



Press Release – 20 August 2013

## **New Municipal Lights Installed In uMhlanga**

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The uMhlanga Urban Improvement Precinct (UIP) is continuing its work to ensure a safe and welcoming precinct, with the installation of 5 new street lights along the east side of the Pearls boundary on Lagoon Drive.

Preventative security and creating a better sense of comfort is key to the success of the precinct and to this end the UIP began identifying dark areas throughout the precinct with the most problematic area being Lagoon Dr along the east side of the Pearls boundary. “The distinct lack of lighting in this area really created a feeling of unease,” said UIP project leader Brian Wright.

With the area identified, the UIP provided a substantial motivation to the eThekweni Municipality for the installation of the street lights, and without any hassle they were installed, and have substantially improved lighting in the area.

The UIP appeals to all private property owners to illuminate dark areas surrounding their perimeters and to introduce a monthly check that external lighting is all working.

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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 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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