

REPORT TO: THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE MAYORAL COMMITTEE [MAYCO]

AND FUTURE PLANNING AND RESILIENCE SECTION 79 COMMITTEE

1. ITEM NUMBER

2. SUBJECT

FEEDBACK ON THE INTERNATIONAL / OUTSIDE THE BORDERS OF THE RSA TRIP UNDERTAKEN FROM 14 TO 21 JULY 2023 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BLOOMBERG HARVARD CITY LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE PROGRAMME IN NEW YORK CITY, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (USA)

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TERUGVOERING OOR DIE INTERNASIONALE REIS WAT VAN 14 TOT 21 JULIE 2023 ONDERNEEM IS OM DEEL TE NEEM AAN DIE BLOOMBERG HARVARD STADSLEIERSKAPSINISIATIEFPROGRAM IN NEW YORK CITY, VERENIGDE STATE VAN AMERIKA (VSA)

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INGXELO ESEMVA KOHAMBO KUMAZWE APHESHEYA / ANGAPHANDLE KWEMIDA YASEMZANTSI AFRIKA EQHUTYWE UKUSUSELA NGOWE14 UKUYA KOWAMA21 KWEYEKHALA 2023 UKUTHABATHA INXAXHEBA KWINKQUBO ENGEPHULO LOBUNKOKHELI YESIXEKO SASEBLOOMBERG HARVARD, ESEYORK CITY, E-UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (USA)

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3. EVENT SUMMARY

EVENT DETAILS	
CONFERENCE/SEMINAR	
OTHER	Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Initiative Programme
DATE	14 – 21 July 2023
VENUE	Bloomberg LPC
TOTAL COST TO THE CITY	R25 000 (Tuition, accommodation, airfare, and ground transport, as well as meals were sponsored by the organisers).
CITY	New York
COUNTRY	USA

ATTENDEE DETAILS		
NAME AND SURNAME	DESIGNATION	
Ald Geordin Hill-Lewis	EXECUTIVE MAYOR	

PROVIDE SUMMARY OF HOST ORGANISATIONS / CITY

Bloomberg Philanthropies works in 700 cities worldwide to spread best practices and help mayors expand their capacity to do big things. These efforts include collaborating to fight noncommunicable diseases, supporting local climate change efforts, empowering leaders with better data on carbon emissions and air pollution, using public art to strengthen communities, improving public schools, addressing the causes of the racial wealth gap, and providing pro bono expertise to help mayors tackle their priorities.

Bloomberg Center for Cities at Harvard University was founded in 2021. It is a fast-growing global community committed to improving public management, leadership, and governance. The Bloomberg Center for Cities is an unprecedented cross-Harvard collaboration that unites expertise focused on cities across disciplines and schools to produce research, train leaders, and develop resources for global use. The Center is designed to have widespread impact on the future of cities, where more than half of the world's people now live, by informing and inspiring local government leaders, scholars, students, and others who work to improve the lives of residents around the world.

With a 2020 population of 8,804,190, **New York City** is the most populous city in the United States. The City is a global cultural, financial, high-tech, entertainment, and media centre with a significant influence on commerce, health care, technology, and sports globally. Home to the headquarters of the United Nations, New York City is also an important centre for international diplomacy.

4. OBJECTIVE

To participate in the Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Initiative Programme that is exclusively for selected mayors and city leaders from around the world.

5. OUTCOMES

Successfully participated in the above-mentioned Programme's introductory inperson sessions. Over the course of the next year until June 2024, monthly virtual classes will be attended to successfully complete the Programme.

6. ACTIONS REQUIRED

See Outcomes

7. IMPLICATIONS 7.1 Constitutional and Policy Implications No ⋈ Yes □ 7.2 Environmental implications No ⋈ Yes □ 7.3 Financial Implications No ⋈ Yes □

7.5 Staff Implications No ⊠ Yes □

7.6 Risk Implications No ⊠ Yes □

7.7 POPIA Compliance

Legal Implications

7.4

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

NOTE: POPIA Section <u>MUST</u> be completed otherwise the report will be returned to the author for revision.

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Yes 🗌

Contact your Directorate POPIA Stewards should you require assistance.

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 for the Executive Mayor to participate in the Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Initiative Programme in New York City from 14 July to 21 July 2023 be considered and noted.

AANBEVELING

Daar word aanbeveel dat daar kennis geneem word van die terugvoerverslag oor die reis deur die uitvoerende burgemeester onderneem van 14 tot 21 Julie 2023 na New York City om deel te naam aan die Bloomberg Harvard Stadsleierskapsinisiatiefprogram en dit oorweeg word.

ISINDULULO

Kundululwe ukuba **makuthathelwe ingqalelo kwaye kuqwalaselwe** ingxelo engasemva kohambo lukaSodolophu weSigqeba elalijolise kwindibano yeNkqubo engePhulo lezoBunkokheli leSixeko saseBloomberg Harvard eNew York City ukusuela ngowe14 ukuya kowama21 kweyeKhala 2023.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

The Programme is highly focused on the capacity building of city leaders by aiming at advancing their ability to work across agencies, jurisdictions, and sectors to solve critical social challenges. In addition, it aims to increase their capacity to use data and evidence to solve key problems, improve performance, optimise public resources, and expanding their ability to think outside the box to address problems.

Mayor Hill-Lewis is part of the seventh class of mayors participating in the Programme. This year's mayors come from six continents including Africa (2) (both from South Africa), Asia (1), Europe (4), Oceania (1), North America (31), and South America (1). Forty percent (16) of these mayors are from cities with populations between 200,000 and one million people, 45 percent (18) are from cities with less than 200,000, and 15 percent of the mayors (six) are from cities with populations over one million people; the latter includes Cape Town.

The in-person classes, taught by the Harvard Kennedy Business School, allowed participants to step back from the day-to-day to focus on leadership and organisational practices. Central concepts included leading with and beyond formal authority, building high-performing teams and organisations, motivating change, negotiation, innovation and experimentation, collaborating across departments and sectors, citizen engagement, and using data and evidence to improve decisionmaking. The classes was of such nature that it put mayors at the centre of their learning experience as active participants, not just observers.

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EXECUTIVE MAYOR & FP&R MAYCO MEMBER

COMMENT:

SIGNATURE: NAME

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DATE

☐ REPORT COMPLIANT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF COUNCIL'S DELEGATIONS, POLICIES, BY-LAWS AND <u>ALL</u> LEGISLATION RELATING TO THE MATTER UNDER
CONSIDERATION.
☐ NON-COMPLIANT
COMMENT:
Certified as legally compliant based on the contents of the report.