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Legislative Council  
Public Accounts Committee  
Legislative Council Complex  
1 Legislative Council Road, Central  
Hong Kong  
(Attn: Mr Anthony CHU)

Dear Mr CHU,

**Public Accounts Committee**

**Consideration of Chapter 1 of the Director of Audit's Report No. 72**

**Planning, provision and management of public parking spaces**

In response to your letter of 4 June 2019 on the above subject, I attach our reply at **Annex** for reference.

Yours sincerely,

( Simon LIU )  
for Director of Leisure and Cultural Services

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**(VI) For the Leisure and Cultural Services Department**

Management of on-street parking spaces

- (a) with reference to paragraph 4.29(b) of the Audit Report, please explain the discrepancies revealed by a comparison of the result of Audit's site visit to a non-metered parking place and a car park managed by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department ("LCSD") at Shek O Road on 13 December 2018 with the Transport Department ("TD")'s inventory list, and the actual number of parking spaces provided by the aforesaid parking place and LCSD's car park respectively; and

Response:

According to the record of Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD), the non-fee paying car park next to Shek O Beach managed by LCSD provides 190 numbers of parking spaces for public use and 5 numbers for venue operational use. The figures are consistent with the number of parking spaces previously provided to the Transport Department (TD). LCSD does not have information on the number of parking spaces provided by other government departments in the area.

Implementation of parking-related technology initiatives

- (b) according to the reply from Secretary for Transport and Housing dated 9 May 2019 (R72/1/GEN1), TD conducted in early 2019 follow-up meetings with the Government Property Agency ("GPA"), Housing Department ("HD") and LCSD. Please advise (i) the actions taken by GPA, HD and LCSD in respect of the dissemination of parking vacancy information and the outcomes after the aforesaid meeting; and (ii) plans for GPA, HD and LCSD to provide further parking vacancy information to TD, including timeframe and details of these plans.

Response:

LCSD and TD jointly organised a briefing session for the operators of LCSD car parks in May 2019 to introduce the "HKeMobility" mobile application launched by TD and the procedures for manual uploading of vacancy information. The operators were encouraged to participate in dissemination of parking vacancy information voluntarily. LCSD plans

**\*Note by Clerk, PAC:** *See Appendix 6 of this Report for the reply from Secretary for Transport and Housing dated 9 May 2019.*

to include new requirement in the terms of new contract for large-scale car parks requiring the operators to provide parking vacancy information through "HKeMobility". It is expected that the new requirement can be gradually rolled out in the coming four years. LCSD will explore the use of innovation and technology for dissemination of vacancy information of its car parks in consultation with relevant government bureaux/departments.