



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

2. SUBJECT

**FEEDBACK ON THE INTERNATIONAL/OUTSIDE THE BORDERS OF THE
RSA TRIP UNDERTAKEN FROM 22 – 27 SEPTEMBER 2024 TO JOIN
RESILIENT CITIES NETWORK AT NEW YORK CLIMATE WEEK**

ONDERWERP

**TERUGVOERING OOR DIE INTERNASIONALE REIS (BUITE DIE GRENSE
VAN DIE RSA) VAN 22 TOT 27 SEPTEMBER 2024 VIR DEELNAME AAN
DIE NETWERK VAN VEERKRAGTIGE STEDE (“RESILIENT CITIES
NETWORK”) BY DIE NEW YORK- KLIMAATSWEEK**

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**INGXELO ENGEMVA KOHAMBO OLUYA PHESHEYA/NGAPHANDLE
KWEMIDA YOMZANTSI AFRIKA OLUTHATYATHWE UKUSUSELA
NGOWAMA22 UKUYA KOWAMA27 KWEYOMSINTSI 2024
LOKUZIBANDAKANYA NOTHUNGELWANO LWEZIXEKO EZOMELELEYO
KWIVEKI ENGEMOZULU YASENEW YORK**

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3. EVENT SUMMARY

EVENT DETAILS	
CONFERENCE/SEMINAR	New York Climate Week (multiple)
OTHER	
DATE	<i>22 September 2024 – 27 September 2024</i>
VENUE	New York, United States of America
TOTAL COST TO THE CITY	<i>R55 673.91</i>
CITY	New York
COUNTRY	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
ATTENDEE DETAILS	
NAME AND SURNAME	DESIGNATION
Daniel Sullivan	DIRECTOR: RISK AND RESILIENCE
PROVIDE SUMMARY OF HOST ORGANISATION / CITY	
<p>Resilient Cities (R-Cities) Network is a network which is dedicated to advancing the urban resilience agenda and advocating for solutions and resilient finance in order that cities can thrive in the face of multiple urban challenges – especially in light of climate change.</p> <p>The City of Cape Town has been an active member of the network since 2017 and maintains strong relationships through its Chief Resilience Officer.</p>	

4. OBJECTIVE

The Resilient Cities Network invited the Chief Resilience Officer (CRO) Daniel Sullivan to join them at the New York Climate Week for the convening of key R-Cities network sessions. Further, the New York Climate, which occurred in New York at the same time, offered a unique opportunity for cities like Cape Town to showcase engage with panels around resilient finance, climate and health, and climate change response and action more broadly.

5. OUTCOMES

- Engaged with risk and technology professionals on tools to evaluate the cost of building in climate risk resilience into project design at a conference organised by Howden and Microsoft.
- Provided input to the Resilience Finance workstream of the Resilient Cities Network, on the integration of resilience considerations into infrastructure delivery and informed proposals for how the City of Cape Town can help to inform the R-Cities network's programme in this regard.

- Presented on a high-level panel of international experts on the launch of Urban Climate-Health Action report – a report that was informed by the City’s Urban Health Programme and Climate Change work.
- Attended multiple sessions of the NY climate week to explore trends in climate action, including voluntary carbon markets and implementation/financing of nature based solutions.

6. ACTIONS REQUIRED

Risk and Resilience Department to take forward discussions with R-Cities and relevant City departments with regard to building out global practices for embedding resilience into infrastructure planning and delivery.

Director: Risk and Resilience to explore opportunities for technical support from R-Cities for infrastructure planning.

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.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the feedback report on the trip undertaken by Daniel Sullivan from 22 to 27 September 2024 to join the Resilient Cities Network in New York Climate Week, be considered and noted.

AANBEVELINGS

Daar word aanbeveel dat die terugvoeringsverslag oor Daniel Sullivan se reis van 22 tot 27 September 2024 om deel te wees van die netwerk van

veerkragtige stede by die New York-klimaatsweek oorweeg word, en dat daarvan kennis geneem word.

IZINDULULO

Kundululwe ukuba makuthathelwe ingqalelo kwaye kuqwalaselwe ingxelo engemva kohambo oluthatyathwe nguDaniel Sullivan ukususela ngowama22 ukuya kowama27 kweyoMsintsi 2024 lokuzibandakanya nothungelwano lweZixeko ezomeleleyo kwiveki engemozulu yaseNew York.

9. GENERAL DISCUSSION

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During the visit with the Resilient Cities Network, Daniel was able to:

Engage with risk and technology professionals on tools to evaluate the cost of building in climate risk resilience into project design at a conference organised by Howden and Microsoft.

Provide input to the Resilience Finance workstream of the Resilient Cities Network, on the integration of resilience considerations into infrastructure delivery and informed proposals for how the City of Cape Town can help to inform the R-Cities network's programme in this regard.

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Annexure A: New York City Climate Week- Resilient Cities Convening Notes

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: FUTURE PLANNING AND RESILIENCE

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

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SIGNATURE:

NAME

DATE

MANAGER: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

COMMENT:

DR. DENVER VAN SCHALKWYK

SIGNATURE:

DATE

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LEGAL COMPLIANCE

☐ NON-COMPLIANT

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THE RELEVANT SECTION 79 COMMITTEE

DATE

COMMENT:
