

Notes of the Meeting – PJWG Workstream 8 -Friday 12 09 2025 Virtual

Key Notes & Action Items

1. Previous Minutes & Actions

- Notes of the 15 August meeting were circulated.
- Draft financial model presented; still work-in-progress, being shared with National Treasury.
- Project tracker finalized and updated.
- Urgent meeting with City Manager and Transport (re: Jack Mincer) took place.
- JRA provided completion date for **Lilian Ngoyi Rd**; road has been opened.
- JDA tasked with updating risk register and timelines for the **Art Gallery Development**.
- Presidency and City approval for project implementation discussed; bed buildings sub-working group to receive full report next week

2. Operation Vulin'dlela (OV)

- Engagement with Treasury underway on possible zero-VAT rating for inner-city investments.
- Date of engagement with Policy Division of National Treasury agreed; updates to be provided at the next meeting

3. Jozi My Jozi (JMJ)

- Provided updates on **gateway projects, solar lighting, and homelessness interventions**.
- Structural issues (streetlights, pavements, fountains, mosaics, and connectivity spaces) were reported as either in progress or nearing completion
- Collaboration with City Power on securing infrastructure, sealing tunnels/manholes, and expanding protection to street lighting
- MOU between JMJ and the City – legal review completed, pending signature by the City Manager. Chair requested urgency to meet Presidency's commitment

4. Urban Management

- Cleanup operations ongoing in the inner city, supervised by **Pikitup** and Parks.
- Collaboration with City Improvement Districts (CIDs) for sustainable urban management.
- Proposal for integrated operations across EPWP, law enforcement, and service delivery teams

5. Infrastructure & Service Delivery

- Reinstatement challenges noted; need for a **joint mechanism** between JRA and Joburg Water.
- Discussions underway to widen reinstatement efforts to Randburg CBD and other precincts

6. Finance & Disputes

- Progress on dispute resolution and Friday cut-offs; city exploring permanent arrangements.
- Draft response to the **credit control policy** prepared; to be presented to Finance subgroup.
- Monthly open-day system for dispute resolution established.
- Work underway to review service charges and DCs (development contributions)

7. Other Sub-Group Reports

- **Informal Traders, Transport & Business:** Taxi formalisation workshop scheduled; BRT Phase 1C launch planned for Transport Month; concerns over illegal bus services in Braamfontein
- **Bad & Hijacked Buildings:** Weekly alignment with City leadership for implementation plans
- **Law Enforcement & Safety:** SLA/MOU progress with JMJ noted; collaboration needed with SAPS and security cluster

Action Items

1. Financial Model

- Continue refinement and share updates with National Treasury.
- Report progress at next meeting. *(Responsible: Finance Subgroup)*

2. Project Tracker

- Secretariat to maintain and circulate updated project tracker.

3. Lilian Ngoyi Road

- Monitor Phase 2 completion date and update group. *(Responsible: JRA/Transport)*

4. JMJ MOU

- City Manager to expedite signing of the MOU with JMJ.
- Feedback to be shared on WhatsApp group urgently. *(Responsible: Krishni Gounden & Legal Team)*

5. Operation Vulin'dlela

- Finalize engagement with National Treasury on VAT rating. *(Responsible: OV & Treasury Engagement Team)*

6. Infrastructure

- Develop joint escalation mechanism for reinstatements (JRA + Joburg Water).
(Responsible: Julia Fish & Infrastructure Team)
- Explore extension of reinstatement efforts to Randburg CBD and other precincts.

7. Urban Management

- Continue inner-city cleanups and expand to Region C (Roodepoort pilot).
(Responsible: Urban Management Subgroup)
- Integrate EPWP, Pikitup, CIDs, law enforcement in collaborative service delivery model.

8. Finance & Dispute Resolution

- Submit draft response on credit control policy to Finance Subgroup.
(Responsible: Finance Team – Leila McKenna & Paul)
- Maintain recording system for disputes and disconnections.

9. Bad & Hijacked Buildings

- Weekly coordination with City leadership for implementation. *(Responsible: Lusanda & Team)*

10. Law Enforcement & Safety

- Presidency to assist in convening security and justice cluster for urban management support. *(Responsible: Presidency & City Manager)*