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Public Utility Transport Corporation, Ltd.

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Ref. P.D.11.

19th February, 1953.

The Honorary Secretary,
Pretoria Joint Council of Europeans & Non-Europeans,
109 Luttig Street,
PRETORIA.

Dear Madam,

In reply to your letter of the 16th instant, we are in the happy position to advise that we have the matter of provision of bus shelters in hand at last and only await approval from the City Council for the programme to start.

We feel that it is a sad state of affairs that the Corporation should have to ultimately shoulder this addition to its cost structure which has absorbed all increased prices such as fuel, tyres, spares, cost of living allowances, housing and transport levies, etc., and still charges the passengers pre-war fares - there have been no increases in fares for the past fifteen years.

It has always been our opinion that provision of bus shelters was purely the responsibility of the City Council but they have consistently refused to assist. It is still a debatable point as to whether they will give approval for the erection of these shelters in the built up areas even at our expense.

Our experience (as borne out in your letter under reply) is that the only time the African expresses himself on the subject of his bus service is to voice his dissatisfaction. This in spite of the fact that the Corporation has a large amount of capital invested in its Pretoria services and £300,000 (Three hundred thousand pounds) has been spent on the purchase of new buses for use in Pretoria during the past four years. The Corporation has made substantial contributions to the Non-European social life in Pretoria, treats its Staff far more satisfactorily than most other large employers in this Country, and is operating a very efficient service at pre-war fares.

Being/.....

Joint Council of Europeans
and Non-Europeans

19th February, 1953.

Being a privately owned Company with no civic privileges or affiliations and lacking the goodwill of Local Authorities and organisations, your Council will no doubt read into this letter our sincere sympathy for the non-European in our gesture to provide at our own expense shelters upon property which is not owned by ourselves.

Yours faithfully,
PUBLIC UTILITY TRANSPORT CORPORATION LIMITED.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'T.H. Frith', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

T.H. FRITH
MANAGING DIRECTOR.

c/o Miss C.M. Elder,
Windsor House,
643 Church Street,
PRETORIA.
25th February, 1955.

Messrs. All-Media Advertisers (Pty.) Ltd.,
P.O. Box 7470,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sir,

We understand from the Town Clerk of Springs that you are undertaking the erection of bus shelters for the Springs Municipality free of charge on the understanding that you are given full advertising rights on these shelters.

For some time my Council has been pressing both the Pretoria City Council and the Public Utility Transport Corporation for bus shelters for Africans in Vermeulen Street, Pretoria, and have, so far, met with no success. We, therefore, wondered, should it be permitted by the City Council, whether you would consider building shelters on the same basis in Pretoria.

Yours faithfully,

H.B. Horrell.
Act. Secretary,
Joint Council of Europeans
and Non-Europeans.

The Pretoria Joint Council of Europeans and Africans

HONORARY PRESIDENTS:

THE HON. J. H. HOFMEYER
THE RT. REV. WILFRED PARKER

, 109 Luttig St.

12th March 1953.

The Town Clerk
City Council
Pretoria

Sir,

Re- Busstop shelters PUTC.

In its recent correspondence with the Public Utility Corporation, my Council has been informed that provision for shelters at busstops had been made, but that the matter was awaiting approval from the City Council.

We know that the matter has been in consideration for many years. The Non-European population is wondering when their claim will receive attention. Many of them are facing hardship, specially in wet weather, queuing up at the terminus, and not having any shelter whatsoever.

My Council would be glad, if you could let us know what the position really is, and we hope that the matter is receiveing attention without delay.

Yours faithfully

(Miss B. Ernst)

Hon. Secretary.



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City Council of Pretoria

Stadsraad van Pretoria

REF. NO. 7/17/20

TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT
AFDELING VAN DIE STADSKLERK
PRETORIA.

16th March, 1953.

The Hon. Secretary,
Pretoria Joint Council of Europeans
and Non-Europeans,
109 Luttig Street,
PRETORIA.

Dear Madam,

re: BUS SHELTERS.

With reference to your letter dated the 12th March, 1953, in the above connection, I have to inform you that the Council, at its meeting held on the 19th December, 1952, considered an application of the Public Utility Transport Corporation Limited for permission to erect bus shelters in Atteridgeville and Lady Selborne when it was resolved as follows:-

"That the Public Utility Transport Corporation be permitted to erect bus shelters, similar in design and construction to the movable shelters erected by the Council, in Atteridgeville and Lady Selborne at points to be approved by the City Engineer; such shelters to be maintained by the applicant in a state of good order and to remain only at the Council's pleasure."

Yours faithfully,

TOWN CLERK.

SPRINGS TO HAVE ADVERTISEMENT BUS SHELTERS

Max *4.2.55*

The Springs Town Council has accepted the offer of a firm of advertising contractors to supply, free of charge, six bus shelters at such places as the council may choose.

The shelters will be used as advertisement hoardings.

Similar offers have been accepted by the Germiston, Benoni, Boksburg and Randfontein councils.

87, Lawley St.
Waterkloof,
PRETORIA.

2nd June, 1954.

The Operating Manager,
Public Utility Transport Corporation,
2nd Avenue,
WYNBURG,
Transvaal.

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by my Council to convey to your Corporation its appreciation of the bus shelters which have been erected in the Non-European townships of Atteridgeville, Lady Selborne, Riverside, Eersterust and Eastwood.

I have been asked, however, to bring to your notice the fact that these shelters, welcome as they are, are too narrow to afford protection from any but the lightest rain, and to suggest that those in Alexandra Township are of a more satisfactory design. Is there any hope of the Pretoria ones being extended to offer more protection to the long queues at peak hours?

We are also anxious to know whether any progress is being made in the matter of the erection of shelters in the City of Pretoria itself, and should appreciate any information which you may be able to give us on this point.

Yours faithfully,

(Mrs. L. H. Warden)
Hon. Secretary.

Public Utility Transport Corporation, Ltd.

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10th June, 1954.

The Hon. Secretary,
The Pretoria Joint Council of Europeans
& Non-Europeans,
87, Lawley Street,
Waterkloof,
PRETORIA.

Dear Madam,

We thank you for your letter of the 2nd instant and have to advise that the type of shelter adopted by the Corporation is designed to comply with the requirements of Local Authorities throughout the Reef and Pretoria areas; we admit that the shelters at Alexandra Township terminus provide maximum shelter, but this type of building would not be approved by the City Councils.

The Corporation serves a large and scattered public with its transport and the complete programme of erecting queue shelters must be financed over a period of some two or three years. We can assure you, however, that the provision of shelters at Vermeulen Street, Pretoria, is being dealt with through the City Engineer.

Yours faithfully,
PUBLIC UTILITY TRANSPORT CORPORATION LIMITED.



G.E. FRITH.
OPERATING MANAGER.

, 276 Clark street
Jan. 18, 1955

The City Engineer,
van der Stel Building,
Pretorius street,
PRETORIA.


Sir,

Enclosed please find copy of a letter the Pretoria Joint Council of Europeans and Non-Europeans received from the Public Utility Transport Corporation.

As our members are much interested in the erection of the bus shelters in Vermeulen street, I should greatly appreciate, if you would kindly let me know how the scheme to provide these is progressing.

It would be of great help to my Council, if it were convenient to you to write to me before January 26, as this is the date of our next Monthly Meeting.

Yours faithfully


(Mrs. N M M Pijper)
Act. Hon. Sec.

tel. 78-5166



Stadsraad van Pretoria City Council of Pretoria

CITY ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT
AFDELING VAN DIE STADSINGENIEUR

VAN DER STEL BUILDINGS.
VAN DER STEL-GEBOU.
179, PRETORIUS STREET.
PRETORIUSSTRAAT 179.

26th January 1955.

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Mrs. N.M.M. Pijper,
Acting Hon. Secretary,
The Pretoria Joint Council of
Europeans & Non-Europeans,
276 Clark Street,
PRETORIA.

Dear Madam,

Non-European Bus Shelters.

With reference to your letter of the 18th January I have to advise that the Council agreed to erection of bus shelters by the Public Utility Transport Corp. Ltd. at the Vermeulen Street terminus subject to the approval of the design by this department.

The above company have however not yet submitted the final proposals for consideration but as soon as these are received they will be dealt with immediately.

Yours faithfully,

L. de Vaal
For L. de Vaal,
CITY ENGINEER.

SWRG/JV.

Municipality of Springs

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA



Munisipaliteit van Springs

UNIE VAN SUID-AFRIKA

TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT,
STADSKLERKSAFDELING,
SPRINGS.

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REF. NO. 21/7.
VERWYSING NR.

15th February, 1955.

*72-4135
Mr. Collins*

The Acting Secretary,
The Pretoria Joint Council of Europeans
and Non-Europeans,
44 Southern Life Buildings,
PRETORIA.

Dear Sir,

Re: ERECTION OF BUS SHELTERS.

With reference to your letter of the 10th February, 1955, in the above connection, I have to advise that the firm of advertising contractors with whom my Council proposes to enter into an agreement for the supply and erection of bus shelters, free of charge, is Messrs. All-Media Advertisers (Pty.) Ltd., P.O. Box 7470, Johannesburg. (Telephone No. 33-5451).

One of the conditions under which the shelters are supplied by the firm, is that the firm is given the sole right to display advertisements thereon.

Yours faithfully,

J. van Blerk
J. VAN BLERK.
ACTING TOWN CLERK.

44945

HK/MS.

44 Southern Life Building,

21st February, 1955.

Public Utility Transport Corp. Ltd.
P.O. Box 9571,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sirs,

Re: Vermeulen Street Bus Shelters.

With reference to your letter dated 10th June, 1954 and our subsequent telephone conversation, we are now advised by the Pretoria City Engineer that the Council has agreed to the above-mentioned bus shelters being erected, and now awaits your submission of the proposed design for their consideration.

It is appreciated that at some time in the future the buses in Vermeulen Street may be re-routed, but as we understand this is not likely to happen for some time yet, we would again urge you to make every effort to have a design prepared for the Council's approval and thereafter arrange for the erection of these shelters. May we suggest that they be designed so that, when it becomes necessary to reroute the buses, these shelters can be easily removed to another site.

We can assure you that the need for these shelters is critical.

Yours faithfully,

H.B.HORRELL
Acting Secretary.

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P.O. Box 7470.

VORENBERG HOUSE,
FIRST FLOOR,
NEW STREET SOUTH,
JOHANNESBURG

PLEASE REFER TO:

Mr. A. D. Cilliers/MS

4th March 1955.

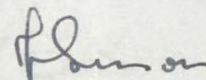
The Secretary,
Joint Council of Europeans & Non-Europeans,
c/o Miss C. M. Elder,
Windsor House,
643 Church Street,
PRETORIA.

Dear Madam,

In reply to your letter of the 25th February, I am pleased to inform you that my company has already offered to enter into an agreement, with the Pretoria City Council, to erect bus shelters free of charge in the Pretoria Municipal Area on the understanding that we are given full advertising rights on the shelters.

Although a reply from the Council has been awaited for some considerable length of time, I believe that the matter is nearing finality. Representations from your Council might go far towards having the City Council expedite its handling of the matter.

Yours faithfully,



A. D. CILLIERS
MANAGING DIRECTOR



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City Council of Pretoria

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AFDELING VAN DIE STADSINGENIEUR

VAN DER STEL BUILDINGS.
VAN DER STEL-GEBOU,
179, PRETORIUS STREET.
PRETORIUSSTRAAT 179.

21st March, 1955.

Miss C.M. Elder,
Acting Honorary Secretary,
Pretoria Joint Council of Europeans
and Non-Europeans,
Windsor House,
643 Church St.,
PRETORIA.

Dear Madam,

re: BUS SHELTERS : NON EUROPEANS.

With reference to your letter of the 11th instant, relevant to the above, I have to advise that this is a matter which concerns the Manager of the City Passenger Transport. Consequently a copy of your letter has been submitted to him for attention.

Yours faithfully,

L. de Vaal
for L. de Vaal,
CITY ENGINEER.



City Council of Pretoria.
Stadsraad van Pretoria.

F.O. BOX 890. TELEPHONE: MUNICIPAL EXCHANGE.
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PASSENGER TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT.
AFDELING PASSASIERVERVOER.
125, BOOM STR.,
PRETORIA.

Ref. No.S/18.....

23rd March, 1955.

Miss.C.M.Elder,
Acting Honorary Secretary,
Pta.Joint Council of Europeans and Non-
Europeans,
Windsor House,
643, Church Street,
PRETORIA.

Dear Madam,

RE: BUS SHELTERS : NON-EUROPEANS.

With reference to your letter of the 11th instant.,
addressed to the City Engineer, and his reply of the 21st
idem., I have to inform you that this department does not
operate any Non-European bus services and, consequently,
makes no provision for Non-European shelters.

Yours faithfully,


F.W. PETTIFER.
ASST. MANAGER.

FWP/IEK.

13 Windsor House,
643 Church Street,
Arcadia,
PRETORIA.

14th April, '52

The Town Clerk,
Town Clerk's Office,
PRETORIA.

BUS SHELTERS FOR NON-EUROPEANS

Dear Sir,

The Joint Council of Europeans and Non-Europeans learns that Messrs All-Media Advertisers (Pty) Ltd have offered to erect Bus Shelters for Non-Europeans free of charge on the understanding that they be granted full advertising rights.

The Joint Council hopes that the City Council will enter into an agreement with this firm as quickly as possible, as the shelters are an urgent need.

Yours faithfully,

C. M. Elder. (Miss)

Acting Honorary Secretary.



City Council of Pretoria.
Stadsraad van Pretoria.

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TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT
AFDELING VAN DIE STADSKLERK
PRETORIA.

26th April, 1955.

The Honorary Secretary,
The Pretoria Joint Council of
Europeans and Non-Europeans,
13 Windsor House,
643 Church Street,
P R E T O R I A.

Dear Madam,

Re: Bus Shelters for Non-Europeans.

With reference to your letter of the 14th April, 1955, in the above connection, I would advise that the Council has declined an offer of Messrs. All-Media Advertisers (Pty.) Ltd. for the erection of bus shelters for Europeans in Pretoria.

Transport facilities for Non-Europeans is controlled by Messrs. Public Utility Transport Corporation Limited and requests for the provision of amenities connected therewith should be directed to that body.

Yours faithfully,

[Handwritten signature]
TOWN CLERK.

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