



# INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN GEORGE MUNICIPALITY

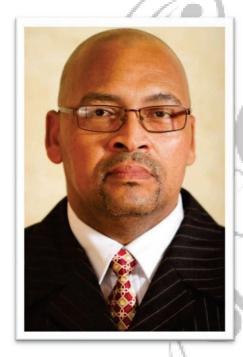
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#### **EXECUTIVE MAYOR'S FOREWORD**



The development of an Integrated Development Plan (IDP) is almost a year long process that goes to the heart of our diligent process to assess our progress and to make sure we are on the correct development path. It is a comprehensive process that underwrites our participatory democracy and enables all to take collective ownership of development and delivery.

This 'Third Generation' Integrated Development Plan (IDP) marks another step in the on-going quest for continuous improvement. Opposed from just being a mechanistic madefor-the-shelf product, we want to continue to use this IDP (2012-2017) as the principal strategic planning instrument which guides and informs all planning and development, and all decisions with regard to planning, management and development, in the George Local Municipality. It is in that context that we will continue giving life to this document.

During the current term of Council, we want to aggressively improve in ensuring that our budget is literally informed by the IDP.

The IDP (2012-2017) is built on past work, our experience in governing George and the inputs of our citizens through the Ward Based Planning sessions and our daily interaction. While developing an IDP is mandatory, it is critical for George Municipal Council's strategic planning processes to be consistently updated and reviewed and to continue communicating with our stakeholders.

The IDP (2012-2017) will continue to be reviewed in line with the requirements of Section 34 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act (No: 32 of 2000) in order to ensure that we give implications and annual meaning to the five-year IDP.

George Municipal Council will continue to use the IDP as a roadmap to help meet community needs while ensuring continued growth, equality and empowerment of the poor.

I trust that this IDP will serve to stimulate and synergise our partnership with our colleagues in government, the people of George and all those who live, work and play in our Municipal area -not by prescribing and regulating but by outlining a common vision on which to build '...the best medium sized city in the Country using all available resources sustainably to the benefit of the community in a growing and a thriving city.'

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**EXECUTIVE MAYOR: GEORGE MUNICIPALITY** 

#### **OVERVIEW BY THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER**



The Local Government: Municipal Systems Act (No: 32 of 2000) requires each municipality to prepare an Integrated Development Plan to serve as a single, inclusive and strategic development plan, linking and integrating other plans. George has experienced an exceptional growth over the last few years and it is now more than ever, critical that Council adopts a suitable strategic planning document which will ensure a bright future for all people who live within the municipal boundaries. Accordingly, the 2012-2017 Integrated Development Plan (IDP) will fulfil the role of being the strategic blueprint for George Municipality.

An IDP that evolves with the growing trends of the City within set boundaries and adapt to the special conditions of the environment is likely to ensure action plans that can find solutions for all, creating 'win-win situations'. The diversity of George creates a unique variety of challenges and the

Municipality strives to act within the parameters of a long-term vision, and understanding the challenges it face.

Through the situational analysis, this plan assesses the state of affairs, key statistics and data, including service delivery backlogs. The 2012-2017 IDP is premised on the establishment of a new vision, mission and values for George Municipality.

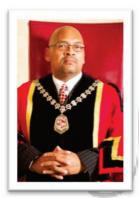
From an administrative perspective, this IDP provides the basis to review and redesign our administrative operations. The review informs the service standards and norms as well as the operational efficiencies to enable effective provisioning of services to the communities. In addition, the IDP provides the overall key performance areas and indicators, which will serve as a basis for assessing the Municipality's progress in rendering services.

Finally, the aspirations of George Municipal Council, the community we serve and the various stakeholders within the municipal boundaries require the inculcation of a renewed work ethic from all those who are in the service of the Municipality. The successful implementation of this IDP requires the application of good governance and management principles, as well as dedication and professionalism.

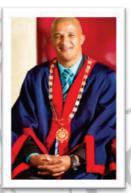
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