



REPORT TO: CITY MANAGER

**TO BE REFERRED BY THE OFFICIAL TO MAYCO VIA THE FUTURE PLANNING AND
RESILIENCE SECTION 79 COMMITTEE [AFTER CONSIDERATION BY CITY MANAGER]**

1. ITEM NUMBER

**SUBJECT: FEEDBACK ON THE INTERNATIONAL TRIP UNDERTAKEN TO
GUANGZHOU, CHINA TO ATTEND THE 6TH GUANGZHOU INTERNATIONAL
AWARD FOR URBAN INNOVATION FROM 7-9 DECEMBER 2023.**

**ONDERWERP: TERUGVOERING OOR DIE INTERNASIONALE REIS NA
GUANGZHOU, CHINA VAN 7 TOT 9 DESEMBER 2023 VIR DIE BYWONING VAN
DIE SESDE GUANGZHOU- INTERNASIONALE TOEKENNING VIR STEDELIKE
INNOVASIE**

**ISIHLOKO: INGXELO ENGOHAMBO OLUYA PHESHEYA OLUTHATYATHIWEYO
UKUYA EGUANGZHOU, CHINA LOKUZIMASA UMSITHO WONIKEZELO
LWEEMBASA WE-6 WEHLABATHI EGUANGZHOU EZINGEENGUQU
ZEDOLOPHU UKUSUSELA NGOWE7 UKUYA KOWE9 KWEYOMNGA 2023**

Ref: Q2473

3. EVENT SUMMARY

EVENT DETAILS	
CONFERENCE	Guangzhou International Award for Urban Innovation and Global Mayor's Forum
OTHER	Deliver 1 keynote
DATE	7 – 9 December 2023
VENUE	Guangzhou Baiyun International Convention Centre
TOTAL COST TO THE CITY	R14 618.62
CITY	Guangzhou
COUNTRY	China

ATTENDEE DETAILS	
NAME AND SURNAME	DESIGNATION
Tamsin Faragher	Principal Resilience Officer

PROVIDE SUMMARY OF HOST ORGANISATION
The event is organised by the Guangzhou International Award for Urban Innovation in partnership with the Guangzhou Municipality. It aims to promote exchanges between international cities and regional governments on urban governance innovation, to further implement the United Nation Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the New Urban Agenda (NUA), and encourage global cities to participate in global governance, so as to contribute their wisdom to a more equitable and coordinated system of global governance. It convenes the forum in partnership with Metropolis, United Cities and Local Governments, Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries and Global Mayors Forum.

4. OBJECTIVE

The City of Cape Town's Food Systems Programme was one of 15 shortlisted submissions to the prestigious Guangzhou International Award for Urban Innovation (the Guangzhou Award). The objective of the trip was therefore to attend the awards ceremony on Thursday, 7 December followed by the Global Mayor's Forum on Friday 8 December and Saturday 9 December 2023. The organisers invited Ms. Faragher and Cllr Carls (who represented the Mayor) to attend these events.

The reason for attending was to (1) attend the awards ceremony; (2) deliver a keynote at the Global Mayor's Forum convening; and (3) participate in a media briefing with Cllr Carls.

The Food Systems Programme was awarded a Medal of Honour, in addition to a Scholarship Certificate for IDE Programme. The details of the latter are unknown at this time, clarification regarding the scholarship is awaited.

5. OUTCOMES

Participation enhanced the City's global profile as a global leader in innovation and food systems and the media briefing expanded the City's audience beyond the events.

Exposure to other ideas and connections to cities offers opportunities to deepen our practice in areas such as wastewater management in informal settlements and informal trade management.

Further knowledge exchanges are planned, but details are not available at this time.

The Scholarship Certificate is for one student to attend the International Design Education (IDE) Programme. It is a cooperation programme between the United Nations Technology Bank for the Least Developed Countries (UN Technology Bank), the World Eco-Design Conference (WEDC) and Zhejiang University, Ningbo (ZJUNB). It was launched in 2021 and is funded by ZJUNB. The postgraduate programme is 2.5 years and is open to 50 eligible students each year. The student who successfully completes the Programme will be conferred with a Master's degree in Industrial Design Engineering.

The application guide for the next intake of the IDE Programme is expected to be issued next month (February, 2024).

6. ACTIONS REQUIRED

No further action is required.

7. IMPLICATIONS

7.1	Constitutional and Policy Implications	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
7.2	Environmental implications	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
7.3	Financial Implications	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
7.4	Legal Implications	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
7.5	Staff Implications	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
7.6	Risk Implications	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
7.7	<u>POPIA Compliance</u>		

- ☒ It is confirmed that this report has been checked and considered for POPIA Compliance.

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The City has a contract in place with XL Embassy Travel for the safe-keeping of Traveler's personal information as required by the POPI Act.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the feedback report on the trip to the Guangzhou International Award for Urban Innovation and Global Mayor's Forum undertaken by Ms. Faragher on 7-9 December 2023 **be considered and noted.**

AANBEVELINGS

Daar word aanbeveel dat die terugvoeringsverslag oor me Faragher se reis van 7 tot 9 Desember 2023 ten opsigte van die Guangzhou- internasionale toekenning vir stedelike innovasie en die globale burgemeestersforum oorweeg word, en dat daarvan kennis geneem word.

IZINDULULO

Kundululwe ukuba makuthathelwe ingqalelo kwaye kuqwalaselwe ingxelo engohambo oluya kuNikezelo ngeeMbasa zeHlabathi eGuangzhou ezingeeNguqu zeDolophu kunye neForam yeHlabathi yooSodolophu oluthatyathwe nguNksk Faragher ukususela ngowe7 ukuya kowe9 kweyoMnga 2023.

9. GENERAL DISCUSSION

The Food Systems Programme work was awarded a Medal of Honour at the awards. Site visits to a dried food market and canal rehabilitation project were arranged at Ms. Faragher's request. Even though Chinese culture and practice differs to South Africa's, there were nevertheless similarities and learnings.

The canal project illustrated similar approaches to stormwater management and challenges, but also illustrated success in ecological restoration in highly urban areas. The market visit highlighted the important role of municipal-run markets and their local and international economic potential.

The combination of awards and forum events such as the Pearl River Cruise and visit to the Waste Centre provided opportunities to learn about how other

cities are approaching SDG goals and challenges, as well as witness cutting edge technology within a mega-city context.

10. ANNEXURES

Annexure A – Thank you letter from ZHAN Decun; Director General of Foreign Affairs Office; Guangzhou Municipal People's Government

FOR FURTHER DETAILS, CONTACT:

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SIGNATURE :			

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

GARETH MORGAN

The ED's signature represents support for report content and confirms POPIA compliance.

SIGNATURE:

NAME

DATE

COMMENT:

Report is noted. The report is submitted late according to the expectations for delivery of feedback reports post travel. Ms Faragher has written a memo apologising for the late report, and providing reasons. I have in response emphasised the importance of such reports being returned on time.

MANAGER: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

DR. DENVER VAN SCHALKWYK

SIGNATURE:

DATE

COMMENT:

☐ REPORT COMPLIANT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF COUNCIL'S DELEGATIONS, POLICIES, BY-LAWS AND ALL LEGISLATION RELATING TO THE MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION.

LEGAL COMPLIANCE

☐ NON-COMPLIANT

COMMENT:

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TEL _____

DATE _____

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CITY MANAGER

☒ NOTED

☒ REFER TO THE MAYORAL COMMITTEE VIA THE RELEVANT SECTION 79 COMMITTEE

DATE _____

COMMENT:
