



REPORT TO: CITY MANAGER

**TO BE REFERRED BY THE OFFICIAL TO MAYCO VIA THE COMMUNITY SERVICES
AND HEALTH 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 18 MARCH 2025 TO 21 MARCH 2025 TO
ATTEND BLOOMBERG'S PARTNERSHIP FOR HEALTHY CITIES SUMMIT
IN PARIS, FRANCE.**

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**INGXELO ENGASEMVA KOHAMBO KUMAZWE APHESHEYA/
ANGAPHANDLE KWEMIDA YASEMZANTSI AFRIKA EQHUTYWE
UKUSUSELA KOWE18 UKUYA KOWAMA21 KWEYOKWINDLA 2025
NGENJONGO YOKUZIMASA INDIBANO ENGEZOBUDLWANE BEZIXEKO
NGOKUJOLISWE KWEZEMPILO, ESE BLOOMBERG, PARIS, E FRANCE**

ONDERWERP

**TERUGVOERING OOR DIE INTERNASIONALE REIS (BUITE DIE GRENSE
VAN DIE RSA) VAN 18 MAART 2025 TOT 21 MAART 2025 VIR DIE
BYWONING VAN DIE BLOOMBERG-VENNOOTSKAP VIR GESONDE
STEDE SE BERAAD IN PARYS, FRANKRYK**

REF: LSU R3090

3. EVENT SUMMARY

EVENT DETAILS	
CONFERENCE/SEMINAR	Partnership for Healthy Cities Summit
OTHER	Learn from Global Best Practice; Strengthen Local Policy Instruments; Enhance Public Health Initiatives; Access and Expand International Support and Resources.
DATE	18 March – 21 March 2025 (Summit Dates)
VENUE	InterContinental Paris - Le Grand (2 Rue Scribe, 75009 Paris, France)
TOTAL COST TO THE CITY	R16 315.74
CITY	Paris
COUNTRY	FRANCE

ATTENDEE DETAILS	
NAME AND SURNAME	DESIGNATION
Zukiswa Mandlana Ruberto Isaaks Natacha Berkowitz	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: COMMUNITY SERVICES AND HEALTH CITY HEALTH AREA MANAGER: AREA CENTRAL CITY HEALTH: EPIDEMIOLOGIST

PROVIDE SUMMARY OF HOST ORGANISATION / CITY
The Partnership for Healthy Cities Summit is an annual gathering that brings together mayors and city officials from around the world to discuss and implement proven interventions aimed at preventing non-communicable diseases (NCDs) and injuries. The summit serves as a platform for urban leaders to exchange best practices, share successes, and collaborate on strategies to create healthier, safer, and more equitable urban environments. Bloomberg Philanthropies works to ensure better, longer lives for the greatest number of people by focusing on five key areas: the arts, education, the environment, government innovation, and public health. The City of Cape Town is a partner City of the Bloomberg Philanthropies & Vital Strategies' Partnership for Healthy Cities. Vital Strategies helps governments strengthen their public health systems to contend with the most important and difficult health challenges. They work in partnership with governments to reimagine evidence-based, locally driven policies and practices to advance public health.

4. OBJECTIVE

The City of Cape Town is one of an exclusive number of cities globally that are members of the Partnership for Healthy Cities (PHC) Network. This network is a prestigious global network of cities committed to saving lives by preventing non-communicable diseases (NCDs) and injuries. The City has participated in various projects associated with the

Partnership which includes implementing health promotion activities across the Metro and within the organisation. The City is also participating in a specific programme called the Policy Accelerator that aims to develop policy options and solutions to reduce NCDs in the City.

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Objectives of the Summit:

- **Knowledge Exchange:** Facilitate the sharing of effective policies and interventions among city leaders to combat NCDs and injuries.
- **Policy Implementation:** Encourage cities to adopt and enforce evidence-based policies that promote public health, such as tobacco control, improved food policies, and road safety measures.
- **Networking:** Build a global network of cities committed to prioritising public health, allowing for collaboration and support in addressing common challenges.
- **Recognition:** Acknowledge and reward cities that have made significant strides in public health initiatives, providing them with a platform to inspire others.

Relevance and Benefits for Cape Town:

Cape Town faces a quadruple burden of disease, including NCDs, infectious diseases, maternal and child health issues, and injuries. Risk factors such as smoking and unhealthy diets are prevalent across various income groups and age demographics.

By participating in the summit, Cape Town can:

- **Learn from Global Best Practices:** Gain insights into successful public health interventions implemented in other cities, which can be tailored to address Cape Town's unique challenges.
- **Strengthen Policy Frameworks:** Develop and refine policies aimed at reducing NCDs and injuries, drawing from the collective expertise of the global network.
- **Enhance Public Health Initiatives:** Implement proven strategies to mitigate risk factors, thereby improving health outcomes for its residents.
- **Access Support and Resources:** Leverage the partnership's resources to support the city's public health programs and initiatives.

Alignment to the City Policy:

The lessons learnt at the summit will, in future, contribute to the knowledge base required for the IDP Urban Health monitoring project and will ensure that the project is evidence based, as well as built on learnings from international innovative examples. Additionally, this ongoing collaboration fostered at the summit will assist the City in developing policy solutions to improve the health and wellbeing of residents.

5. OUTCOMES

Current and future Partnership support:

City officials who attended the summit received technical support from international policy content experts in a series of technical and one-on-one sessions. This provided us with important information and direction to develop our chosen policy area (Healthy Food Guidelines Implementation). Future Policy Accelerator support will be mobilised to support the focus areas of the City's Urban Health Programme.

- **Possible future support on Heat and Health:** The Partnership has launched a new policy support area to reduce heat-related morbidity and mortality. Possible support for cities include developing / reviewing heat impact assessments and emergency plans as well as providing technical assistance on short- and long-term heat reducing strategies.

Networking and connection building:

City officials met with peers from other cities who are participating in the Policy Accelerator Programme and shared lessons learnt. This was from cities who had implemented policies previously as well as those currently in the implementation stage. We were also able to share our best practices with the wider network, which will be useful for the overall Integrated Urban Health Programme going forward. Follow up conversations will focus on the following topics:

TOPIC AND FOCUS	CITY GOVERNMENT / ORGANISATION	LINK TO CITY PROGRAMMES
Climate adaptation to heat (for health and community facilities)	Agence Francaise De development (AFD)	Climate Change and Heat Action Plans
Adapting building regulations to respond to increased heat	Accra	Development Management Regulatory reform
Health informed safety approaches	Greater London Authority	Mayoral Priority Programme on Safety
Food Policy Implementation	Jakarta; Colombo; Mumbai; Quazon City; Melbourne etc	Food systems programme
Overdose prevention/harm reduction	Philadelphia	City Health Programmes

6. ACTIONS REQUIRED

Summary of the summit content, outcomes and next steps are provided in **Annexure A**.

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 Izani Embassy Joint Venture for the safe-keeping of Traveller's personal information as required by the POPI Act.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the feedback report on the trip for the Partnerships for Healthy Cities Summit undertaken by Zukiswa Mandlana, Ruberto Isaaks and Natacha Berkowitz on 18 to 21 March 2025 **be considered and noted.**

AANBEVELINGS

Daar word aanbeveel dat die terugvoeringsverslag oor Zukiswa Mandlana, Ruberto Isaaks en Natacha Berkowitz se reis vir die beraad van die Bloomberg-vennootskap vir gesonde stede van 18 tot 21 Maart 2025 oorweeg word, en dat daarvan kennis geneem word.

IZINDULULO

Kundululwe ukuba makuthathelwe ingqalelo kwaye kuqwalaselwe ingxelo engasemva kohambo, ukuzimasa iNdibano engezoBudlelwane beZixeko kwezeMpilo, eqhutywe nguZukiswa Mandlana, Ruberto Isaaks noNatacha Berkowitz ukususela ngowe18 ukuya kowama21 kweyoKwindla (Matshi) 2025.

9. GENERAL DISCUSSION

Additional information is provided in Annexure A

10. ANNEXURES

Annexure A – Summit Summary Presentation

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Ms ZUKISWA MANDLANA

COMMENT:

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LEGAL COMPLIANCE

☐ NON-COMPLIANT

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☒ NOTED

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DATE

COMMENT: