



JOINT COMMUNIQUE

On the

Memorandum of **U**nderstanding

Entered into by and between the city of Windhoek and
the city of Johannesburg

Signed on 28 September 2005 in Windhoek,
Namibia

Read by Mr Niilo Taapopi, CEO
City of Windhoek

The Essence of the Memorandum of Understanding

The City of Windhoek (Republic of Namibia) and the City of Johannesburg (Republic of South Africa) represented by the two respective Mayors, His Worship the Mayor Councillor Matheus Shikongo and His Worship the Executive Mayor , Councillor Amos Masondo signed a Memorandum of Understanding on Wednesday, 28th September 2005.

The two Cities agreed to commit themselves to a mutually beneficial, partnership over the next five years that should benefit communities. The objective of the signed Memorandum of Understanding is twofold. Firstly, to proactively engage each other under a practical programme driven partnership. Secondly, it is to ensure that the relationship is mutually beneficial.

KEY AREAS OF CO-OPERATION

This Memorandum of Understanding followed various discussions at a technical level held in 2003 and is based on the following identified broad areas of co-operation:

- π **Planning, Urbanisation and Environment**
- π **Water and waste management**
- π **Economic development**
- π **Councillor development**
- π **Safety and Security**

The Way Forward

Following the signing of this Memorandum of Understanding, the two cities are now working on an action plan for implementation at a technical level. This involves prioritisation of the identified specific programmes and concrete projects of co-operation that spell out a clear way forward to be reviewed and reported on annually.

Mindful of the principles and in pursuit of the objectives stated in the Memorandum of Understanding, the two Cities have therefore been united by this official Sister City Partnership, through the protocol of the signed Memorandum of Understanding.

On behalf of the City of Windhoek



**COUNCILLOR MATHAEUS SHIKONGO
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WINDHOEK**

On behalf of the City of Johannesburg,



**COUNCILLOR AMOS MASONDO
EXECUTIVE MAYOR OF THE
CITY OF JOHANNESBURG**