



Asanele Velebayi and Luke Baartman can now freely represent Kaizer Chiefs after their previous club, Cape Town Spurs, lost at arbitration. /Gavin Barker /BackpagePix

ARBITRATION CLEARS VELEBAYI AND BAARTMAN TO PLAY FOR AMAKHOSI

● Duo declared free agents, and Spurs lose out on compensation

By **MARC STRYDOM**

Asanele Velebayi and Luke Baartman are free agents and their signings by Kaizer Chiefs can proceed, an arbitration has ruled.

The pair had been a subject of a dispute from Cape Town Spurs, who argued 22-year-old winger Velebayi and 19-year-old forward Baartman were still under contract by the club.

Spurs were relegated from the Motsepe Foundation Championship (MFC) to the third tier ABC Motsepe League at the end of the 2024-25 season.

Chiefs announced they had signed the pair as free agents in August.

Arbitrator Hilton Epstein SC ruled on Tuesday Velebayi and Baartman are free agents and directed Spurs to “furnish clearance certificates to both”.

No order of costs was made.

In his finding, Epstein noted Baartman's contract with Spurs was entered into for the period “July 1 2024 to August 1 2026”. Velebayi's was signed for the period “1 July 2023 to 30 June 2026”.

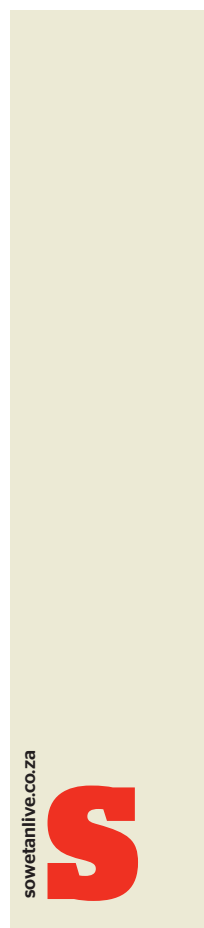
However, Epstein stressed the contracts stipulated both players had signed to “play only professional football”.

The arbitrator concluded that by the SA Football Association (Safa) regulation definitions, the ABC Motsepe League is amateur, not professional, so the players' contracts became nullified.

He found “no merit in the argument of the appellant that all players, both

professional and amateur can play in the Motsepe League”.

Epstein found that “on a proper interpretation of the contracts, the respondents signed up to play professional football and cannot be compelled to play as amateurs in the amateur Motsepe League”. This made the contracts “impossible of performance”.



BID NOTICE AND INVITATION TO BID

Bidders are hereby invited to bid for the following projects:

No.	Project Number	Project Description.	Closing Date.
01	LIM473/Urban Planner/25/26/014	Qualified Urban Designer / Town Planners are invited to bid for review Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality Precinct Plans with Jane Furse Cluster Nodal Point Precinct Plan as per IDP 2025/2026.	21/11/2025 @ 12:00

Bid documents will be obtainable from Makhuduthamaga Local Municipal Offices from **17 October 2025 (Mon-Fri from 08:00-16:30)** from the cashiers at a non-refundable deposit of **R560.00** payable in cash or bank-guaranteed cheque. Bid documents can also be downloaded from www.etender.gov.za at **no cost**.

Completed and signed tender documents must be sealed in an envelope and marked with the relevant project number and project description and be deposited in the tender box at Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality Offices in Jane Furse before the closing date and time.

The municipality shall adjudicate and award tenders in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 5/2000 and the revised procurement regulation with effect 16 January 2023 and on 100 points for functionality and 80/20 points system where 80 points are for the price and 20 points for Municipal specific goals (according to the said legislation). Details of functionality and specific goals are in the bid document. Bids will remain valid for 90 (ninety) days.

The lowest tender will not necessarily be accepted and the municipality reserves the right not to consider any tender not fully completed. Tenderers are required to initial each page of the tender document and sign where necessary.

Enquiries contact: Supply Chain Unit: Mr Mothapo KJ - 013 265 8607
Economic Development and Planning: Mrs Tong KT - 013 265 8600

Mr MOGANEDI RM
MUNICIPAL MANAGER
PRIVATE BAG X 434, Jane Furse, 1085

NKANGALA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

TENDERS ARE HEREBY INVITED FROM SUITABLY QUALIFIED SERVICE PROVIDERS TO RENDER THE FOLLOWING SERVICES WITHIN THE NKANGALA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

Project No	Project Description	Points	CIDB Grading	Technical Enquiries	Compulsory Briefing	Closing Date
185581	The appointment of a service provider to undertake biodiversity mapping and the update of the Nkangala District bioregional plan for the period of six (6) months in the financial year 2025/26 (Re-Advert)	80/20	Not Applicable	Mr E Mameja Community Development Services mamejtae@nkangaladm.gov.za Tel: 013-249-2160	Physically at Nkangala District Municipality Building, on 15 October 2025 at 10:00 am	27 October 2025 at 12H00
51665	Appointment of cleaning services for Nkangala District Municipality office buildings for a period of 36 months	80/20	Not Applicable	Mr NM Motshwene Corporate Services motshwenem@nkangaladm.gov.za Tel: 013 249 2170	Physically at Nkangala District Municipality Building, on 17 October 2025 at 10:00 am	10 November 2025 at 12H00
51664	Appointment of a service provider for the routine horticultural and gardening maintenance services for Nkangala District Municipality building for a period of thirty-six (36)	80/20	4SH or higher	Mr NM Motshwene Corporate Services motshwenem@nkangaladm.gov.za Tel: 013 249 2170	Physically at Nkangala District Municipality Building, on 17 October 2025 at 12:00 pm	10 November 2025 at 12H00

Documents will be available from the National Treasury e-tenders Website from the **10 October 2025** and can be downloaded free from www.etenders.gov.za

NB: Service Providers are requested to contact the Municipality's Anti-fraud and Corruption Hotline Number on 0800 014 816 or go to <https://alert-us.co.za> for known Instances in Relation to the Soliciting of Bribes or Fraudulent Activities with regards to Procurement.

Tenders are to be completed in black ink and completed in accordance with the conditions and rules contained in the tender documents. The Tenders and relevant documents must be sealed in an envelope and externally endorsed with the relevant project and be deposited in the Tender Box, Ground Floor, Nkangala District Municipality, 2A Walter Sisulu Street, Middelburg, Mpumalanga. The tenders will be immediately be opened in public on a specified closing date.

The Tenders shall remain valid for a period of a minimum of **90** to a maximum of **120** days from the closing date. Telegraphic, telephonic, fax, telex e-mail or late tenders will not be accepted.

Tenders will be evaluated in terms of the Supply Chain Management Policy of Nkangala District Municipality. The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted, and Nkangala District Municipality reserves the right not to consider any tender not suitably endorsed or comprehensively completed, as well as the right to accept the tender in whole or part. Suppliers and/ or Service Providers need to be registered on CSD.

Administration Queries may be directed to the Supply Chain Office from Nkangala District Municipality at 013 249 2104/ 05 / 06 / 07/2081.

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