

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 FPR 20/08/24

### 2. SUBJECT

FEEDBACK ON THE INTERNATIONAL/OUTSIDE THE BORDERS OF THE RSA TRIP UNDERTAKEN FROM 8 TO 17 MARCH 2024 TO BELLAGIO TO ATTEND THE RESILIENT CITIES NETWORK'S (RCN) INVESTING IN RESILIENCE FOR ALL CONVENING IN ITALY

#### **ONDERWERP**

TERUGVOERING OOR DIE REIS NA DIE BUITELAND / BUITE DIE GRENSE VAN DIE RSA ONDERNEEM VAN 8 TOT 17 MAART 2024 OM DIE NETWERK VAN VEERKRAGTIGE STEDE (RCN) SE "INVESTING IN RESILIENCE FOR ALL"-BYEENKOMS IN BELLAGIO, ITALIË BY TE WOON

### **ISIHLOKO**

INGXELO **EMALUNGA KUMAZWE** NEHAMBO APHESHEYA/ ANGAPHANDLE **KWEMIDA YASEMZANTSI AFRIKA EQHUTYWE** UKUSUSELA NGOWE 8 UKUYA KOWE17 KWEYOKWINDLA 2024 UKUZIMASA INDIBANO **ENGEZOTHUNGELWANO LWEZIXEKO** KWEZOTYALOMALI NGOKULUQILIMA NGOKUJOLISWE KUBO BONKE ABAFANELEKILEYO, ESE ITALY

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### 3. EVENT SUMMARY

EVENT DETAILS			
CONFERENCE/SEMINAR	Investing in Resilience for All Convening		
OTHER			
DATE	8-17 March 2024		
VENUE	Bellagio Centre		
TOTAL COST TO THE CITY	R20 671. 65		
CITY	Bellagio		
COUNTRY	ITALY		

ATTENDEE DETAILS		
NAME AND SURNAME	DESIGNATION	
Mr Gareth Morgan	ED: FP&R	

#### PROVIDE SUMMARY OF HOST ORGANISATION / CITY

- Cape Town is a member of the Resilent Cities Network (RCN), which brings together global knowledge, practice, partnerships, and funding to empower member cities as related to resilience efforts as guided by their City Resilience Strategy. The RCN's work is broadly organised into three pillars: Climate Resilience, Circularity and Equity.
- **Bellagio** is a town located 90 minutes from Milan, and is its own comune (municipality), situated in the Province of Como in the Lombardy region.

#### 4. OBJECTIVE

The ED Future Planning and Resilience (FPR) was invited by the RCN to convene with select other city representativs and urban resilience practitioners to contribute to:

- Establishing a new programme for urban resilience relating to infrastructure that supports resilience outcomes, particularly climate resilience outcomes. This could have downstream opportunities for Cape Town in technical assistance.
- Reflect on the decade of city urban resilience practice considering that 2024 marked the 10-years anniversary of the establishment of 100 Resilient Cities.

#### 5. OUTCOMES

The ED FPR's contributions at the convening played a substantial role in steering the outcomes of the event. Cape Town's portfolio approach to infrastructure management, its tagging mechanism for resilience in the portfolio, and its portfolio analysis, including specific climate change analysis, was regarded as best practice world-wide, and worthy of replication in other cities, to the extent possible.

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RCN will now attempt to set a programme that learns from Cape Town that can be used to support the portfolio approach to resilience infrastructure in select other cities around the world.

One additional outcome was a decision to attempt to positively influence the development of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's (IPCC) dedicated report on cities, which is expected to be published in 2027.

### 6. ACTIONS REQUIRED

The ED FPR has been requested by RCN to contribute to a problem statement and concept note for the purpose of RCN building a programme on the portfolio approach to resilience infrastructure. This will happen before end of June 2024.

The ED FPR, working with Director Risk and Resilience, will continue to explore new technical assistance opportunities from RCN. It should be noted that RCN is funding a multi-city event on energy in Cape Town in August 2024, so there is considerable support which needs to be actioned by the Risk and Resilience Department and the Sustainable Energy Markets Department.

### 7. IMPLICATIONS

7.1	Constitutional and Policy Implications	No 🖂	Yes 🗌
7.2	Environmental implications	No 🖂	Yes 🗌
7.3	Financial Implications	No 🖂	Yes 🗌
7.4	Legal Implications	No 🖂	Yes 🗌
7.5	Staff Implications	No 🖂	Yes 🗌
7.6	Risk Implications	No 🖂	Yes 🗌

## 7.7 POPIA Compliance

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 safekeeping of Traveller's personal information as required by the POPI Act.

### 8. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the feedback report on the trip to attend the Resilient Cities Network's (RCN) Investing in Resilience for All Convening in Italy undertaken by Mr Gareth Morgan (Executive Director: Future Planning and Resilience) on 8 to 17 March 2024 **be considered and noted.** 

#### **AANBEVELING**

Daar word aanbeveel dat die terugvoeringsverslag oor die reis onderneem deur mnr. Gareth Morgan (uitvoerende direkteur: toekomsbeplanning en veerkragtigheid) om van 8 tot 17 Maart 2024 die netwerk vir veerkragtige stede (RCN) se "Investing in Resilience for All"-byeenkoms in Italië by te woon, oorweeg word en daarvan kennis geneem word.

### **IZINDULULO**

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### 9. GENERAL DISCUSSION

The City has a strong relationship with RCN, the successor to 100 Resilient Cities. The current membership period runs from 1 May 2022 to 30 June 2025. RCN is currently supporting the City, more specifically the Sustainable Energy Markets Department, on the "Urban Power Programme". In addition, RCN is funding a multicity energy event in Cape Town in August 2024. The relationship with RCN continues to generate support and benefits to the City, following the considerable support provided by 100 Resilient Cities to the City between 2017 and 2019 with regards to the development of the Cape Town Resilience Strategy.

The event in Bellagio brought together approximately 20 participants including representatives from four cities (Cape Town, Oakland, Penang and Milan) and various representatives of finance organisations, the scientific community and other city multi-lateral organisations. The event marked the 10-year anniversary of the creation of 100 Resilient Cities (which ceased to exist in 2019) and city resilience movement. It was hence a good opportunity to reflect on both the progress and challenges with the uptake of the urban resilience practice in cities.

Cape Town was widely regarded by participants at the event as being at the forefront of the urban resilience practice in the world. There is notable praise for Cape Town's mainstreaming of resilience into corporate processes such as risk management, strategy management, performance management and capital management. Despite the Day Zero drought event now having concluded about six years ago, this event still fascinates practitioners from elsewhere in the world and is regarded as a major case study for other cities.

The ED FPR presented the City's portfolio approach to infrastructure management to the participants, including the climate change analysis of the portfolio. This was impactful in steering the direction of the convening. Most cities, when responding to resilience challenges, focus on projects rather than portfolios of projects, and hence the Cape Town approach was regarded as novel. The City's openness about plausible climate shocks that are both well catered for in the portfolio and not well catered for in the portfolio was appreciated.

As an outcome of the event, the participants were of the view that Cape Town's approach is worthy of replication in other cities. The finance institutions saw great value in the approach. The City will hence be called on more to share its practices with other cities, and ultimately for the purpose of RCN designing a new programme that can support cities to make their pipeline of projects more robust in the future.

### 10. ANNEXURES

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