GBV TO TAKE BEATING AS CELEBS ENTER BOXING RING TO RAISE FUNDS

By **BONGANI MAGASELA**

Akira Solomon will host a high-profile celebrity boxing tournament at the Capitol on the Park in Sandton on Sunday to increase awareness about gender-based violence (GBV) and raise funds for a local shelter for abused women.

● Big Zulu to face weatherman Mdlalose in one of three clashes

Solomon chose boxing to spotlight the scourge of GBV because it has massive cultural appeal, making it an excellent platform to elevate anti-GBV messaging to audiences traditional outreach might miss.

"Boxing is more than a combat sport," said Solomon, 27, the owner of Seconds Out Promotions and the daughter of veteran trainer-cum-manager and gym owner Jodi Solomon, the first woman to win Boxing SA's manager of the year award in 2011.

"Boxing can be a transformative sport for men and women, with the power to encourage self-confidence, discipline and control.

"Our mission is to help create a more self-aware and responsible society through the power of boxing, discouraging senseless violence and striving to achieve a more pragmatic mentality."

Solomon said proceeds from the event will be donated to the Frida Hartley Women Shelter in Yeoville to aid them in their mission to empower and protect abused women and children.

The non-profit organisation counsels, rehabilitates, and empowers women and their children, providing accommodation, psycho-social support and a day care centre and pays school fees.

Big Zulu, real name Siyabonga Nene, a multi-award-winning rapper, songwriter, and actor, will square off against TV weather presenter Dicksy Mdlalose.

The muso has fought twice before – defeating Brian "Tommy Kokstad" Dings in 2023 and losing to businessman Phumlani Njilo in December that year.

Njilo is CEO of IBF Funeral Services, which pledged full funeral support for professional boxers in KZN in August.

He will take on Greg "G Shock" Ferrari, best known for his transition from the military to the corporate sphere and exhibition boxing matches.

Veteran international professional boxer David Rajuili will take on Shadow Shabane, who co-runs training sessions with Jodi at her gym in Craighall, Johannesburg.



Muso Big Zulu getting into shape for his boxing match on Sunday./Supplied

THEMBISILE HANI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

BIDS ARE HEREBY INVITED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:

Tender No.	Description	Price Per Bid Document	Compulsory Briefing	Technical Enquiries	Availability of Tender Documents	Closing Date
THLM/ SCM17/2026-2027/WS01	Appointment of a Panel of Service Providers to Provide Temporary Water Supply through Water Tankers within Thembisile Hani Local Municipality as and when required for a Period of 36 Months	R 1 596.17	19 November 2026 @ 10H00 Municipal Shelter	Ms. Sibongile Mtsweni **T:** 013 986 9107 **E:** MtsweniS@thembisilehanilm.gov.za	16 November 2026 @ 10H00 Municipal Shelter	14 December 2026 @ 12H00
THLM/ SCM12/2026-2027/PED03	Appointment of a Panel of Town and Regional Planning Consultants to provide Town and Regional Planning Services to Thembisile Hani Local Municipality as and when required for a Period of 36 Months	R 798.08	N / A	Mr. Sizwe Shongwe **T:** 013 986 9232 **E:** ShongweS@thembisilehanilm.gov.za	17 November 2026 @ 08H00	14 December 2026 @ 12H00
THLM/ SCM13/2026-2027/MM02	Appointment of a Panel of Service Providers for Provision of Events Management Services for THLM for a period of 36 Months	R 1 596.17	N / A	Ms. Simphiwe Mokako **T:** 013 986 9113 **E:** MashiyaneS@thembisilehanilm.gov.za	17 November 2026 @ 08H00	14 December 2026 @ 12H00
THLM/ SCM14/2026-2027/F02	Appointment of a Service Provider for Insurance Broker Services for Short-Term Insurance Cover for Thembisile Hani Local Municipality for a Period of 36 Months	R 1 596.17	N / A	Mr. Richard Makhubele **T:** 013 986 9198 **E:** MakhubeleR@thembisilehanilm.gov.za	17 November 2026 @ 08H00	14 December 2026 @ 12H00
THLM/ SCM15/2026-2027F03	Appointment of a Service Provider for Fueling and Supply of Lubricants for Municipal Fleet as and when required for a Period of 36 Months	R 1 596.17	N / A	Mr. Richard Makhubele **T:** 013 986 9198 **E:** MakhubeleR@thembisilehanilm.gov.za	17 November 2026 @ 08H00	14 December 2026 @ 12H00
THLM/ SCM16/2026-2027/F04	Appointment of a Service Provider for Maintenance and Updating of the GRAP Compliant and MSCOA Aligned Asset Register for a Period of 36 Months	R 1 596.17	N / A	Mr. Richard Makhubele **T:** 013 986 9198 **E:** MakhubeleR@thembisilehanilm.gov.za	17 November 2026 @ 08H00	14 December 2026 @ 12H00

Prospective Service Providers are encouraged to download the tender documents from the E-Tenders Portal according to the dates indicated above at **www.etenders.co.za**. The only time hard copies will be made available is if there are technical challenges from the E-Tenders portal.

Cash and EFT payments will be accepted and must be made payable to Thembisile Hani Local Municipality only for hard copy tender documents, any tender documents which are downloaded from the E-Tender portal are free of charge, the price per document is not applicable to them. Sealed envelopes marked with the tender number as indicated above, must be placed in the bid box at the Municipality's Offices, Stand Number 24, Mthombomuhle (Kwaggafontein C), no later than 12h00 on the above-mentioned dates.

Please take note that no bid documents will be given to couriers unless the courier company is in the possession of a letter on an official letterhead, confirming on behalf of the company the full details of the specific bid(s) to be collected and the payment of the full amount payable for bids is required.

The Council reserves the rights to either accept the whole or part of any bid, or not to appoint. Facsimiles or e-mailed documents will not be accepted. No awards will be made to a person who;

- **Is in the service of the state,**
- **If that person is not a natural person, of which any director, manager, principal shareholder or stakeholder is a person in the service of state.**

A Preferential Point system shall apply whereby a contract will be allocated to a bidder in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No 5 of 2000 and as defined in the Conditions of Tender in the tender document, read in conjunction with the Supply Chain Management Policy of Thembisile Hani Local Municipality and the Preferential Procurement Regulations of 2022 where 80/ 20 points system will be applied wherein 80 points are for price and 20 for Specific Goals.

SCM Enquiries: Mr. S. Baloyi, through Tel: (013) 986 9223, Email: **BaloyiS@thembisilehanilm.gov.za**; Ms. P. Sibiya, through Tel: (013) 986 9153, Email: **SibiyaP@thembisilehanilm.gov.za**.

Municipal Manager – Mr. D.J.D. Mahlangu

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