

**MUNICIPAL NOTICES—IZAZISO ZIKAMASIPALA****No. 16****26 March 2009****UMDONI MUNICIPALITY****Municipal Number: 13/2009****AMENDMENT OF MUNICIPAL CODE (BYLAWS)  
ANIMALS, BIRDS & DOMESTIC PETS BYLAWS  
AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS PERTAINING TO THE KEEPING AND OR SELLING OF AND  
SLAUGHTERING OF LIVESTOCK IN THE COUNCIL AREA**

The Umdoni Municipality, acting in accordance with the provisions of Section 156 (2) of the Constitution of South Africa, 1996 (Act No 108 of 1996), read with Section 162 of the said Act, at a meeting held on 25 February 2009 resolved to amend the Council's Bylaws published in the Provincial Gazette on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2006 under Municipal Notice 11 of 2006 as set out in the schedule hereto.

**MR D D NAIDOO  
MUNICIPAL MANAGER**

**SCHEDULE:**

1. Chapter 2. Animals, Birds and Domestic Pets Bylaws published on the 27<sup>th</sup> July 2006 under Municipal Notice 11 of 2006 is hereby amended by:
  - a) The inclusion, after bylaw 1.2.6 of the following new provision:-
    - 1.3 No person shall keep or sell for slaughter any livestock on any premises controlled in terms of an Urban Town Planning Scheme within the Council's area of jurisdiction except:-
      - 1.3.1 in the case of the slaughter of livestock for indigenous religious or cultural purposes, in accordance with the written authority of the Council;
      - 1.3.2 with the prior written authority of the Council, application for which shall be made to it no less than 30 days prior to the date on which the indigenous religious or cultural event is to take place;
      - 1.3.3 in accordance with the provisions of Section 129 and applicable prescripts of Part V111 of the Red Meat Regulations published on 17 September 2004 in Gazette No 26779 under Notice No 1072, or any amendment or replacement thereto.
      - 1.3.4 in accordance with the Council's Guidelines for such slaughter;
  - 1.4 The Council reserves the right to refuse any application made in accordance with the provisions of bylaw 1.3.2 hereof in the event of the applicant's failure to comply with all applicable requirements.



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Front, from left, Vasan Chetty, general manager: technical services, mayor, Cllr Ntombfike Gumede, speaker, Cllr MO Zama, environmental manager, Siraj Paruk with the technical services team.

## New ritual slaughter regulations apply

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IN 2008 Umdoni Council was asked to grant authority to advertise an amendment to its Animal Bylaws to include provision for the ritual slaughter of animals.

A number of vociferous objections were received from people who live in the urban area of the municipality. Umdoni municipal manager, Mr DD Naidoo, has given notice that several regulations have been superceded or repealed.

These include regulations covering the slaughter of animals for religious or cultural purposes.

Assisted by Ugu District Municipality's Health Department and the Municipal Health Association: KZN, health requirements covering the slaughter

of animals for ritual purposes have already been prepared and approved by the council.

While there have been many objections to council's intention to amend its appropriate bylaws, none of the objectors appear to be aware that the slaughter of animals for indigenous religious or cultural purposes is granted in terms of the Meat Safety Act, 40/2000 read with the Red Meat Regulations published in the Government Gazette of September 17, 2004.

Any bylaw introduced by council must be in accordance with the Act and Regulations which are approved at National level.

As matters stand, council will be in a position to consider, approve or refuse any applications made to

it, for good reason, but cannot ban this practice as there are provisions for it in law.

The amendment to council's Animals, Birds and Domestic Pets Bylaws, and the Health Guidelines drafted have been prepared to introduce measures and procedures in terms of which applications received can be considered and approved or rejected.

Umdoni Council conveys this information to the public in an effort to explain the need for the amendment to its bylaws, and the introduction of Health Guidelines.

This is not a legal notice, but an informative one, and no objections or representations will be entertained as council is complying with National Legislation that is already in place.



## Ugu Jazz Festival

THE date for the annual Ugu Jazz Festival is June 27 and

Afro-souls artists, some of which have illustrious careers in the in-

Cup will be broadcast live on big screens, the day after the music



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