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Panel on Development

Minutes of meeting
held on Thursday, 14 October 2010, at 11:10 am
in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building

Members present : Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing, SBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBM, GBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, SBS, S.B.St.J., JP
Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong, GBS
Hon WONG Yung-kan, SBS, JP
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, GBS, JP
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, SBS, JP
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, SBS, JP
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP
Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH
Hon LEE Wing-tat
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming, GBS, JP
Hon KAM Nai-wai, MH
Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan
Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP
Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun
Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP
Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC
Hon Tanya CHAN
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

Members absent : Hon James TO Kun-sun
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun, GBS, JP
Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-ye, GBS, JP

Clerk in attendance : Mr Stephen LAM
Chief Council Secretary (1)4

Staff in attendance : Mrs Constance LI
Assistant Secretary General 1

Mr Simon CHEUNG
Senior Council Secretary (1)1

Ms Sharon CHUNG
Senior Council Secretary (1)5

Ms Alice CHEUNG
Senior Legislative Assistant (1)1

Miss Queenie LAM
Senior Legislative Assistant (1)2

Ms Christina SHIU
Legislative Assistant (1)7

Miss Zoe TONG
Clerical Assistant (1)2

Action

I Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

Election of Chairman

Mr LAU Wong-fat, Chairman of the Panel in office, invited nominations for the chairmanship.

2. Mr IP Kwok-him nominated Prof Patrick LAU and the nomination was seconded by Mr Abraham SHEK and some other members. Prof LAU accepted the nomination.

3. Mr LAU Wong-fat invited further nominations for the chairmanship. There being no other nomination, Mr LAU declared that Prof Patrick LAU was elected Chairman of the Panel for the 2010-2011 legislative session. Prof LAU then took over the chair.

Election of Deputy Chairman

4. The Chairman invited nominations for the deputy chairmanship.
5. Mr Abraham SHEK nominated Mr LAU Wong-fat and the nomination was seconded by Ir Dr Raymond HO and some other members. Mr LAU accepted the nomination.
6. There being no other nomination, the Chairman declared that Mr LAU Wong-fat was elected Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2010-2011 legislative session.

II. Schedule of meetings for the 2010-2011 session

7. The Panel agreed that the monthly regular meetings of the Panel would be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 2:30 pm except for December 2010 and March 2011. The meeting for December 2010 would be held on 22 December at 10:45 am, while the meeting for March 2011 would be held on 29 March at 2:30 pm.

(Post-meeting note: As the Chairman will not be available on 22 December 2010, with the concurrence of the Chairman, the meeting has been rescheduled to 16 December 2010. The confirmed meeting schedule was circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)62/10-11 on 18 October 2010.)

III. Discussion items for next meeting

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| (Appendix V to | -- List of outstanding items for |
| LC Paper No. CB(1)3/10-11 | discussion |
| Appendix VI to | -- List of follow-up actions) |
| LC Paper No. CB(1)3/10-11 | |

Next meeting on 26 October 2010

8. The Chairman informed members that the Administration had proposed the following items for discussion at the regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, 26 October 2010 at 2:30 pm --
 - (a) Review of the Urban Renewal Strategy; and
 - (b) Conserving Central – redevelopment scheme of West Wing, Central Government Offices.

Members agreed to discuss the above items at the meeting.

9. Miss Tanya CHAN proposed that the Panel should also gauge public views on the review of urban renewal strategy and the redevelopment scheme of West Wing, Central Government Offices, as the Administration was conducting public consultation on these matters. Mr Abraham SHEK and Ms Cyd HO shared similar views. The Chairman advised that there might not be sufficient time for inviting deputations to make submissions and attend the meeting on 26 October 2010. The Panel could take a discussion on the suggestion of inviting public views after the meeting on 26 October.

10. On the review of urban renewal strategy, Ms Cyd HO emphasized that the Administration should inform the Panel of the detailed arrangements under the strategy, such as how to implement the "flat for flat" scheme. Such information was also important to the public for giving views during the consultation exercise.

11. Miss Tanya CHAN said that the redevelopment scheme of West Wing, Central Government Offices would turn the site from a "Government, Institution or Community" ("G/IC") zone to a Comprehensive Development Area, to be co-owned by the Government and a developer. She considered that the Administration should give more information to members about the scheme, including detailed information of and arrangements for the sale of the land concerned.

12. The Chairman advised that the Administration would be requested to provide the information on the issues raised by members.

(Post-meeting note: The Administration further suggested that "Measures to Foster a Quality and Sustainable Built Environment" be discussed at the meeting on 26 October 2010.)

Other discussion items

13. Mr WONG Kwok-hing suggested that the Administration should report to the Panel the progress of the preparation of the Greening Master Plans for the New Territories (item 10 of the "List of outstanding items for discussion"), an item proposed by him in October 2009. Mr WONG said that while the Administration indicated that a consultation would be needed for the formulation of the Plans, there had not been any progress report on the consultation. The Chairman said that he would urge the Administration to report the progress as soon as possible.

14. Mr WONG Kwok-hing said that the building collapse in Ma Tau Wai early this year had aroused great public concern, and the Administration had undertaken to introduce legislation to regulate unauthorized building works

including sub-divided units. As this was also stated in the new Policy Address, the Administration should discuss with the Panel the measures to tackle the root of the problems related to unauthorized building works. The Chairman said that the Subcommittee on Building Safety and Related Issues under this Panel could study this issue and he would raise this with the Administration.

15. Miss Tanya CHAN further suggested that the Panel should discuss with the Administration the improvement measures for the revitalization of industrial buildings, an initiative under the Policy Address 2009-2010, in the light of comments that targets had not been reached.

16. Dr Priscilla LEUNG proposed that the planning of North West Kowloon Reclamation Site 6, which was located in Sham Shui Po, should be discussed. She added that while the Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services had discussed the proposed construction of a court building at the site, it would be more desirable for the Development Panel to coordinate the discussion of the planning of the area.

17. Mr Paul TSE was of the view that the Panel should discuss with the Administration the overall planning of tourism infrastructures in Hong Kong. He cited the effort of the government of Singapore in the recent development of Sentosa into a tourist attraction as an example and commented that the Administration should not rely on the initiatives of the commercial sector for the long-term planning of tourism infrastructures. Mr WONG Kwok-hing concurred with Mr TSE's views.

18. The Chairman said that members' suggestions would be raised with the Administration and included in the list of items for discussion.

IV. Any other business

19. The Chairman advised that a meeting would be held on Thursday, 21 October 2010, at 5:30 pm to receive a briefing by the Secretary for Development on the policy initiatives under her portfolio for 2010-2011.

20. The Chairman invited members' views on whether the Subcommittee on Harbourfront Planning, the Subcommittee on Building Safety and Related Issues, the Joint Subcommittee on Amendments to Land Titles Ordinance and Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project, which had been formed under the Panel and other relevant Panels, should continue with their work in the 2010-2011 legislative session. Members agreed that the work of these four Subcommittees should continue in the 2010-2011 session.

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

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