SALE TO GO AHEAD

Voices against Tafelberg outcome

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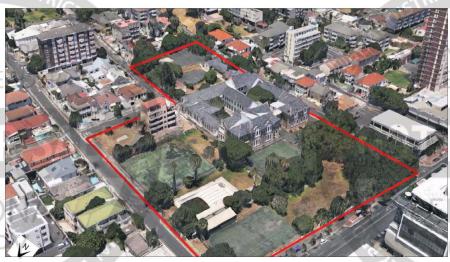
RATEPAYERS' associations have rejected the decision by the provincial government to proceed with the sale of the Tafelberg site in Sea Point, saying it perpetuated the eyele of segregation apartheld created. Three of the inner city's most active ratepayers' and exidents' associations - the Green Point Ratepayers' and Residents' Association, the City Bowl Ratepayers' and Residents' Association, and the Bo-Kaap Civic and Ratepayers Association - threw their weight behind the call or #StopTheSale of the Tafelberg site in Sea Point to the Phyllis Jowell Day School for

Province said the site was not suited to affordable housing

R135 million.

The government decided to proceed with the sale of the Talelberg site.

Premier Helen Zille's spokesperson, Michael Mpofu, said the site was not suited to affordable housing as the state subsidy could not be utilised under national



CONTENTIOUS: The Tafelberg site, which is set to be sold to the Phyllis Jowell Day School.

policy.

Presentations to the evective committee, including the pipeline for affordable housing in the metro, legal advice from senior counsel, affordability risks and fiscal constraints in the current economic climate, were factors that were considered, Mpofu said.

The associations' objections were included in 837 submissions gathered by Reality with support from Ndifuna Ukwazi, and were delivers to a functional to the provincial department of Public Works in June.

Green Point Ratepayers' and Residents' Association deputy chairperson Luke Stevens said

the association was dissatisfied by the decision.

Stevens said it showed the provincial government showed no commitment in redressing apartheid's spatial-planning legacy.

City Bowl Ratepayers' and Residents' Association chairperson Barry Smith said the association, in principle, was against the disposal of scarce and valuable provincial land assets.

Bo-Kaap Civic and Ratepayers Association chairperson Osman Shabootien said hews surprised, given mass demonstrations, that the provincial government would go ahead principle of the province to make decisions.

People were within their democratic right to challenge the decision, she said.

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