

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

NOTICE FOR REQUEST OF PUBLIC COMMENTS ON STANDARD DRAFT BY-LAW ON TOWNSHIP ECONOMIES FOR THE CITY OF JOHANNESBURG

The City of Johannesburg announces its intention to adopt the Standard Draft By-law for Township Economies. The public is hereby invited to submit written comments on the Standard Draft By-Law on Township Economies in terms of section 7(5) of the Rationalisation of Local Government Affairs Act 1998, Section 12 of the Local Government Municipal Systems Act no 32 of 2000.

In terms of section 14(1) of the Municipal Systems Act, the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs published the SDB in Government Gazette No. 5i529 on 7 November 2024.

OBJECTIVES OF THE STANDARD DRAFT BY-LAW ARE:

- The SDB introduces a standardised framework to support municipalities to promote commercial and industrial economic activities in townships and demarcate business areas and sites to promote inclusive economic development, as provided for by the Spatial Planning Land Use Management Act No. 16 of 2013.8
- SPLUMA introduces the principles of spatial justice, spatial sustainability, spatial resilience, and efficient and good administration to guide land use governance and promotion of economic development.
- Spatially targeted interventions in economically depressed areas such as townships and rural areas have the potential to unlock economic development opportunities, employment creation, alleviate poverty and inequalities.

A copy of the Standard Draft By-Law on Township Economies may be obtained from the website: www.joburg.org.za and from the city's regional offices during business hours from 08:00 –16:00 on weekdays. The public and interested and affected organisations have 30 days' commenting period from the date of this advert and the final date for comments is by end of business day on 17 July 2025.

Further enquiries and written comments may be submitted to TokeloJuliusN@joburg.org.za and ThandekaM@joburg.org.za

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