

## SUMMARY OF THE DRAFT WASTE MANAGEMENT BY-LAWS

The current City of Johannesburg Waste By-laws were promulgated in 2003 before the introduction of the Waste Act in 2009. The proposed amendment of the Waste Management By-laws seeks to:

1. Align CoJ Waste Management By-laws with national, provincial policies and regulation and other relevant by-laws within the CoJ, e.g. Public Health By-laws.
2. Ensure that Waste Management By-Laws strengthen and solidifies the objectives and goals of the CoJ Integrated Waste Management Policy and
3. Ensure that the by-laws are aligned with the National Environmental Management: Waste Act 59 of 2008.

The main objects of the Waste Management By-laws are to-

- a) ensure that waste is avoided, or where it cannot altogether be avoided, minimized, re-used, recycled, recovered and disposed of in an environmentally sound manner;
- b) promote sustainable development and environmental justice through fair and reasonable measures for the management of waste within the Council's jurisdiction;
- c) regulate the collection, transportation, storage, disposal, treatment and recycling of waste within the Council's jurisdiction;
- d) regulate and ensure effective delivery of the municipal service and regulate the provision of commercial services through accreditation of service providers, and
- e) ensure that all municipal residents and businesses in the jurisdiction of the Council participate in the promotion of responsible citizenship by ensuring sound waste management practices within residential and industrial environments.

