

# City's digital technology 'request for ideas' closes 16 February

The City of Cape Town's call for submissions on how it can make use of digital technology and data to enhance its performance and enable residents and businesses to engage more actively with the city, closes on 16 February 2018.



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Information and ideas are sought on any products, technologies or other offerings that could leverage existing infrastructure and data. The city is interested in exploring innovative ways to deliver on its objectives as an organisation.

One of the over-arching requirements is the formation of partnerships that will take advantage of the city's significant investment in optic fibre deployment, the CCTV camera network and Wi-Fi connectivity.

Areas of interest include:

- Public safety
- Infrastructure planning and maintenance
- Energy efficiency
- Transportation and integrated urban development
- Water and waste management
- Using cloud computing technology as a disruptive model enabling clustered community commerce and to address social challenges within these communities

"The global challenges of rapid urbanisation, climate change, increased pressure on resources, and the provision of infrastructure and services all need to be addressed at the city level and the city believes that there are technology-based solutions out there that can enhance service delivery and make economic growth for residents a real possibility.

"Thinking outside the box and developing these solutions will help us move this city from good to great," says the city's Mayoral Committee Member for Corporate Services, Councillor Raelene Arendse.

Ideas will be welcomed from innovators, technologists, telecommunications specialists, advertising agencies, social entrepreneurs, engineers, architects, designers, academic organisations, NGOs, and general city enthusiasts working locally or internationally.

All respondents have until 16 February 2018 to submit their ideas via the city's [Have Your Say platform](#).

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"The creation of lasting partnerships will be welcomed as we work together to make Cape Town the most digitally connected city on the continent. As the city has the data and the digital technology available to enhance service delivery, let us make use of what's available to develop long-term solutions to enhance the lives of Capetonians," said Councillor Arendse.

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