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**COMMENTS ABOUT THE 2010 FIFA WORLD CUP *OVERALL BUSINESS PLAN*
AND THE FIFA *WORLD CUP PROGRAM***

General Comments: The CDP welcomes this report and trusts that this will be the first of a successful thrust to the 2010. It is a mammoth task just to read it and try to get an overall picture. One can't help feeling that it should have been given to us at least two years ago. If one examines our track record, making deadlines is not a strong point of the CTMM. Especially, if one examines the last couple of years. Project after project has been postponed due to changes in structures and new plans that even now we are battling to implement. Now we have a mammoth task before us and 18 months before D Day. With the 2010 we have no choice. We cannot postpone it. Therefore it must take top priority, even if we have to leave some of our pet projects on the back burner until afterwards. That is the only way that the CDP believes that we can even hope to achieve some of the goals mentioned in this report. The shortfall of funds is a concern. Especially as there appears to be no plans in place to make sure this can be rectified.

I think the most positive comment that can be made is, that should we achieve, by 2010, what we have laid before us in this document, it will mean that CTMM has accomplished a remarkable feat. We will experience a standard that can benefit us for many years to come. We will have increased our tourist accommodation, encouraged our tourist industry, beatified our city and put in place a security system that should be able to deal with most of the problems that we are experiencing at the moment. Not only that, in light of our constant electricity blackouts due to load shedding, (which by the way we are told should continue for ten years), with the up grading of utilities and energy power possibly we will improve this area as well. The information technology and telecommunications that we are setting up can only be an asset.

What one would like to see happen after the games are over is that we sustain what we have achieved and build on it. That would make it all worth while.

Specific comments on some of the projects and questions of clarity

P 42 **Two Signed Contracts** - The CTMM has signed two major contracts with its stakeholders? One of them being, a People's Contract with the residents of CTMM. The CDP would appreciate more information as to the content of the contract, when and where and with whom was it signed? Who represented the residents of our City?

P 46 **Steering Committee** - The names of most of these positions are clear but the Chief Executive Officer for 2010 is unfamiliar to many. Who is the person filling this position

and what are the credentials required to fill such an important and responsible position? Does this person have the credentials required?

Shortfall - Throughout there seems to be a shortfall between what has been requested and what has been allocated. This is serious, especially as this report has come so late in the day. What will the CTMM be doing about this and will we be able to quickly finalize these funds?

Project 3 – Transport. (p49-59) As the projects around the development of the northern area of the city and the Rainbow Junction Station are no longer taking place for the 2010, how will this affect the proposed building up of the North in general?

Group G Projects: Wonderboom airport Upgrade – The position of international status has been mooted for many years. How will the plans to the 2010 be affected should this not take place in time?

Section 3 p56 - the corporatised Municipal Bus Service. How far have these plans come and when will they be finalized?

Section 7 – Do we have time to focus on emerging contractor development? It is a time for speed, proficiency and a high standard. Also, having many smaller units can be a drawback when they need to be brought together and linked to the larger picture. How far have we progressed with these plans? Any smaller and emerging contractor will have to be overseen by a strong experienced group to ensure everything moves smoothly. Is this going to happen?

Project 8 Accommodation – P 79 Has the revised database been finalized. This document says it must be finished by the end of December 2007?

Project 11 – City Beautification (90 – 94) P92 mentions that departments are working in isolation. P 93 speaks about the involvement of the private sector but mentions the absence of a coherent policy to engage the private sector and also suggests the drafting of a policy to regulate our interaction with the private sector and speaks about doing this urgently. P 94 mentions that Consultants will have to be appointed at an estimated cost of R500, 000 to compile a Master Plan. On the same page there is a suggestion for a communication forum. But, there is no mention of dates. In other wards does this pertain to January 2008 or was this written a while ago and all of the things mentioned have already been completed? If that is not the case than this is an example of a huge task with little time to finalize it.

Project 12 Health – P 96 Can we be provided with a detailed outline as to the process that will be taken to rectify the serious problems we are having with our Government hospitals? Or are we only planning to utilize our private hospitals during this time?

Project 16 – Volunteer Training – On p 111 the Youth Advisory Council (YAC) Data Base is mentioned. This would be clearer if one could be given an idea as to what is the content of this data base. As the YAC, appears to be more a political movement the CDP would be happier if, along with the YAC data base, other youth movements and groups would be approached for volunteers.

Project 17 Environmental management – The comment about the National Level being more suitable to perform this function means that what we have mentioned will have little bearing on 2010, unless, these suggestions have already been sent on to National Government. Has this happened?

Project 18 Waste Management - On page 121 under Cleaning of the Provincial Roads within the borders of the CTMM. (This is not really a comment regarding the 2010 it is just highlighting the situation mentioned in two of the paragraphs)

1 – Begins - A number of meetings. And

2 – Begins with - There are portions.

The facts that were highlighted about Gautrans not having the capacity to clean the roads regularly is most distressing and certainly should be addressed with the Province even before 2010. How can a system of cleaning (which was apparently working) be replaced by a department that does not have the capacity to do the job?

Project 23 Overall Coordination – Who is the member of the Mayoral Committee who has been assigned to champion the preparations?

General Comment about the abbreviation COT.

We seem to be using three abbreviations for the Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality. COT, CoT and the CTMM. The CTMM has been used for a long time until quite recently when CoT was brought in. There has never been much of an explanation. It would be helpful if a history of our abbreviations could be provided as it might clarify the reason behind the confusion. One needs to take the two documents together (the business plan and the World Cup Program) where one finds each of these short forms were mentioned.

Document number 2 (2010 FIFA World Cup Programme)

Page 162 – The agreement between Fifa and the host City which was supposed to be signed on 22nd February 2006. When will it be signed? Have we made the progress required in complying with the terms? If we do not achieve this what will be the penalty to the city?