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DATE 9 September 2015
TO The Executive Mayor
P de Lille

ITEM 01/09/09/15

Dear Madam Mayor,

The **attached** undermentioned Feedback Trip Report is submitted to you for consideration and noting:

FEEDBACK ON THE INTERNATIONAL TRIP UNDERTAKEN FROM 26 JUNE 2015 TO 05 JULY 2015 TO REPRESENT THE SOUTH AFRICAN FIRE SERVICES AND TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WORLD POLICE FIREFIGHTER GAMES THAT WAS HELD IN FAIRFAX VIRGINIA, WASHINGTON

K. Daniels

pp Mrs Rehana Razack
Manager: Executive Committee Services
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REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR

LC139/01

CM2067

1. ITEM NUMBER

2. SUBJECT

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3. EVENT SUMMARY

EVENT DETAILS	
CONFERENCE/SEMINAR	WORLD POLICE AND FIRE GAMES
OTHER	REPRESENTING SOUTH AFRICAN FIRE SERVICES AND PARTICIPATING AS A TEAM IN THE WORLD POLICE AND FIRE GAMES
DATE	26 JUNE 2015 TO 05 JULY 2015
VENUE	FAIRFAX
CITY	VIRGINIA , WASHINGTON
COUNTRY	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

WESTERN CAPE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

Promoting the image and interest of the Fire & Emergency Services

NPO Registration No: 020598



LIST OF MEDALS OF SOUTH AFRICAN TEAM THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE WORLD POLICE AND FIRE GAMES - FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA THAT WAS HELD ON 26 JUNE 2015 TO 5 JULY 2015

South African team consisted of 29 members, 23 City of Cape Town, 1 Sol Plaatje Municipality, 2 Pietermaritzburg, 1 Gauteng, 1 Port Elizabeth, 1 Correctional Services, Pretoria. Team won 12 medals overall, 4 Gold Medals, 4 Silver medals, 4 Bronze Medals.

Tug of War: Catch Weight - Silver Medal

Yoogen Naicker
Mark Smith
Francis van der Byl
Mzuzile Makeleni
Nathan Michaels
Riaan Senekal
Cedric Daniels
Morne Haskell

Heavy Weight - Silver Medal

Yoogen Naicker
Mark Smith
Francis van der Byl
Leon Agulhas
Richard Erasmus
Nathan Michaels
Jonathan Pillay
Riaan Senekal

Track & Field: 800m - R. Booysen - Bronze
3000m Steeplechase - R. Booysen - Gold
Hammer Throw - R. Senekal - Bronze
High Jump - F. Forbay - Gold
Triple Jump - K. Breedt - Gold
Long Jump - K. Breedt - Bronze
110m Long Hurdles - K. Breedt - Bronze

Wrist Wrestling: M. Haskell - Silver

Tennis: Singles 50+ - Christa - Silver

Doubles 50+ - Christa - Gold

Kind Regards

Mrs. A.F. Wehr

Secretary

WESTERN CAPE

FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

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Date

5 August 2015

ATTENDEE DETAILS

NAME AND SURNAME	DESIGNATION
Nathan Pretorius	SENIOR FIREFIGHTER
Francis Forbay	DIVISIONAL COMMANDER
Mark Smith	STATION COMMANDER
Arlene Wehr	DIVISIONAL COMMANDER
Morne Haskell	PLATOON COMMANDER
Ashley Du Plessis	FIREFIGHTER
Leandra Booysen	FIREFIGHTER
Garvin Gordon	FIREFIGHTER
Alroy Pieterse	FIREFIGHTER
Nathan Michaels	PLATOON COMMANDER
Virgel Cloete	STATION COMMANDER
Charles Hendricks	PLATOON COMMANDER
Francis Van Der Byl	DIVISIONAL COMMANDER
Ruben Booysen	SENIOR FIREFIGHTER
Graham Samuels	STATION COMMANDER
Richard Erasmus	SENIOR FIREFIGHTER
Andre Fortuin	FIREFIGHTER
Mark Hutchinson	SENIOR FIREFIGHTER
Llewellyn Lackay	FIREFIGHTER
Dino Levendall	SENIOR FIREFIGHTER
Leon Agulhas	STATION COMMANDER
Cedric Daniels	STATION COMMANDER
Gershwin Cloete	FIREFIGHTER

PROVIDE SUMMARY OF HOST ORGANISATION / CITY

In 1985, the World Police & Fire Games Federation, a non-profit organization, run by the Californian Police Athletics Federation, established the World Police & Fire Games. Today, the World Police & Fire Games are a spectacular international sporting event, offering police officers, firefighters, customs and correction officers from around the world an opportunity to showcase their athletic excellence in over 65 sporting events.

The Games attract approximately 10,000 entrants, slightly fewer than the Summer Olympic Games, and exceeding the third position holder, the Commonwealth Games. In the early 2010s, The United Kingdom hosted all three events consecutively; the 2012 Summer Olympics in London, England, followed by the 2013 World Police and Fire Games in Belfast, Northern Ireland, and ending with Glasgow, Scotland, hosting the 2014 Commonwealth Games - the first time all three events have been hosted by the same nation consecutively.

Fairfax 2015, Inc is a nonprofit 501(c) 3 corporation established to organize, manage and operate all activities related to the 2015 World Police & Fire Games. Our primary objective is to honor and celebrate our community heroes – public safety officers from around the world – by delivering an amazing athlete experience and fully engaging the community to produce the best Games possible. 12,000 professional, public safety athletes from 70 countries competing in 60+ sports to qualify for over 1,600 medal events

Held biennially, the World Police & Fire Games will be held in Fairfax County, Virginia, USA in 2015, Montreal, Canada in 2017 and Chengdu, China in 2019. The size and scope of the games continues to grow, with both the attendance and number of participating countries steadily increasing. The international community eagerly bids for the rights and opportunity to hold this exciting event. Previous hosts have included: 1995 - Melbourne, Australia, 1999 - Stockholm, Sweden, 2003 - Barcelona, Spain, 2013 - Belfast, Northern Ireland. On the average, one and one-half person accompany each competitor. This means that a total of 15,000-30,000 visitors come to the Host City and its environs during the 10 day event, creating an exciting and rewarding community-wide sporting and cultural event. In addition, the economic impact of the "Games" is substantial, not only during the Games but before and after as well, as many competitors and their guests remain in the area or arrive early for their vacation/holidays.

4. OBJECTIVE

The World Police and Fire Games was established as an inclusive event celebrating the camaraderie, heroism, health, fitness and spirit of the men and women who work and volunteer in one of the world's most respected professions.

With the traditional values of sport as its cornerstone, the Games has always been envisaged as an event to celebrate fire fighters , Police and Law Enforcement, allowing them to experience new places, cultures and the people whose communities we strive across the world to help protect.

5. OUTCOMES

Other: Sports Tour – International Police and Fire Games Sporting event. Networking with other Fire Services, Police and other Law Enforcement Agencies across the world on various challenges that we are faced with within our respective Cities and how to effectively deal with these challenges in a objective and dynamic manner.

- ☐ - Partnership Agreement
- ☐ - Membership Agreement
- ☐ - Grants Agreement
- ☐ - Memorandum of Understanding
- ☐ - Statement of Intent
- ☒ - Other

6. ACTIONS REQUIRED

Stepping up measures to improve communications with all Safety and Security Agencies both internal and external, with a view to future participation in local, national and international sporting events of this nature.

7. IMPLICATIONS

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| 7.1 | <u>Constitutional and Policy Implications</u> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.2 | <u>Environmental implications</u> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.3 | <u>Financial Implications</u> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |

7.4 Legal Implications

No ☒

Yes ☐

7.5 Staff Implications

No ☒

Yes ☐

7.6 Risk Implications

No ☒

Yes ☐

8. OTHER SERVICES CONSULTED

NONE

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDED that report be noted:

10. GENERAL DISCUSSION

See Annexure A & B:

11. ANNEXURES

Annexure A : Memorandum – WPFG General Information
Annexure B: List of medals & Games Pictures

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11/08/2015



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

NAME

DATE

Comment:

NOTED




MANAGER INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
Denver van Schalkwyk

Comment:

NOTED

DATE

13:08:2015



CITY MANAGER

ACHMAT EBRAHIM

☒ SUPPORTED FOR ONWARD SUBMISSION TO
MAYOR ☐ / MAYCO ☐ / COUNCIL ☐

☐ NOT SUPPORTED

☐ REFERRED BACK

DATE

14.08.2015

COMMENT:

A.S. Dumas
LEGAL COMPLIANCE

NAME

A.S. Dumas

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18-08-15

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

☐ NON-COMPLIANT

Comment:

for nothing *S*

[Signature]

MAYORAL COMMITTEE MEMBER

NAME

DATE

20-08-2015

COMMENT:

Excellent event that
builds morale. City
should make larger
contribution to costs.

A. G. R.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: COMPLIANCE &
AUXILLARY SERVICES

GERHARD RAS

☐ SUPPORTED FOR ONWARD SUBMISSION

☐ NOT SUPPORTED

☐ REFERRED BACK

COMMENT:

Noted

DATE

28/8/15

Patricia de Lille

EXECUTIVE MAYOR

PATRICIA DE LILLE

AGING

☐ SUPPORTED FOR ONWARD SUBMISSION TO
MAYCO ☐ / COUNCIL ☐

☐ PC RECOMMENDATION

☐ RECOMMENDATION AS CONTAINED IN
ORIGINAL REPORT

☐ ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATION TO BE
REFLECTED BELOW

☒ APPROVED I.T.O. DELEGATED AUTHORITY

☒ NOTED

☐ REFUSED

☐ REFERRED BACK

DATE

11/9/2015



2015-08-05

**RE: BIENNIAL WORLD POLICE AND FIRE GAMES THAT WAS HELD IN FAIRFAX
VIRGINIA, WASHINGTON FROM 26 JUNE 2015 UNTIL 05 JULY 2015**

The World Police and Fire Fighter Games was established as an inclusive event celebrating the camaraderie, heroism, health, fitness and spirit of the men and women who work and volunteer in one of the world's most respected professions.

With the traditional values of sport as its cornerstone, the Games has always been envisaged as an event to celebrate the Police, fire fighters, Law Enforcement and other agencies and simultaneously allow all, to experience new places, cultures and the people whose communities we strive across the world to help protect.

The biennial Police and Fire Games commenced on Friday, 26 June 2015 and usually attract competitors from over 70 Countries. This year, approximately 10 000 participants competed in over 61 different sporting codes, making the Games one of the largest participation sporting event.

The opening ceremony was held in Stadium Armory (RFK Stadium), with 70 Countries taking part in the march. The scenery and overall experience was spectacular and ended with live entertainment

Team SA comprised teams from Cape Town (23) Pietermaritzburg (2) Tshwane (2), Port Elizabeth (1) and Sol Plaatjie (1) totalling 29 participants. There was no time for too much sightseeing as the Games kicked off on Friday, 26 June 2015.

Attached please find the results and pictures of Team South Africa comprising of Cape Town, Tshwane, Sol Plaatjie, Port Elizabeth and Pietermaritzburg competitors.

Many sporting codes were registered for by our members and we have seen some good attendance of the events overall. There may have been a few members who could not attend all of their scheduled events, for various reasons and we are in discussions with them to determine reasons as well as reimbursement of registration fees already paid.

The Western Cape Firefighters Association is mindful of the fact that all its members belong to ESRA and are governed by the provisions of the Employers Staff Sport policy dated June 2011.

We are currently looking at fitness levels and full participation of the various team members in order for us to improve in all aspects of our future attendance of the World Police and Fire Games. The overall conduct of the various South Africans was exemplary in all aspects. Despite the unfavourable exchange rate between the SA Rand and the US. Dollar which placed severe limitations on our fiscal freedom, it was a wonderful experience visiting a world class City like Fairfax.

After the conclusion of the Games a short two night stopover was held in Dubai, which was fully paid for by the members concerned.

In conclusion, the Cape Town team would like to thank the City of Cape Town, The Executive Mayor - Patricia De Lille, the Councillor for Safety and Security, Hon JP Smith, The City Manager - Mr A. Ebrahim, The Executive Director - Safety and Security- Mr. R Bosman, the Chief Fire Officer - Mr. I Schnetler, as well as the Western Cape Firefighters Association, for the support and contributions without which, the entire tour would not have been successful.

A special thanks to Mrs. A Wehr, who had planned and organized the entire trip almost singlehandedly and therefore deserves a lot of credit for the successful outcome.

Signed and submitted on behalf of the Cape Town Team by

Steve Abrahamse

Chairperson of the Western Cape Fire Fighters Association

S. Abrahamse

05-08-2015
Date

**Mr S.F. ABRAHAMSE
DIVISIONAL COMMANDER:
District North Operations**











