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AMENDMENT OF TARIFF CHARGES  
FOR 2019/2020**

**1 STRATEGIC THRUST**

Service Excellence and Good Governance.

**2 OBJECTIVE**

To recommend amendment of tariffs for Johannesburg Roads Agency for various services provided by the JRA, with effect from 1 July 2019.

**3 SUMMARY**

The Johannesburg Roads Agency (JRA) charges tariffs for various services rendered such as street encroachments, plotted maps, road closures, traffic counts and tender documents.

The increases in the tariffs proposed are in general related to the increase in the cost of providing the service and are approximately in line with inflation rates. Most increases are on average 5,5%.

The details of the relevant services are as follows:

- (1) Street Encroachments: Certain building structures encroach into the road reserve. Typical examples are balconies. The JRA is still responsible for maintaining the relevant sidewalk underneath although the owner has the benefit to use the overhead space protruding into the road reserve. The maintenance work is done on an annual basis by the Johannesburg Roads Agency as part of the day to day maintenance activities of the JRA. The tariffs are adjusted annually to allow for general increases in costs, and on average are 5,5%.
- (2) Maps provided by the JRA GIS Section: The JRA provides maps of servitudes, as built drawings of road infrastructure, copies of aerial photographs, township layouts, etc. The maps can be plotted (printed) on paper or it is provided in electronic format. The proposed increases are in line with general cost increases of providing the service, and on average are 5,5%.

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- (3) Reinstatements and Wayleaves: Any service provider installing a service in the road reserve must apply for a wayleave (or approval) from the JRA. The application process as well as the final approval requires certain actions of the JRA. The tariffs proposed make allowance for recovery of costs of the JRA to provide these services. In certain cases, the service provider requests the JRA to reinstate the road surface. The Wayleave Policy allows for the JRA to charge for such reinstatements to be carried out in the road reserve. The increases are on average 5,5%.
- (4) Legal: The tariffs are mainly for copying documents. The tariff increases allow for cost increases and these are 5,5%.
- (5) Traffic Counting: Consulting engineers often approach the JRA to obtain copies of traffic counts already undertaken by the JRA or to request the JRA to do new traffic surveys. The tariff increase is based on general cost increases at an increase of 5,5%.
- (6) Tender Documents: The tariffs are for cost recovery to produce tender documents and the increases are about 5,5%.
- (7) Road Closure: The tariffs are for Road Closure applications and the increases are proposed at approximately 5,5%.

These tariffs charged by JRA were last reviewed by Council on 25 May 2018 and were implemented on 1 July 2018 and the anticipated average inflation rate was given by the City of Johannesburg Budget Office.

### **4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

The tariffs were set per the City of Johannesburg Tariff Policy. They are based on inflation of 5,5% on average.

### **5 LEGAL CONSTITUTIONAL IMPLICATIONS**

The tariffs are in compliance with Johannesburg Road Agency by-laws. The City of Johannesburg is authorised in terms of Sections 11(3)(I) and 75A (1) and (2) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000, read with Section 24(2)(c)(ii) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003, to levy and amend tariffs of charges in respect of any function or service of the municipality.

It should though be kept in mind that by Section 28 (6) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act 56 of 2003) once the new tariffs have been determined in respect of the 2019/20 financial year, it may not be further increased during that financial year, except when required in terms of a financial recovery plan as contemplated in the Act.

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### **6 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

... It is estimated that the proposed increase of the tariff's shown in Annexure "A" will generate an estimated additional income of R 500 000 per annum. All income accrued because of these tariffs are for JRA and provision for this additional income is included in the draft operating budget for income in 2019/20 financial year. The tariffs are inclusive of VAT.

The advertising costs of the tariff changes are borne by the City of Johannesburg, as all City and Entity tariffs are advertised together.

### **7 ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS**

There are no Economic implications.

### **8 COMMUNICATIONS IMPLICATIONS**

The relevant information regarding the amended tariffs will be communicated to all role players in the manner prescribed by law.

## **IT IS RECOMMENDED**

**1 That, in terms of Sections 11(3)(i) and 75A (1) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act 2000, (Act 32 of 2000) as amended, read with Section 16(2) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act 56 of 2003), the Johannesburg Roads Agency declares its intention to amend with effect from 1 July 2019 its Tariff Charges:**

**For:**

**Miscellaneous Traffic Related Services as set out in Annexure "A"**

**2 That, in terms of Sections 17(3)(a)(ii) and 22(a) (i)and (ii) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act 2003, (Act 56 of 2003) and Sections 21, 21A (1) and (2) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act 32 of 2000) as amended, the Johannesburg Roads Agency**

**(1) display the notice and the documents in the manner prescribed;**

**(2) seek to convey to the local community by means of radio broadcasts covering the area of the City, the information contemplated in Section 21A(c) of the Local Government : Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act, 32 of 2000), as amended; and**

**(3) publish a notice in the manner prescribed and invites the local community to submit written comments or representations in respect of the Johannesburg Roads Agency's declared intention to amend or determine Tariffs of Charges.**

**3 That, in terms of Section 22(b)(i) and (ii) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act 56 of 2003) a copy of the notice and documents be sent forthwith to the National and Provincial Treasury; MEC**

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**for Local Government; as well as any other organ of State or Municipality affected by the budget to solicit their views.**

**4 That the Executive Director : Finance in conjunction with Director : Legal and Compliance, in consultation with the Council's relevant Departments and all interested parties, report on the comments received in terms of Paragraph 2 above with recommendations on the final draft of the Tariffs of Charges for approval.**

**5 That the report be submitted to the relevant structures for comment.**

(JOHANNESBURG ROADS AGENCY)  
(Princess Mundiya)  
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THE NEXT ITEM FOLLOWS THE ANNEXURE TO THIS ITEM

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**JOHANNESBURG ROADS AGENCY****ANNEXURE A****AMENDMENT OF TARIFF CHARGES IN RESPECT OF STREET ENCROACHMENTS, REINSTATEMENTS, PRINTED MATERIAL AND TENDER DOCUMENTS**

In terms of Sections 17(3)(a)(ii) and 22(a)(i) and (ii) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act 56 of 2003) and Sections 21(1) and (3), 21A and 75A(3) and (4) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act 32 of 2000) as amended, it is hereby notified that the City of Johannesburg has, in terms of Sections 11(3)(i) and 75A(1) and (2) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act 32 of 2000) as amended, read with Section 24(2)(c)(ii) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act 56 of 2003), amended its Tariff of Charges in respect of Street Encroachments, Reinstatements, Printed Material, Tender Documents, Traffic Counting and Legal Documents with effect from 1 July 2019.

The following tariffs (inclusive of VAT) shall be effective from 1 July 2019

<b>Street Encroachments</b>		<b>Proposed new tariff</b>	
<b>Old Tariff 2018/2019</b>		<b>New Tariff 2019/2020</b>	
R 575 half year for every 15.74 meter or part thereof		R 610 half year for every 15.74 meter or part thereof	
<b>Printed Materials</b>			
<b>Standard Activity</b>	<b>Old Tariff</b>	<b>New Tariff</b>	
<b>Plotted Maps: Black &amp; White</b>			
A0 Paper	R 430	R 454	
A1 Paper	R 240	R 253	
A2 Paper	R 150	R 158	
A3 Paper	R 90	R 95	
A4 Paper	R 45	R 47	
<b>Plotted Maps: Colour fill (Standard Paper)</b>			
A0 Paper	R 820	R 865	
A1 Paper	R 620	R 654	
A2 Paper	R 520	R 549	
A3 Paper	R 200	R 211	
A4 Paper	R 90	R 95	
<b>Plotted Maps: Colour fill (Gloss Paper)</b>			
A0 Paper	R 1 065	R 1 124	
A1 Paper	R 800	R 844	
A2 Paper	R 620	R 654	
A3 Paper	R 320	R 338	
A4 Paper	R 90	R 95	
GIS Labour per hour	R 515	R 543	
Minimum labour per hour	R 215	R 227	
Customised Map Request	R 510	R 538	

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<b>Standard Activity</b>	<b>Old Tariff</b>	<b>New Tariff</b>
Revised Customised Map request	R 250	R 264
Data Conversion for Client per kilobyte	R 0, 85	R 0, 90
Sale of non Spatial Data	R 0, 35	R 0, 40
Sale of Spatial Data per kilobyte	R 0, 45	R 0, 50
Retrieval of Archive Drawing	R 65	R 69
<b>Reinstatements</b>		
(Minimum charge 1m2)		
Road Riding Surface	R 1 300	R 1 372
Backfilling	R 920	R 970
Paved Footways	R 575	R 607
DCP Testing	R 195	R 206
Unpaved Footways	R 565	R 596
Kerbing (1m)	R 850	R 897
Temporary Reinstatements	R 430	R 454
Wayleaves processing fees, per project per suburb	R 800	R 844
Wayleave processing fee for unplanned work per suburb (emergencies)	R 800	R 844
For Re-inspection where previous inspection had failed and work was Redone	R 3 000	R 3 165
Penalty for failed reinstatements done by own agent	R 12 000	R 12 660
<b>Legal</b>		
a) For every A4 photocopy	R 7,10	R 7, 50
b) For every A4 printed copy in electronic or machine-readable format	R 4,25	R 4, 50
c) For a copy in a computer-readable form on i) stiffy disc ii) compact disc	R 15,60	R 16, 50
d) i) For a transcription of visual images ii) For a copy of a visual image	R 50	R 53

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<b>Standard Activity</b>	<b>Old Tariff</b>	<b>New Tariff</b>
e) i) For a transcription of an Audio Record per page	R 155	R 164
ii) For a copy of an Audio Record	R 50	R 53
<b>Traffic Counts</b>		
Existing Counts (Per Set)	R 955	R 1 007
Existing Traffic Signal Plans	R 185	R 195
New Intersection Counts	R 4 575	R 4 827
New Link Volume Counts	R 2 135	R 2 252
<b>Tender Documents</b>		
Up to a million one year contract	R 270	R 285
Up to a million two year contract	R 510	R 538
> R1 million	R 790	R 833
Capital Projects	R 1 310	R 1 382
Security Closure Administration Cost (Main Gate)	R 13, 570	R 14 316
Security Closure Administration Cost (Additional Gate)	R 800	R 844
Security Closure Administration Cost (Main Gate) – Renewal after two years	R 8 140	R 8 588
Security Closure Administration Cost (Additional Gate) – Renewal after two years	R 480	R 506