



Notice of request for public comments on the draft water services By-Laws for the City of Johannesburg

The public is hereby invited to submit written comments on the draft Water Services By-laws in terms of section 7(5) of the Rationalisation of Local Government Affairs Act 1998 and Section 12 of the Local Government Municipal Systems Act no 32 of 2000. The draft Water Services By-laws are amended and reviewed in order to be consistent with legislative requirements and to ensure effective implementation.

The overall objectives of Water Services By-laws are to:

1. Give effect to the right contained in section 27 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa Act, 1996, by controlling water services within the area of jurisdiction of the Council;
2. Ensure that water supply and sanitation services systems are protected, as per the duties required by the National Water Services Act, to regulate access to water services in an equitable way and to conserve water resources;
3. Outline general responsibilities, obligations and prohibitions set for the citizens of the City of Johannesburg with regard to use of Water Services; and
4. Provide, in conjunction with other applicable laws, an affective legal and administrative framework within which the municipality can manage, regulate and prevent activities that can or do cause non-compliance to the national legislation and have potential to impact adversely on water security, public health and well-being and the environment.

The draft Water Services By-laws are aimed at strengthening the regulation of use of water services at household and industrial level, prohibition of misuse of the services, water demand management and conservation; and authorisation of use of alternative water sources.

A copy of the Water Services By-laws as well as the report on the proposal changes may be obtained from the website: www.joburg.org.za and in the City's regional offices during the business hours from 08:00 –16:00 on weekdays. The public has 30 days commenting period from the date of this advert, until close of business day on 28 September 2018.

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