

# *Mayor and Speaker must go*

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THE PHOKWANE mayor and Speaker will have to vacate their positions at the municipality after they lost their appeal against their expulsion from the ANC.

In April, the ANC regional disciplinary committee found the mayor, Keosentsemang Kalman, and the Speaker, Horatius Modikgotla, guilty of undermining the decision of the ANC caucus, collaborating with the opposition in council and dividing the ANC in the sub-region.

ANC provincial secretary Deshi Ngxanga said both the Regional Executive Committee (REC) and the Provincial Executive Committee (PEC) had on many occasions attempted to intervene although the “comrades continuously remained defiant”.

He said the provincial disciplinary appeals committee (PDAC) had finalised both appeals.

“It was resolved that the appeals be dismissed and the findings and sanctions of the regional disciplinary committee be upheld. This has resulted in the comrades losing their ANC membership.”

Ngxanga added that the ANC PEC would interact with the REC to “speedily conclude” the appointment of a mayor and Speaker to bring stability to the municipality and ensure that service delivery could be improved.

Meanwhile, J Olyn has been elected as the new executive mayor of the ZF Mgcawu District Municipality.

The former ZF Mgcawu district mayor, Abraham Vosloo, was sworn in as the MEC for the Department of Roads and Public Works last week.