

STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION

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Sunday, 16 February 2025



Turning resolutions into reality

THE FUTURE OF UNSTOPPABLE GROWTH

Municipal Manager, Ms. Thuso Nemugumoni presented a detailed progress report on resolutions from last year's strategic planning session. She highlighted strides made in filling vacant managerial positions, ensure leadership stability.

Ms. Nemugumoni also outlined catalytic projects currently in progress, including the Provincial State Theatre, SEZ N1 North Corridor, Limpopo Central Hospital, and New Netcare Akeso Psychiatric Hospital - all pivotal in driving economic growth and urban development.

Sunday, 16 February 2025 | Mookgophong - Polokwane Municipality's two-day strategic planning session resumes this morning. With a vision to transform Polokwane into a thriving metropolitan city, the session is setting ambitious goals and practical strategies for the future.

Kicking off the session yesterday, Executive Mayor Cllr Makoro John Mpe delivered an inspiring address, laying out a bold vision for growth and progress. The session also featured a series of crucial presentations, each offering a glimpse into Polokwane's strategic direction.



Rendani Maiwashe
Manager: Risk Management



Babalwa Mosomane
Acting Chief Audit Executive

Audit matters

Acting Chief Audit Executive, Ms. Babalwa Mosomane presented the status of audit matters. Her report went beyond numbers; it was about building trust and accountability. In a city growing as rapidly as Polokwane, financial oversight is crucial to sustain public trust and efficient resource allocation.

Risk management

Manager for Risk Management, Ms. Rendani Maiwashe, presented a strategic risk analysis, outlining the challenges facing the municipality and the proactive steps being taken to address them. From infrastructure issues to financial risks, her report showed that Polokwane is planning ahead to avoid potential pitfalls.

Financial health

Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Thabo Nonyane presented a comprehensive financial status quo analysis, detailing the municipality's fiscal health and strategic resource allocation. He emphasized the importance of sound financial management, revenue collection and cost containment as the backbone of Polokwane's ambitious growth agenda.



Rirhandzu Mabunda
Director: Roads and Stormwater



Phuti Moloto
Director: Energy Services



David Ramakgwakwa
Director: Transportation

Thabo Nonyane
Chief Financial Officer



Sebaka Ramaremela
PMU Manager



Meshack Thaba
Director: Water and Sanitation

Project Management

PMU Manager, Mr. Sebaka Ramaremela outlined the current status of project management. He highlighted that out of 134 capital multi-year projects for 2024/25, 69 are in the implementation stage, 38 in planning and procurement and 27 are completed. His presentation highlighted the importance of efficient project execution to bring strategic plans to life.

Focus on service delivery

Directors from various departments presented their draft scorecards, projects and proposed budgets for 2025/26. They included:

- Mr. Meshack Thaba (Water and Sanitation) – Addressing water security for a growing city.
- Ms. Rirhandzu Mabunda (Roads and Stormwater) – Enhancing road networks and managing stormwater.
- Mr. Phuti Moloto (Energy Services) – Ensuring reliable energy supply and exploring sustainable solutions.
- Mr. David Ramakgwakwa (Transportation) – Expanding transportation infrastructure to improve mobility.

Their presentations outlined strategic initiatives to boost service delivery, laying the groundwork for a smarter, more efficient Polokwane.

Strategic partnerships and performance monitoring

Presentations from the Infrastructure Fund and the Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation highlighted the importance of strategic partnerships and effective performance monitoring. Their insights showed how Polokwane is aligning itself with national development goals.

Community services and economic growth

Further presentations were given by:

- Mr. Edward Hutamo (Community Services) – Enhancing community well-being and engagement.
- Mr. Phuti Matsi (Corporate and Shared Services) – Streamlining internal processes for better efficiency.
- Ms. Molatelo Mashego (Planning and Economic Development) – Driving economic growth and attracting investment.
- Mr. Vheli Mthombeni (Acting Chief Operations Officer) – Coordinating operations for effective governance



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Today, the session already received a much-anticipated progress report on the tenanting of Annadale Ext 2 (Ga-Rena Phase 2) from Chief Executive Officer of Polokwane Housing Association, Mr Mothobi Mokaeanne. Presentation from Lepelle Northern Water's Acting General Manager: Operations and Maintenance, Mr Precious Moshwane was also on the agenda, with crucial discussions expected on water sustainability



Vheli Mthombeni
Acting Chief Operations Officer



Mothobi Mokaeanne
Chief Executive Officer: Polokwane Housing Association

Precious Moshwane
Acting General Manager: Lepelle Northern Water

