**BUSINESS**:

1. Call to Order;
2. Announcements;
3. Confirmation of Minutes of the 14th Meeting held on Wednesday, 13th July, 2016;
4. Matters Arising;
5. To determine the appointment of the other Members to the Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU):

* Accountant
* Attorney-at-Law;

1. Status Report on the nomination process of the various Clusters of the Ethnic Relations Commission;
2. To continue discussions on the following Rights Commissions:

* Women & Gender Equality Commission; and
* Rights of the Child Commission.

1. To continue to identify the entities to nominate persons to be appointed Members of the Indigenous Peoples’ Commission.

\***NOT OPENED TO THE PUBLIC**

**THUSDAY, 3rd NOVEMBER, 2016**

**SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**NIL**

**MEETING OF PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES**

**PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE**

**TIME: 2.00 p.m.**

**VENUE:** Parliament Chamber, Public Buildings, Brickdam, Georgetown

**BUSINESS: (**i) Corrections and confirmation of Minutes of the 18th Meeting held on October 17, 2016;

(ii) To continue consideration of the Terms of Reference, Emoluments and Allowances payable to the Members of the Public Procurement Commission; and

\*(iii) To consider the Draft Report of the Public Accounts Committee for the years 2010/2011.

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**\*\*Not to be proceeded at this meeting**

**FRIDAY, 4th NOVEMBER, 2016**

**SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**TIME:** 2:00 p.m.

**VENUE:** Parliament Chamber, Public Buildings, Brickdam,

Georgetown .

**PUBLIC BUSINESS -**

1. **PRIVATE MEMBERS’ BUSINESS**

**MOTIONS**

1. **THE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF GUYANA**

Ms. Gail Teixeira, M.P., Opposition Chief Whip, to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the Commission of Inquiry into the Public Service was appointed by the President of Guyana on August 17, 2015 “to examine, advise and report of the salaries, conditions of service, training and other matters pertaining to the improvement of the efficiencies of the performance of the public service and the well-being of the public servants in the public service”;

AND WHEREAS the report on the Commission of Inquiry into the Public Service was tabled in the National Assembly on May 24, 2016,

BE IT RESOLVED**:**

That this Report be placed on the Order Paper for a Sitting before the recess for a debate of its contents and recommendation.

**Notice Paper No. 61 (M48 Opp.9) published on 2016-07-27)**

1. **PARKING METER PROJECT FOR THE CITY OF GEORGETOWN**

Mr. Mohamed Irfaan Ali, M.P. to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the Georgetown Mayor and City Council, represented by the Mayor and

Town Clerk, have entered into a contractual arrangement with a company (Smart City Solutions) for the installation of Parking Meters in our Capital City, Georgetown;

AND WHEREAS the Mayor and City Council has held no public consultations with national stakeholders nor the citizens of the city;

AND WHEREAS the citizens of Georgetown and those who drive into, and, must traverse through the Capital to reach other areas of the country, have appealed to the Mayor and City Council to abandon this parking meter project because of the financial hardships it will inflict upon the people;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Guyana, through the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Communities and the Ministry of Legal Affairs, has reviewed the parking meter contract and have found that the contract may have violated tender procedures; that the contract is too much in favour of the parking meter party and that the cost is burdensome;

AND WHEREAS the Mayor and some councillors in the face of the public opposition to this have been adamant that the project will proceed;

AND WHEREAS the company contracted to implement the project has been proceeding full steam ahead with its implementation plan, with aggressive promotion, importation of equipment and the hiring of staff;

AND WHEREAS there are many legal hurdles and protocols to address, including the yet unresolved critical issue of whether the Mayor and City Council have authority over public roads such as Regent Street, Water Street and Avenue of the Republic;

AND WHEREAS there are other legal issues involved with granting policing authority to a private company;

AND WHEREAS the Alliance For Change and the Deputy Mayor have publicly stated their opposition to the parking meter project,

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly calls on the Auditor General of Guyana to immediately conduct a forensic audit into the Georgetown Municipal Council including the Parking Meter Contract.

**(Notice Paper No. 68 (M 55 Opp. 10) published on 2016-10-21)**

1. **DURBAN PARK DEVELOPMENT JUBILEE PROJECT**

Bishop Juan Edghill, J.P., M.P. to move the following motion:

WHEREAS Guyana is celebrating its 50th Anniversary of political independence this

year, and as a consequence, the Government, proceeded to construct a facility now known as the

Jubilee Park to host a number of the anniversary activities, including the Flag Raising Ceremony

and Float Parade;

AND WHEREAS this National Assembly was informed that this project would be

funded by private individuals through an unnamed private organisation;

AND WHEREAS there were no budgetary provisions in the 2015 nor 2016 Annual Budgets for the Jubilee Durban Park Development Project;

AND WHEREAS in April, 2016, a public announcement was made by the Ministry of the Presidency that the Ministry of Public Infrastructure has been assigned responsibility to complete this facility in time for the hosting of the planned Independence celebrations;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Public Infrastructure announced that $150M of its budgetary allocation would be expended on the completion of this project;

AND WHEREAS no public disclosure or consultations were held with the citizens or national stakeholders as it relates to this project, nor were any architectural designs and overall projected costs for its construction and completion made public;

AND WHEREAS Supplementary Financial Paper No. 1 of 2016 provided for an additional $407.6M from the Contingency Fund on this project;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Public Infrastructure during the scrutiny of this Supplementary provision was unable to provide the National Assembly on August 8, 2016, with the final costs of the project, nor information on the funds raised and materials etc., donated prior to his April takeover,

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly in the interest of public accountability, transparency and good governance calls upon the Government to make full disclosure on the following:

1. The name(s) of the individuals and the private organisation which were in charge of this project from its inception to the April takeover by the Ministry of Public Infrastructure;
2. The donors and their contributions in cash and/or kind who contributed to the initial phase and completion of the Jubilee Durban Park Development Project;
3. Inform the House whether any and which of these contributions were submitted to the Consolidated Fun;
4. The list of contractor/s and the process of procurement used to secure those engaged;
5. The budgeted and actual costs for every phase of the project completed and a projected final cost for the overall project;
6. Payments made to individuals, contractors and companies as it relates to this project;
7. Liabilities, if any, to individuals, contractors and companies that are owed for works and services provided to this project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Government informs this House as to:

1. The Agency now assigned responsibility for the day-to-day management of the facility;
2. The recurrent cost for the maintenance, security, utilities and all other expenditure as it relates to the operation of this facility per annum; and
3. Plans for sustainable use of this facility.

**(Notice Paper No. 69 (M 56 Opp. 11) published on 2016-10-24)**

**MEETINGS OF PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES**

**NIL**

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**Parliament Office**

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**Brickdam**

**Georgetown**

**31st October, 2016**