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### **SUBJECT: DIVERTING OF FUNDS FROM ONE LINE ITEM TO ANOTHER**

The City of Joburg would like to forward this request to the Project Steering Committee for consideration.

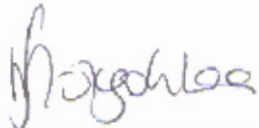
We would like to transfer an amount of R 500 000 initially intended to 'develop Strategic Environmental Assessment for prioritized zones' (as reflected in the Joburg Business Plan 2006/7). The same amount is to be used for the 'ground-truthing exercise' on Open Space Management System for the city. This request is informed by the following reasons:

- The provincial department (GDACE) is currently working on the development of EMF, which would directly include Johannesburg;
- We view the initial intended purpose as duplication and may result in unwise use of financial resources; and
- The city would like to verify the open spaces available, determine their future use and inform its environmental planning and strategy decisions.

This request is further informed by the fact that the city is currently experiencing unprecedented growth/development pressure on limited open space resources. These

developments often have negative impacts on existing open spaces. The outcome of the study would greatly assist development planning and provide the necessary guidance to developers in respect of protecting open space resources in a much urbanized City.

It is trusted that this request will reach your favorable consideration.



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