



The Executive Council of the Public Entity Saba

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Saba Dutch Caribbean

Island Council Proposal

No. 2025.1

Island Council meeting: May 22, 2025

Agenda item:

Portfolio holder: Commissioner Zagers

For information: Island Secretary

Annex(es): *Draft Governing Program Execution Agenda 2025 – 2027*

Subject: Governing Program Execution Agenda 2025-2027

Proposal: Approve the Governing Program Execution Agenda 2025-2027

To the Island Council

1. Summary

This is the Public Entity Saba's Governing Program Execution Agenda 2025 – 2027, which translates the governing program vision and goals into measurable outcomes. It focuses on four pillars: **Social Progress and Balanced Growth, Economic Development, Sustainability and the Natural Environment**, and **Good Governance, Accountability, and Transparency**. The agenda outlines ongoing or upcoming initiatives which address various challenges and/or development goals, while also ensuring stakeholder engagement, transparency, and adaptability.

2. Reason Island Council Decision

Island Council needs to formally approve the agenda to ensure that it aligns with the Public Entity Saba's governing program and to have a framework which enables monitoring and the means of holding the executive council accountable for delivering on its commitments.

3. Explanation and overview of policy choices

Not applicable

4. Legal basis

Law Public Entities Bonaire, Sint Eustatius, and Saba (WolBES)

Article 149.1 and 2

Island Ordinances are adopted by the Island Council in as far as the power to do so has not been granted to the Executive Council or the Island Governor pursuant to the law by law or by the Island Council; The other powers referred to in *Article 136, paragraph 1*, lie with the Island Council.

Article 136.1

The authority to regulate and manage the household of the public entity is left to the Island Council.

5. Means Commitment

Not applicable

6. Involvement citizens and agencies

The Execution Agenda was created in close consultation with all department heads, policy advisors, and project workers to ensure accurate input, alignment across various portfolios and that the outlined targets are feasible.

7. Approach and planning

The creation of the Execution Agenda was first assigned to the Head of the Policy and Project Bureau, who is also the coordinator of the Saba Package and so has a broad knowledge base of on-going initiatives within the organization. It was then presented as a topic within the department head meeting, with a request for input on the ambitions outlined in the governing program. Smaller meetings with various department heads were organized to review and revise their submitted information.

Upon completion of these meetings, the draft agenda was created outlining extracted goals from the 2025-2027 governing program and their corresponding initiatives as provided by the department heads, policy advisor and project workers. Thereafter, the draft was first sent to the Executive Council and then to the Island Council for feedback. After incorporating all feedback, the department heads were given an opportunity for a final review before the document was finalized and submitted for approval.

We hereby propose the approval of Public Entity Saba's 2025 – 2027 Governing Program Execution Agenda

The Island Secretary

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Act. Island Governor

S. A. Nicholson