# PROPOSED STRAND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT



Public Meeting 23 April 2013





# Agenda

- Opening and welcome by chairman
- Introduction to the SBID initiative
- Presentation on the Proposed SBID SRA
- Questions
- Closing



# Would you like to work in an area where you could:

- Feel safe at your business?
- Appreciate clean pavements?
- Where staff feels secure walking from transport nodes to their place of work?
- With customers that feels safe to enjoy your business offerings
- Leave you can park in the street and find that your car had not been broken into?
- Where you can drive on roads without potholes and with effective signage?
- Support unemployed people?





# STRAND BUSINESS Area could have this future.... but there are some challenges

- A perception survey amongst 51 business and property owners and 38 shoppers was conducted in July 2012
- 25% were property owners, 75% tenants
- The survey questions were grouped into 5 sections,
   each focussing on five general urban issues namely:
  - Section 1 Safety and security
  - Section 2 Litter and cleanliness
  - Section 3 Lighting & marking of streets and pavements
  - Section 4 Public environment
  - Section 5 Social environment







#### Proposed Strand CBD SRA

Proposed Strand Special Rating Area Feasibility Study

#### Legend

Survey Locations

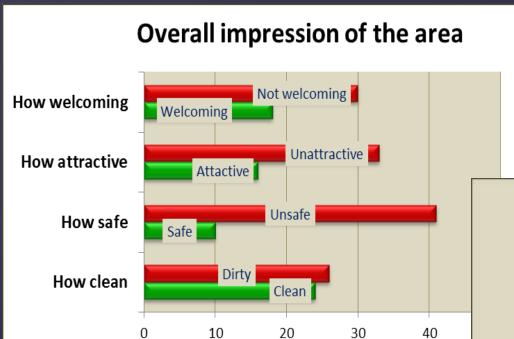




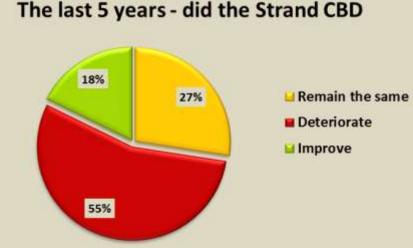




# Overall Perception of how people view the Strand CBD



Business and property owners

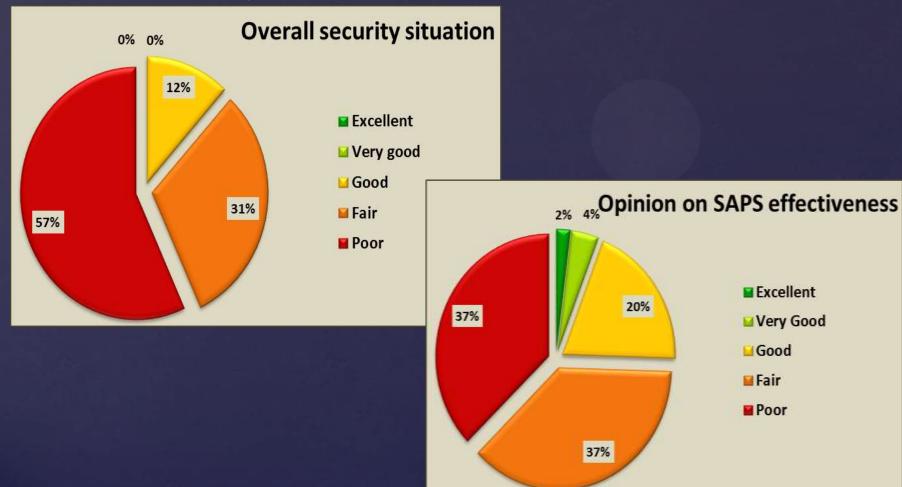






# Perception on safety in the STRAND CBD

Business and property owners







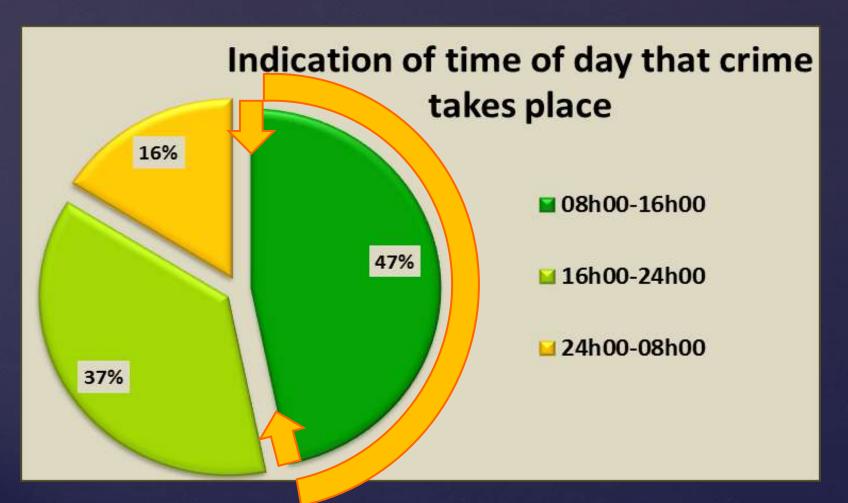
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# Perception on public cleaning



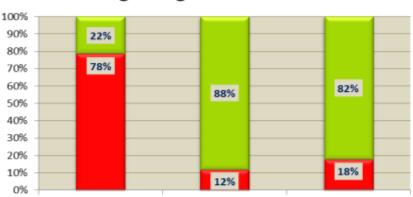






# Perception on public cleaning

#### Issues regarding litter and cleanliness



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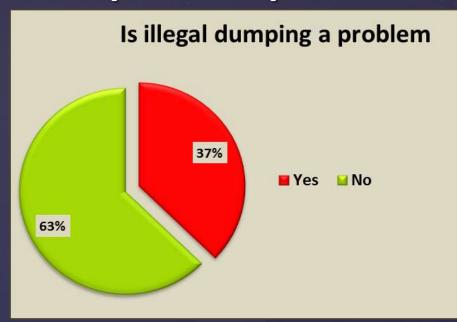








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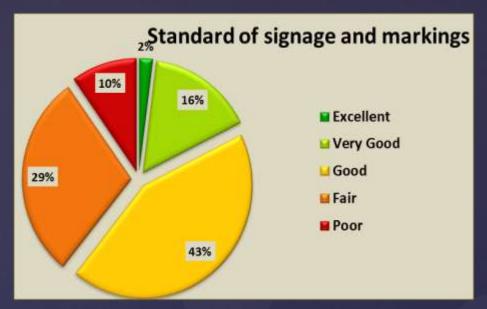








### Perception on public streets and signage

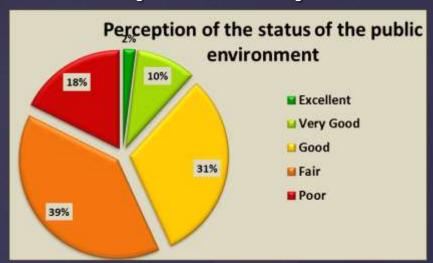








# Perception on public environment



















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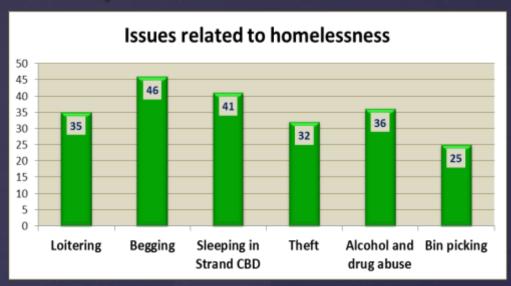








# **Perception on social issues**











#### What is a Special Ratings Area (SRA or CID)

- An SRA (NPC) provides additional services (security, cleansing and urban management) to those provided currently by the City of Cape Town
- A statutory body established under the SRA by-law (Provincial Gazette 6651/2009) previously known as a City Improvement District (CID)
- Funded by an additional rate collected from rate payers by the City and paid over to the SRA management board
- Funds raised are dedicated to provide additional services (security, cleaning, urban upgrades) exclusively within the SRA as per the business plan
- Cape Town has 24 SRAs in operation, and more communities have expressed interest to form SRAs.





### **Typical Benefits**

- Well managed area
- Pride in communal achievements
- Social responsibility
- Environmental awareness (recycling, greening, energy efficiency, conservation)
- Attract new investments
- Market / promote area



# **The Proposed STRAND SRA Boundary**





Proposed Strand CBD SRA
Proposed Strand Special Rating Area
Feasibility Study

Legend

Proposed Strand SRA Boundary





# **Priorities**





Service delivery category	Most important	2nd most important	3rd most important
Safety and security (including lighting)	76% selected		
Litter and cleanliness		49% selected	
Road and street signage			
Maintenance of public spaces			
Social issues such as vagrancy and begging			37% selected
Health and environmental safety			
Marketing of Strand			

### Goals

- Reducing crime significantly by proactive visible
- Creating a safe and clean public environment by addressing issues of:
  - maintenance and cleaning of streets,
  - pavements and
  - public spaces.
- Manage existing and new public infrastructure
- Protect property values.
- Attract investment to the area.
- Support the promotion of the Strand CBD
- Promoting greening, energy efficiency, recycling
- Support and promote social responsibility in the area
- The sustained and effective management of the area.





# **SBID Management**

- NPC formed
- Appoint staff and service providers
- Board responsible for implementation of the Business Plan
- Special General Meeting will be called within 6 months of establishment in order to elect Board and approve next year's budget
- Directors elected annually from property owners at AGM
- AGM annually to reflect on past year and confirm planning and budget for next year's operations
- Board meets once a month





#### **Public Safety:**

- 4 x public safety patrol officers patrolling the area on foot, 7 days a week during the day-time
- □ 1 x mobile command post
- Radio communications network







#### Cleaning and Urban Management

- Urban management workers undertaking cleansing duties
- Acting as a Reaction Team to deal with illegal Dumping
- Graffiti removal where possible
- Removal of illegal posters and pamphlets from public spaces and infrastructure
- Painting of road markings and correction of road signs
- Greening, tree pruning and landscaping
- Kerb, bollard and paving reinstatements
- Stormwater drain cleaning where required

#### **Social Intervention coordination**

Integration With a job creation programme









3 x urban management workers in one 4 hour shift per day.
 The shifts will be run Monday to Friday
 1 x urban management supervisor (may be the CID manager)

















BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT











Recycling Initiative
 Social responsibility
 Marketing
 Property Owner Supported Projects









#### SBID Budget

#### The main elements to the budget are:

Management of the SBID and operational staff (26.5%)

**Operations (52.5%)** 

**Security and law enforcement** 

**Cleansing and Urban Management** 

**Social programmes** 

SRA company operational and administrative costs (18%)

**Bad debt provision (3%)** 

#### 5-year budget escalation

8 % for operational costs

7 % for salaries





# **SICID Contributions**

MUNICIPAL PROPERTY VALUE	APPROXIMATE RATE PER YEAR	APPROXIMATE RATE PER MONTH
R 500 000	R 1 391	R 115.88
R 1 000 000	R 2781	R 231.75
R 2 500 000	R 6 952	R 579.38
R 5 000 000	R 13 905	R 1 158.75





<sup>\*</sup> Please note that these are illustrative values only. All calculations Excl VAT

#### The Legal Process

- Form steering committee
- Perform perception survey and feasibility study
- Draw up business plan
- Host Public Meeting
- Obtain 50% + 1 votes from property owners
- Submit application for an SRA
- Objection period
- Obtain approval from Council
- Appoint service providers
- Commence operations (1 July 2014)





# Questions ?



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