



EPWP in South African Cities

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Overview of Presentation:

- Introduction to SACN
- Context of EPWP within SACN
- SACN EPWP programme
- Reference group for EPWP

SACN Membership

- Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality
- City of Joburg
- City of Tshwane
- eThekweni Metropolitan Municipality
- Msunduzi Local Municipality
- Buffalo City Local Municipality
- Nelson Mandela Metropolitan Municipality
- City of Cape Town
- Mangaung Local Municipality

Governance and structure

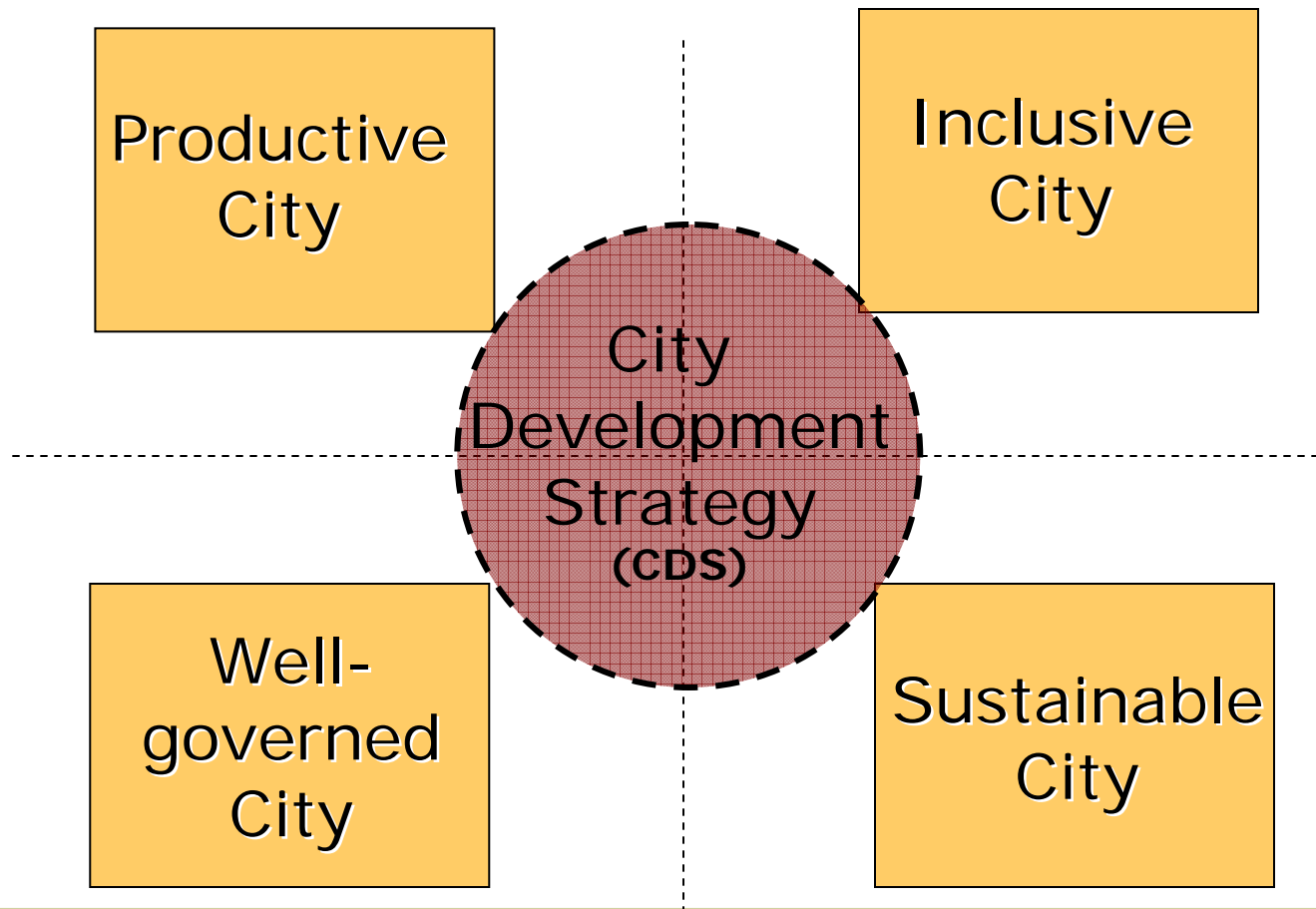
- Non-profit voluntary organisation accountable to its members via a Board of Directors
- Operates through a Johannesburg based secretariat
- Funded by cities, national government and donors
- Not an intergovernmental forum, policy body or representative organisation

Goals of SA Cities Network

- Promote good governance and management of South African cities
- Analyse strategic challenges facing South African cities, particularly in the context of global economic integration and national development
- Collect, collate, analyse, assess, disseminate and apply the experience of large city government in a South African context
- Promote a shared-learning partnership between different spheres of government to support the governance of South African cities

City Development Strategy Framework

Building blocks for integrated development



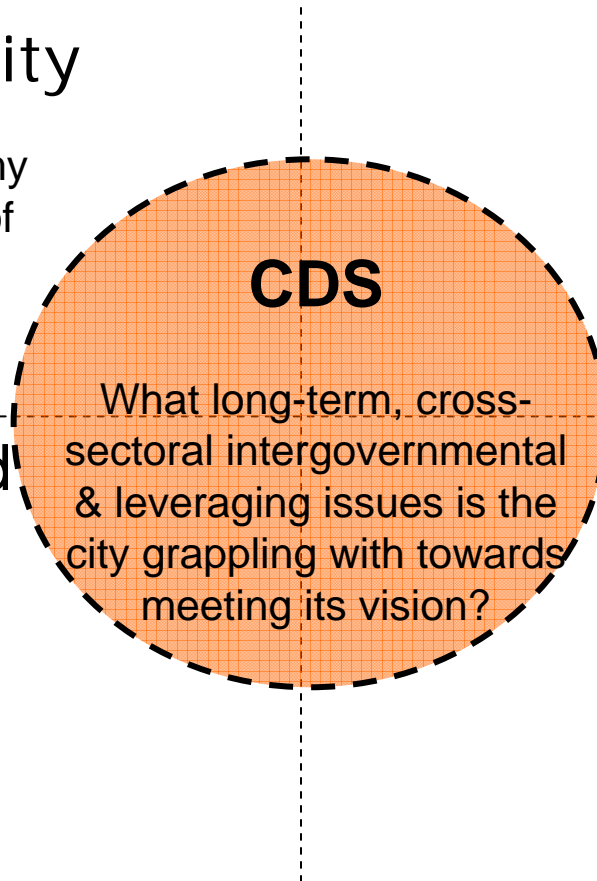
City Development Strategy Planning Framework

Productive City

Can the local economy provide the majority of residents with the means to earn a reasonable living?

Well-Governed City

Is the political & institutional context stable, open and dynamic enough to accommodate all interests?



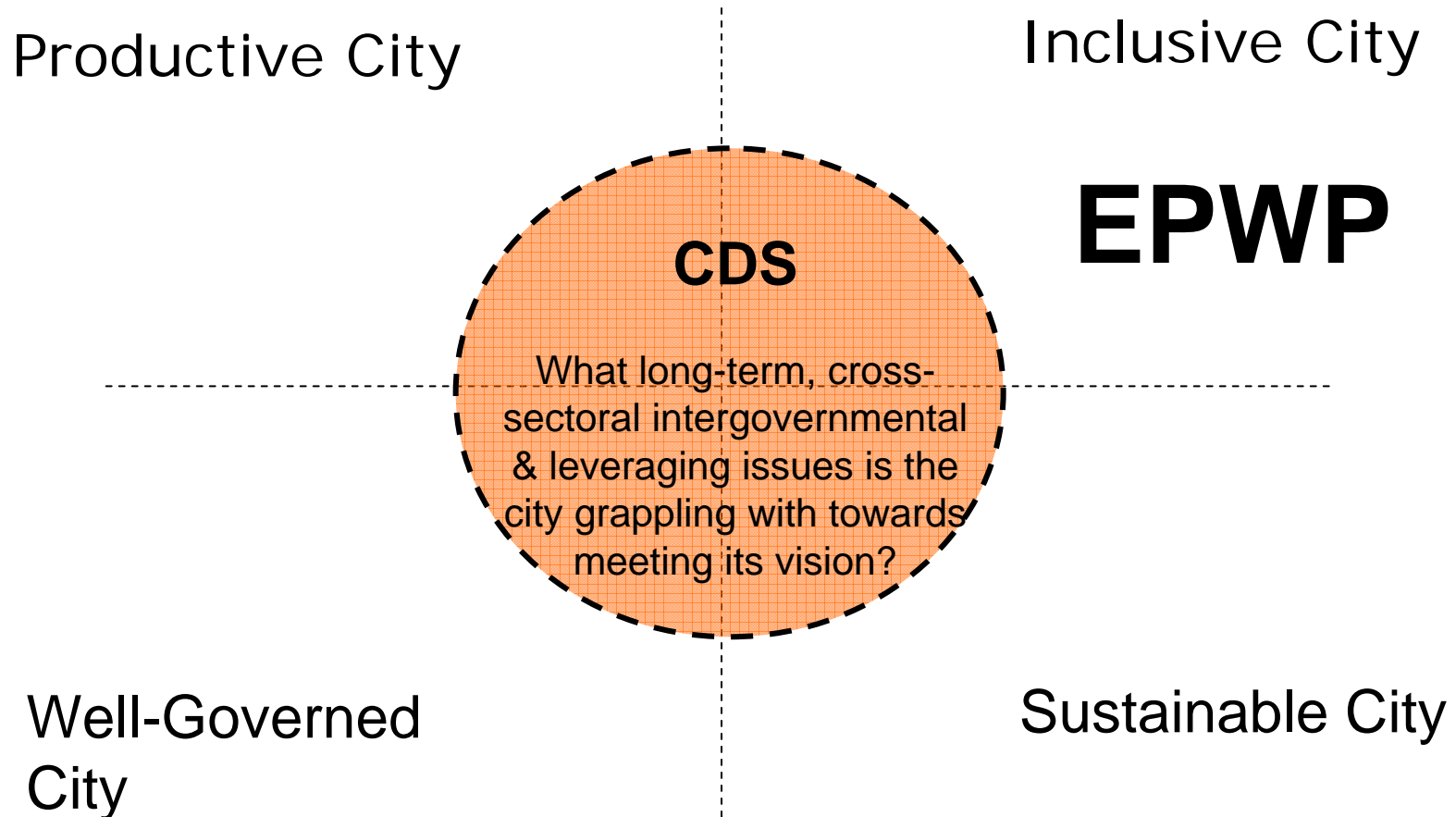
Inclusive City

Do residents have the opportunities and capacities to share equitably in the social & economic benefits of city life?

Sustainable City

How is the city impacting on the envelope of natural resources that sustains the settlement and make it viable?

City Development Strategy Planning Framework



Inclusive Cities Programme

Main Objective:

To provide strategic inputs and M & E tools to enable cities to address the challenges of SA's segregated cities thereby enabling residents to share equitably in the cities opportunities

Inclusive Cities Programme

SACN EPWP Programme

EPWP enables previously marginalised people to gain skills that would enable them to participate in the mainstream economy and service delivery and therefore access an equitable share of the cities opportunities.

SACN EPWP Programme

Guided mainly by:

- Need for cities to facilitate short and long term jobs.
 - Exploring means of short term jobs and increasing capacity for long term jobs
- Need for well co-ordinated anchors within cities
 - Most cities don't have well functioning EPWP units
- Need to enhance cities capacity to implement EPWP
 - Provide a platform to share knowledge, experiences and challenges of mainstreaming EPWP in member cities

State of Cities Readiness to Implement EPWP

- Study aimed at assessing how ready cities are to implement EPWP.
- Assessment included various aspects of the programme

Scope and Methodology of the study

- **Data Collection and Analysis**
 - Primary & Secondary data

- **Documentation**
 - Existing capacity and systems for labour-intensive construction.
 - Appropriateness of the current tender documentation and the implications thereof.

- **Expertise**
 - Existing level of expertise to design, manage and supervise labour-intensive works and services within the cities' technical staff.

Scope and Methodology of the study

– **Experiences**

- The history (if any) of labour-intensive public works to date in each city and difficulties encountered.

– **Proposed capital works budgets**

- Review of the proposed capital works budgets for the 2004/05 financial year, with a view to identifying works that could be readily carried out through labour-intensive means.

Scope and Methodology of the study

- **Training and Skills Development**
 - How the cities could participate in the various Department of Public Works and the Construction Education and Training Authority (CETA) Learnership programmes associated with the EPWP.
- **Technical Assistance**
 - Specific types of technical assistance required for each city to carry out the identified works in a more labour-intensive manner

Scope and Methodology of the study

- **Other Public Services (In Other Sectors)**
 - Identify other public services that could be implemented using the EPWP principles within the scope of municipal services. These could include solid waste management, maintenance of public assets such as roads, parks, and buildings

Scope and Methodology of the study

- **Job Creation Potential**
 - On the basis of the proposed capital works budgets for the following three years, determine the job creation potential of the various EPWP projects in each city.
- **Institutional framework**
 - Consider appropriate institutional mechanisms that will facilitate the implementation of the EPWP in each city.
 - Inter-city linkages (through the SACN)
 - Inter-governmental challenges

Conclusions and Recommendations

- Identify the appropriate scope of infrastructure projects and further research on other EPWP sectors
- Sign up with the EPWP Unit for contractor learnerships
- Budget commitments for EPWP projects
- Enabling environment is already in place including support available from the EPWP Unit of DPW. Cities must access these

Conclusions and Recommendations

- Programming & Implementation on Infrastructure Sector projects
- EPWP Unit ready to provide assistance in terms of EPWP training and orientation of member cities
- Additional Technical Assistance required

Reference Group

- Currently composed mainly of PMU units
- Need to extend representation to include other sectors
- Objectives
 - To facilitate sharing of experiences
 - Identify & guide SACN programme
 - Input into State of South African Cities Report
- Meet quarterly



Reference Group



- Drawing lessons from eThekweni
- Encourage networking





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