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Glenwood UIP Update



Dear Glenwood UIP members,

As we near the end of the first month of the official establishment of the Glenwood UIP, I would like to update you on issues related to levy collection and on-ground service delivery; staff recruitment; service providers; the UIP board structure and the UIP NPC management.

Before I get into those details, I would like to express a heartfelt thank-you to you, the property owners and champions of Glenwood, for your patience and belief in the UIP establishment process. Your continued input, feedback and sharing of ideas is critical to the ongoing success of this collective effort.

1. Levy collection and on-ground service delivery

As of 1 July 2019, the Glenwood UIP (SRA) levy will have appeared as an additional rate on the rates bill of commercial and industrial property owners within the UIP boundary.

It must be noted that while you will be charged the UIP levy as from 1 July, service delivery will NOT begin until September because we have been informed that the EARLIEST we will receive any funds from the Metro is towards the end of August.

This is standard practice in the UIP establishment phase as there is a lag between the payment of rates by ratepayers and the payment of the amount due to the UIP by the Metro. This also allows for the build-up of funds to pay for the UIP establishment costs which are higher in the roll-out phase.

2. Staff recruitment

A call for applications for a precinct manager and assistant precinct manager was sent out in my last communication, and we received several quality CVs for the position. Interviews have started and we expect to have made appointments within the next 2 weeks.

3. The UIP board structure

As noted in previous communications, the UIP will be managed by the Glenwood UIP Non-Profit Company (NPC) which is governed by a board of directors from the Glenwood community. In order to ensure prudent decision making and the long-term success of the UIP, it is critical that we have an active, considered and representative board, and to this end we have worked very hard at recruiting the right members.

As Chairman of the Glenwood UIP NPC, I would to introduce you to our board:

- Anthony Moodley – Unicopy
- Patrice Masson - Maxprop
- Henry Masinga – Linda Masinga and Associates
- Christopher Beresford – TAP Kruger
- Heather Roos – self employed
- Michael Kingston – owner of the Woolworths building

These board members have been assigned portfolios based on their area of expertise and interests, and we believe this will assist in ensuring focused delivery.

4. Recruitment of on-ground service providers

Choosing the right security, cleaning, and maintenance service providers for the UIP will be critical to our success and to this end, the board is currently looking at the various offerings and costs with a view to appointing service providers within the next 2 weeks.

5. Management of the NPC

The UIP board has agreed that we need to appoint an experienced management company that will assist us activate the UIP and get it to an efficient and stable state. We do believe that once we are operating effectively, we could look at becoming a self-managed UIP, but this will be assessed in time.

We are currently negotiating with two management companies on a scope of work and related costs and are hoping to have this decision made within the next 2 weeks as well.

Once again we are extremely grateful to you all for your support of the UIP and we ask for your continued patience and believe as we kick into roll-out phase.

Regards,

Neil Lamble

Chairman Glenwood UIP NPC