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## **New Trees For The uMhlanga UIP**

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As part of the UIP's continual work with the eThekweni Municipality to ensure the quality and enjoyment of uMhlanga's public space, a number a greening projects have been implemented in the precinct.

The first is four large palms trees that were planted on the pier servitude off McCausland Crescent. The trees were planted in existing planter boxes where the original trees were either damaged or had died.

In the second project 34 Coral trees were planted in Lagoon Drive and have gone a long way to improving the experience of pedestrians and motorist alike when commuting along this road.

The Lighthouse servitude is the latest greening project in the precinct, with a mix of indigenous trees planted on the servitude between the Beverly Hills Hotel and the Oyster Box. As a busy pedestrian area it is important that it is well maintained and that those using it will in time enjoy the cooling shade on hot summer days.

"All three projects were motivated by the UIP, with the municipality supplying and planting the trees. The UIP will be taking responsibility for their maintenance and this once again shows the effectiveness of the partnership between the two entities," said UIP project leader Brian Wright who concluded by thanking the municipality for their support.

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### **Note On The uMhlanga UIP**

The uMhlanga Urban Improvement Precincts (UIPs) were established by the uMhlanga property owners to retain existing investment in uMhlanga; stimulate new investment; create economic opportunity; improve safety and quality of life, and respond to the challenge of environmental sustainability.

In terms of structure, there are two UIPs or Special Ratings Areas (SRA) as they are official termed by the municipality namely, The uMhlanga Promenade UIP established in March 2003 and the The Village UIP, established in July 2008. These UIPs, collectively known as the uMhlanga UIP represent 29 large erven. In addition to the two UIPs, there are a further two Associate Managed Areas namely the Southern Promenade Properties (SPP) – established 2004 and the Northern Promenade Properties (NPP) – established 2010. These areas represent approximately 42 large erven.

The UIP partners with the eThekweni Municipality to ensure that this key node delivers an exceptional experience of public space. The UIP management team is constantly responding to the ever evolving needs of uMhlanga, whether it be service levels or special projects.

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