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Panel on Housing

Minutes of meeting
held on Thursday, 11 October 2007, at 11:10 am
in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building

- Members present** : Hon LEE Wing-tat (Chairman)
Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH (Deputy Chairman)
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP
Hon James TO Kun-sun
Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP
Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, SBS, JP
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, SBS, JP
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP
Hon LI Kwok-ying, MH, JP
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, JP
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC
- Members absent:** Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye, GBS, JP
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum, JP
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing, SBS, JP
- Clerk in attendance** : Ms Connie SZETO
Chief Council Secretary (1)6
- Staff in attendance** : Ms Pauline NG
Assistant Secretary General 1

Ms Sarah YUEN
Senior Council Secretary (1)6

Mr Anthony CHU
Council Secretary (1)2

Miss Queenie LAM
Senior Legislative Assistant (1)2

Ms Michelle NIEN
Legislative Assistant (1)9

Action

I Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

Election of Chairman

Mr LEE Wing-tat, Chairman in office, presided over the election of the Chairman of the Panel for the 2007-2008 session and invited nominations for the chairmanship.

2. Mr Fred LI nominated Mr LEE Wing-tat for the chairmanship. The nomination was seconded by Mr Frederick FUNG. As Mr LEE Wing-tat was nominated for the chairmanship, Mr LI Kwok-ying, Deputy Chairman of the Panel in the 2006-2007 session, presided over the election of Chairman. Mr LEE accepted the nomination.

3. There being no other nomination, Mr LEE Wing-tat was declared Chairman of the Panel for the 2007-2008 session.

Election of Deputy Chairman

4. Mr LEE Wing-tat took the chair and invited nominations for the deputy chairmanship for the 2007-2008 session. Mr Frederick FUNG was nominated by Mr Fred LI and the nomination was seconded by Dr Joseph LEE. Mr FUNG accepted the nomination. The Chairman called for other nominations.

5. Mr WONG Kwok-hing was nominated by Ms CHAN Yuen-han and the nomination was seconded by Mr Abraham SHEK. Mr WONG accepted the nomination. As there was no further nomination, the Chairman announced a vote by secret ballot. After all the members present had cast their votes, the Chairman invited Mr Fred LI and Ms CHAN Yuen-han, who had nominated the two candidates, to oversee the counting of votes.

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6. The Chairman announced that Mr Frederick FUNG and Mr WONG Kwok-hing had both received six votes. Since the two nominees received the same number of valid votes, lots were drawn in respect of them. The Chairman exercised his casting vote in accordance with the lot drawn by him and declared Mr WONG elected as the Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2007-2008 session.

II Schedule of meetings for the 2007-2008 session

7. The Panel's proposed schedule of regular meetings for the 2007-2008 session was tabled at the meeting.

8. Members agreed that the monthly regular meetings of the Panel be held on the first Monday of each month at 2:30 pm except for April 2008, the date of which would clash with meetings of the Finance Committee from 31 March to 7 April 2008. The regular meeting for April would be scheduled for Tuesday, 8 April 2008, at 4:30 pm.

(Post-meeting note: The endorsed meeting schedule for the 2007-2008 session was circulated to members via LC Paper No. CB(1)45/07-08 on 12 October 2007.)

III Items for discussion at the next meeting

(Appendix V to LC Paper No.— List of outstanding items for
CB(1)4/07-08 discussion)

Appendix VI to LC Paper No.— List of follow-up actions)
CB(1)4/07-08

Special meeting in October 2007

9. The Chairman reminded members that a special meeting had been scheduled for Monday, 22 October 2007, at 8:30 am for the Administration to brief members on the relevant policy initiatives in the Chief Executive's Policy Address 2007-2008.

Regular meeting in November 2007

10. Members agreed to discuss the following items at the next regular meeting of the Panel to be held on Monday, 5 November 2007, at 2:30 pm:

- (a) Rent collection for public housing estates;
- (b) Review of the Marking Scheme for Estate Management Enforcement in public housing estates; and
- (c) Development at Anderson Road and the associated mainlaying works.

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11. Members noted that items (b) and (c) above were proposed by the Administration. Item (a) was proposed for discussion by Mr Frederick FUNG who was concerned about the arrangements for public housing tenants to pay rents at convenience stores and the Administration's plan to close rent offices in public housing estates in 2008.

Regular meeting in December 2007

12. Members agreed that the following items which were included in the Panel's list of outstanding items be tentatively scheduled for discussion in the regular meeting for December 2007:

- (a) Land supply for public housing development and problems encountered in proposed public housing development; and
- (b) Resumption of the Home Ownership Scheme and the Tenants Purchase Scheme.

IV Any other business

13. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 11:25 am.

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