



Public Participation of the Property Rates Policy Review Commences Soon

Invitation to make comments or suggestions to the (2018/19) Rates Policy

The City of Johannesburg is calling on property owners to shape the 2018/2019 Property Rates Policy by taking part in the public consultation meetings that will be held within the City.

The first phase of the public meetings will be held on Saturday, 27th January 2018 until the 28th February 2018.

The annual review of the Rates Policy is a legal requirement to ensure that the City complies with the Municipal Property Rates Act 6 of 2004.

The Rates Policy Review is driven by submission from property owners, and the City takes into account these inputs when drafting the final policy. Public participation is critical in the formulation of policies and ratepayers are encouraged to take an active part in the public meetings of the policy review.

The City implemented the Rates Policy on 1st July 2008, and it guides the City in all aspects of levying rates on property owners. The policy defines and categorises all properties within the boundaries of the City of Johannesburg, and allows the City to generate rates revenue by assigning a tariff to the property categories obtained in the General Valuation Roll.

Since 2008, when the rates policy and rates by-laws were first implemented, the City has held annual meetings across the regions. The consultations with residents ensures that the policy is sustainable and that the related Rates tariffs remain equitable and affordable. The consultative process provides a clear opportunity for engagement and information to ratepayers about City's rating structure.

The first phase of the rates policy consultation meetings that begin this week will focus largely on issues related to affordability and protection of vulnerable categories. The second phase of the rates consultations will finally culminate with the IDP process in March 2018.

Residents are invited to share their views on the following proposed dates of Property Rates Policy Review meetings:

Venue	Region	Date	Time
<i>Orlando East Community Hall Soweto</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>27/01/18</i>	<i>14:00-16:00</i>
<i>Dhlamini Hall Koma Road</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>27/01/18</i>	<i>10:00-12:00</i>
<i>Protea Glen Library Milk hood Street Ext 2 Soweto</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>03/02/18</i>	<i>10:00-12:00</i>
<i>Hillbrow Recreational Centre</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>29/01/18</i>	<i>18:00-20:00</i>
<i>Mondeor Recreation Centre</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>30/01/18</i>	<i>19:00-21:00</i>
<i>Eureka House 92 Marlborough Road</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>31/01/18</i>	<i>18:00-20:00</i>

Venue	Region	Date	Time
Ennerdale Civic Centre Corner Katz and Smith Street Extension	G	01/02/18	18:00-20:00
Eldorado Don Matteman Hall	G	05/02/18	18:00-20:00
Lenasia Civic Centre No 1 Rose Avenue, Lenasia Ext 1	G	15/02/18	18:00-20:00
Orange Farm Multi-purpose Hall, Extension 4	G	08/02/18	18:00-20:00
Ivory Park North Hall, Midrand	A	12/02/18	18:00-20:00
Midrand Fire Station	A	14/02/18	18:00-20:00
Diepsloot Youth Hall, Main Road ,Diepsloot	A	15/02/18	18:00-20:00
Marks Park Pavilion Hall	B	19/02/18	18:00-20:00
Dannie Van Zyl Recreation Centre, Claremont	B	24/02/18	10:00-12:00
Jabula Recreation Centre Cnr Anne Street & Athlone Avenue,	E	21/02/18	18:00-20:00
East Bank Hall ,Cnr Springbok & Impala Str	E	10/02/18	10:00-12:00
Ernest Ullman Park Recreation Centre, No 1 Alna Street, Gallo Manor	E	26/02/18	18:00-20:00
Cosmo City MPCC ,Angola Drive, Cosmo City	C	27/02/18	18:00-20:00
Roodepoort City Hall	C	28/02/18	18:00-20:00
Braamfischerville MPCC, Loerieblaar Ave ,Braamfischerville	C	24/02/18	14:00-16:00

Residents can also submit comments in writing to the Property Unit at 66 Jorrisen Street, Braamfontein, or via email to ratescomments@joburg.org.za; pumzaj@joburg.org.za; tandisizwes@joburg.org.za or fax 0864477567.

Copies of the draft documents can be viewed on the City's website at www.joburg.org.za. Hard copies are also available at all nearest walking customer service centres within the City.

The closing date for submissions or comments on the policy should be received no later than the end February 2018. This process will run concurrently with the IDP process in the second phase of public participation.



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