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MINUTES OF THE 17TH MEETING OF THE THIRTEENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 4TH JULY 2025 AT 9.30 AM

PRESENT: Acting Governor, Mr. Perin Bradley

The Honourbale Premier and Minister of Finance, Labour, Immigration, Home Affairs and Constitutional Affairs, Mrs. Cora Richardson-Hodge

Acting Deputy Governor, Mr. Karim Hodge

The Honourable Minister of Health, Tourism and Sports, Mr. Cardigan Connor

The Honourable Minister of Social Development, Education & Library, Youth and Culture, Mrs. Shellya Rogers-Webster

The Honourable Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, IT and E-Government Services, Mr. Jose Vanterpool

Acting Attorney General, Mr. Ivor Greene

Clerk to Executive Council, Ms. Dumisa Webster

ABSENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms. Julia Crouch

The Honourable Minister of Economic Development, Industry, Commerce, Lands, Planning, Water and Natural Resources, Mr. Kyle Hodge

IN ATTENDANCE: The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Mr. Cordell Richardson

Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Mr. Evans McNiel Rogers

Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture, Mr. Jeison Bryan

EX MIN 25/149 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Assistant for Health and Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture remained.

Council confirmed the minutes of the 16th Meeting of the Executive Council held on Thursday, 26th June 2025.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

None.

EX MIN 25/150 EX MEMO 25/115 National Funeral for the Late Mr. Franklyn Kenneth Gumbs "Frank" in Recognition of His Invaluable Contribution to Anguilla during the Revolution The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The Honourable Premier briefed Council on the memorandum, which seeks approval for inter alia the holding of a national funeral for the late Mr. Franklyn Gumbs in collaboration with his family and a contribution of EC\$10,000.00 towards the funeral expenses. Mr. Gumbs not only played a significant role in the early development of Anguilla's infrastructure but also made notable contributions to the Anguilla Revolution, which earned him the Anguilla Badge of Honour and Queen's Certificate in 2019.

Executive Council:

- 1. Approved the holding of a National Funeral in honour of the late Mr. Franklyn Kenneth Gumbs in collaboration with his family;
- 2. Approved the publication of an Official Statement of Condolence from the Government and people of Anguilla on the passing of Mr. Franklyn Kenneth Gumbs "Frank" of Deep Waters;
- Instructed that flags be flown at Half Mast on the day preceding the funeral and the day of the funeral until immediately following the funeral;

- 4. Instructed that a Police Guard of Honour is to be drawn up at the Church and a contingent of uniformed officers is to bear the body in and out of the church and at the graveside. Casket is to be covered with the national flag;
- 5. Approved a contribution of EC\$10,000.00 towards the funeral expenses (EC\$5,000.00 of which is to be paid in accordance with the directions of the family);
- 6. Noted that the relevant offices will hold discussions on potentially increasing the monetary contribution made by the Government of Anguilla for the holding of national funerals.

Council authorised issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the minutes.

Action: PAS, FIN; PS, FIN; HON PREM.

EX MIN 25/151 EX MEMO 25/116 Application for Issue of Licence under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act- [Redacted Text]-Registration Section: North, Block 58716 B, Parcel 497 being 0.24 of an acre located in Black Garden

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

Ms. Shameica Hodge, PS, Home Affairs (Ag.) and Mr. Leslie Hodge, Director of Lands and Surveys joined the meeting.

Council was briefed on the application for an Aliens Land Holding Licence. Executive Council approved the granting of an Aliens Land Holding Licence to [Redacted Text] to hold vacant property situated in Registration Section: North, Block 58716 B, described as Parcel 497 being 0.24 of an acre of land located in Black Garden for residential purposes, subject to:

- (a) Payment of the following stamp duties:
- (i) under the Stamp Act 5% of EC\$43,011.20 EC\$2,150.56
- (ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 6.25% of EC\$43,011.20 Waived

(iii) Refundable Deposit – 10% of EC\$43,011.20

Waived

TOTAL

EC\$2,150.56

- (b) Regulations to be issued by the Attorney General's Chambers.
- (c) The property is to be used for residential purposes.
- (d) The Licensee be granted an exemption from the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act fee and payment of a refundable deposit, under Section 16 of the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act on the grounds that [Redacted Text] is a Caricom National and therefore qualifies for the exemption under the Caricom Policy.
- (e) The Licensee must not rent their dwelling house without first notifying the Ministry with responsibility for Economic Development, Investment, and Commerce.
- (f) The Licensee shall fully comply with the laws of Anguilla in force from time to time including the Land Development Control Act, the Property Tax Act, the Building Regulations, the Labour Relations Act 2018 and Work Permit Regulations 2023, the Social Security Act, the Immigration and Passport Regulations and any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof and any rules or regulations made there under.
- (g) Any breach of any of the conditions of this Licence shall result in all the estate and interest of the Licensee in the land being liable for forfeiture to the Crown.
- (h) That the Government of Anguilla forgo taxes in the amount of EC\$6,552.49; and
- (i) That the Ministry of Finance records the taxes waived in the amount of EC\$6,552.49.

Council authorised issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the minutes.

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON MIN MEDICPNR.

EX MIN 25/152 EX MEMO 25/117 Application for Issue of Licence under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act- [Redacted Text] -Registration Section West End, Block 17810 B, 201 SL HPH being 3686 sq. ft. located in Barnes Bay

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

Council was briefed on the application for an Aliens Land Holding Licence. Executive Council approved the granting of an Aliens Land Holding licence to [Redacted Text] to hold on a freehold basis a luxury condominium being 3,686 sq. ft., forming part of the Resorts & Residences of Anguilla Home Owners Association Ltd., a Condominium development at Four Seasons Anguilla Ltd., described as Registration Section West End, Block 17810 B, Parcel 201 SL HPH, being 3,686 sq. ft. subject to the following:

(a) Stamp duties payable are as follows:

(i)	under the Stamp $Act - 5\%$		
	of EC\$14,455,795.50	EC\$	722,789.78

(ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act -4%of EC\$14,455,795.50 <u>EC\$578,231.82</u>

TOTAL

EC\$1,301,021.60

- (b) Regulations to be issued for Exemption.
- (c) The Aliens Land Holding Licence Stamp Duty shall be reduced from 5% to 4% pursuant to regulations under Section 16 of the Financial Administration and Audit Act RSA c F27.

Registration Section	Block	Parcel	Assessed Value (EC\$)	ALHLR Act @ 5%	ALHLR Act @ 4%	Concession loss to GOA
West End	17810 B	201 SL HPH	\$14,455,795.50	\$722,789.78	\$ <u>578,231.82</u>	\$144,557.96

- (d) The Licensee shall rent the unit that forms part of Four Seasons Anguilla Resort.
- (e) The Licensee shall fully comply with the Memorandum of Understanding dated 10th July 2024, signed between the Government of Anguilla and NW Anguilla Properties Ltd.
- (f) As per Part III D Annual Levies assessed on Real Estate "Developer owned Room Inventory shall be exempt from the annual levies detailed in (1) and (2) above. Any Luxury Real Estate Product returned to the Developer shall also be exempt from the annual levies detailed in (1) and (2) above.
- (g) The Licensee shall fully comply with the laws of Anguilla enforced from time to time, including the Land Development Control Act, the Property Tax Act, the Building Regulations, the Labour Relations Act 2018 and Work Permit Regulations 2023, the Social Security Act, the Immigration and Passport Regulations and any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof and any rules or regulations made there under.
- (h) Any breach of any of the conditions of this Licence shall result in all the estate and interest of the Licensee in the land being liable for forfeiture to the Crown.

Council authorised issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the minutes.

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON MIN, MEDICPNR.

[Redacted Text]

EX MIN 25/155 EX MEMO 25/120 Application for Issue of Licence under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act- [Redacted Text]-Registration Section South East, Block 79113 B, Parcel 237 being 0.40 of an acre located in Long Pond

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

Council was briefed on the application for an Aliens Land Holding Licence. Executive Council approved the granting of an Aliens Land Holding Licence to [Redacted Text] to hold property situated in Registration Section: South East, Block 79113 B, described as Parcel 237 being 0.40 of an acre of land, dwelling house thereon, located in Long Pond for residential purposes, subject to:

(a) Stamp duties payable are as follows:

(i) under the Stamp $Act - 5\%$	
of EC\$2,044,376.10	EC\$102,218.81

 (ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 5% of EC\$2,044,376.10
<u>EC\$102,218.81</u>

TOTAL

EC\$204,437.62

- (b) The property must be used for residential purposes
- (c) The Licencee must not rent their dwelling house without first notifying the Ministry of Economic Development, Investment, Commerce, Information Technology & Natural Resources in order to rent the said property.
- (d) The Licencee shall fully comply with the laws of Anguilla enforced from time to time including the Land Development Control Act, the Property Tax Act, the Building Regulations, the Labour Relations Act 2018 and Work Permit Regulations 2023, the Social Security Act, the Immigration and Passport Regulations and any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof and any rules or regulations made there under.
- (e) Any breach of any of the conditions of this Licence shall result in all the estate and interest of the Licensee in the land being liable for forfeiture to the Crown.

Council authorised issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the minutes.

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON MIN MEDICPNR.

EX MIN 25/156 EX MEMO 25/121 Application for Issue of Licence under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act- [Redacted Text] -Registration Section: West End, Block 17809 B, Parcel 361 being 0.21 acre located in West End

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained. Council was briefed on the application for an Aliens Land Holding Licence. Executive Council approved the granting of an Aliens Land Holding Licence to [Redacted Text] to hold on a freehold basis, vacant property situated in Registration Section: West End, Block 17809 B, described as Parcel 361, being 0.21 of an acre located at West End, Anguilla for residential purposes with intent to rent subject to:

(a) Payment of the following Stamp Duties:

(i)	under the Stamp Act – 5% of EC\$336,025.00	EC\$16,801.25
(ii)	under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 6.25% of EC\$336,025.00	EC\$21,001.56
(iii)	refundable deposit – 10% of EC\$336,025.00	EC\$33,602.50

TOTAL

EC\$71,405.31

- (b) The property must be used for residential purposes.
- (c) The Licencee must not rent their dwelling houses without first notifying the Ministry of Economic Development, Investment, Commerce, Information Technology & Natural Resources in order to rent the said property.
- (d) The construction of the dwelling house is to be completed within thirty (30) months. If said dwelling house is not completed at the end of thirty (30) months, 50% of the refundable deposit will be forfeited to the Government of Anguilla. The balance 50% will be forfeited if the construction is not completed within a further 6 months. Thereafter, forfeiture proceedings for the property will be commenced by the Government of Anguilla for a period of twenty-four (24) months.
- (e) The Licensee shall fully comply with the laws of Anguilla in force from time to time including the Land Development Control Act, the Property Tax Act, the Building Regulations, the Labour Relations Act 2018 and Work Permit Regulations

2023, the Social Security Act, the Immigration and Passport Regulations and any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof and any rules or regulations made there under.

Council authorised issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the minutes.

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON MIN, MEDICPNR.

EX MIN 25/157 EX MEMO 25/122 Application for Issue of Licence under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act- [Redacted Text] -Registration Section: North Central, Block 48613 B, Parcel 212 being 0.46 acre located in North Hill

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

Council was briefed on the application for an Aliens Land Holding Licence. Executive Council approved the granting of an Aliens Land Holding Licence to [Redacted Text] hold on a freehold basis, property situated in Registration Section: North Central, Block 48613 B, described as Parcel 212, being 0.46 acre located at North Hill, Anguilla for residential purposes, with a villa thereon subject to the following:

- (a) Payment of the following Stamp Duties:
- (i) under the Stamp Act 5% of EC\$2,095,451.90 EC\$104,772.60
- (ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 5% of EC\$2,095,451.90

EC\$104,772.60

TOTAL

<u>EC\$209,545.20</u>

- (b) The property must be used for residential purposes.
- (c) The Licensee must not rent their dwelling house without first notifying the Ministry with responsibility for Economic Development, Investment, and Commerce.

(d) The Licensee shall fully comply with the laws of Anguilla in force from time to time including the Land Development Control Act, the Property Tax Act, the Building Regulations, the Labour Relations Act 2018 and Work Permit Regulations 2023, the Social Security Act, the Immigration and Passport Regulations and any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof and any rules or regulations made there under.

Council authorised issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the minutes.

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON MIN, MEDICPNR.

EX MIN 25/158 EX MEMO 25/123 Marina Development & Marina Berth Sales-Legislative Framework

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The Director of Lands and Surveys and the Acting PS for Home Affairs briefed Council on the memorandum. The memorandum acknowledges that economic development and diversification are important for the advancement of Anguilla and to that end highlights and proposes legislative framework for marina development in Anguilla. Within the larger concept of marina development in Anguilla, a need exists for there to be a legislative/ policy framework for the registration of boat dock slips/ marina berths. As such, the Ministry recommends that amendments be made to the Condominium Act to allow for the foregoing.

Executive Council:

- 1. Approved amendment of the Condominium Act in order to develop the detailed framework and guiding provisions for the freehold registration of marina berths and marina development; and
- Instructed the Attorney General's Chambers, with the Department of Lands & Surveys and the Economic Development team, to draft said amendments to the Condominium Act and any new Regulations as necessary for consideration by Executive Council by 31st July 2025.

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON MIN, MEDICPNR.

EX MIN 25/159 EX MEMO 25/124 Approval of the UK Overseas Territories Biodiversity Strategy 2025

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

Council was briefed on the memorandum. The United Kingdom ('UK") and all of its 16 Overseas Territories have collaborated to produce a comprehensive biodiversity strategy, which aligns with commitments made at the UK Overseas Joint Ministerial Council. The memorandum seeks Executive Council's formal approval and endorsement of the UK Overseas Territories Biodiversity Strategy.

Executive Council:

- 1. Approved Anguilla's formal endorsement and adoption of the UK Overseas Territories Biodiversity Strategy 2025;
- Directed relevant departments and agencies to proceed immediately with aligning local biodiversity management practices and regulatory frameworks with the goals and objectives outlined in the UK Overseas Territories Biodiversity Strategy 2025; and
- 3. Authorised the Ministry to initiate and coordinate necessary implementation activities and capacity-building initiatives with support from UK agencies.

Action: PS, MEDICPNR; HON MIN, MEDICPNR.

EX MIN 25/160 EX MEMO 25/125 Reconstitution of the Board of Governors of the Anguilla Community College

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The Honourable Minister of Education briefed Council on the memorandum which seeks approval for the reconstitution of Anguilla Community College Board of Governors. It was noted that reconstitution is in the public interest to support a more strategic and functional governance framework.

Executive Council:

1. Approved the revocation of appointments of the current Chairman of the Anguilla Community College Board of Governors, Mr. Deleon Skellekie, and Board members Mrs. Cherecia Lewis-Rogers, Ms. Tricia Richardson, Ms. Jocelyn Johnson and Mr. Michael Bourne.

- 2. Approved the retention of appointments for Ms. Leah Hughes and Ms. Jaqueline Seargent; and
- 3. Approved the appointment of the following persons to the Anguilla Community College Board of Governors:
 - i. Colleen Horsford (Chairperson);
 - ii. Donna Banks;
 - iii. Walsh Jno Baptist
 - iv. Erimel Franklin; and
 - v. DeLeon Richardson-Crawford.

Council authorised issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the minutes.

Action: PS, MSDE; HON MIN, MSDE.

Council authorised issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the minutes.

Action: PS, MSDE; HON MIN, MSDE.

EX MIN 25/161 EX MEMO 25/126 Update on Civil Matters in Attorney General's Chambers

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The Acting Attorney General provided Council with a brief update on the current civil matters in the Attorney General's Chambers, noting the next steps to be taken in each case.

Executive Council:

 Noted the civil matters currently being dealt with by the Attorney General's Chambers and the possible financial implications if the claimants are successful in their respective lawsuits; 2. Did not approve the payment of damages from the budget of the offending Ministry. The payment of damages is to continue being made from the budget of the Attorney General's Chambers.

Action: EXCO CLK; EXCO MEMBERS; HON AG.

EX MIN 25/162 Update on National CCTV Project The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The Honourable Minister Vanterpool, MICHITES, noted that the emergency procurement process for the national CCTV project is underway and expected to be completed in short order.

Action: EXCO CLK; EXCO MEMBERS.
