BUILDING MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL 2005

COMMITTEE STAGE

Amendments to be moved by the Secretary for Home Affairs

Clause

Amendment Proposed

2 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"2. Commencement

This Ordinance shall come into operation on a day to be appointed by the Secretary for Home Affairs by notice published in the Gazette.".

In the proposed definition of "member", by deleting

"paragraph 2(1)(a) or 5(2)(a) of Schedule 2" and substituting

"section 14(2) or paragraph 2(1)(b), 5(2)(a), 6 or 6A of

Schedule 2".

New By adding -

"3A. Section added

The following is added in Part I -

"2B. References to majority of votes

For the avoidance of doubt, in determining whether a resolution is passed by a majority of the votes of owners, or members of a management committee, at a meeting convened under this Ordinance, the following shall be disregarded -

- (a) owners or members, as the case may
 be, who are not present at the
 meeting;
- (b) owners or members, as the case may
 be, who are present at the meeting
 but do not vote;
- (c) blank or invalid votes;
- (d) abstentions.".".
- 4(a) In the proposed section 3(1)(c), by deleting "an owner" and substituting "one owner".
- 4(b) In the proposed section 3(2)(a), in the Chinese text, by deleting "多數票" and substituting "過半數票".
- 4(c) (a) In the proposed section 3(3)(a), by deleting "any person referred to in subsection (1)(b)" and substituting "the person referred to in subsection (1)(b) (if any)".

- (b) In the proposed section 3(3)(b), by deleting "any person referred to in subsection (1)(a)" and substituting "the person referred to in subsection (1)(a) (if any)".
- (c) In the proposed section 3(3)(c), by deleting "any person
 referred to in subsection (1)(a) or (b)" and
 substituting "the person referred to in subsection
 (1)(a) or (b) (if any)".
- (d) By deleting the proposed section 3(4)(b) and substituting -
 - "(b) the resolutions that are to be proposed at the meeting and are related only to the appointment of a management committee and the incorporation of the owners.".
- (e) In the proposed section 3(6), by deleting everything after "building" and substituting a full stop.
- (f) In the proposed section 3(10)(a)(ii), by deleting
 "sealed or stamped with the seal or stamp" and
 substituting "impressed with the seal or chop".
- (g) By deleting the proposed section 3(10)(b) and (c) and substituting -
 - "(b) the instrument appointing a proxy shall be lodged with the convenor at least 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting;

- (c) the instrument appointing a proxy is valid only if
 it is made and lodged in accordance with paragraphs
 (a) and (b);
- (d) a proxy appointed by an owner to attend and vote on behalf of the owner shall, for the purposes of the meeting, be treated as being the owner present at the meeting; and
- (e) where an instrument appointing a proxy is lodged with the convenor, the convenor shall -
 - (i) acknowledge receipt of the instrument by
 leaving a receipt at the flat of the
 owner who made the instrument, or
 depositing the receipt in the letter box
 for that flat, before the time for the
 holding of the meeting;
 - (ii) determine the validity of the instrument
 in accordance with paragraph (c); and
 - (iii) display information of the owner's flat in a prominent place in the place of the meeting before the time for the holding of the meeting, and cause the information to remain so displayed until the conclusion of the meeting.".
- (h) By adding -

- "(11) Subject to subsection (12), the convenor shall keep all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.
- (12) Where a management committee is appointed at a meeting of owners convened under this section -
 - (a) the convenor shall deliver to the management committee immediately after the conclusion of the meeting all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him; and
 - (b) the management committee shall keep the instruments for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.
- (13) Subject to subsection (14), where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, subsections (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11) and (12) shall apply to the adjourned meeting as they apply to the original meeting.

- (14) Where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, a valid instrument appointing a proxy made for the purposes of the original meeting shall remain valid for the purposes of the adjourned meeting unless -
 - (a) contrary intention is shown on the
 instrument;
 - (b) the instrument is revoked; or
 - (c) the instrument is replaced by a new instrument appointing a proxy.".
- 5(c) (a) In the proposed section 3A(3A), by deleting "any person referred to in section 3(1)(a) or (b)" and substituting "the person referred to in section 3(1)(a) or (b) (if any)".
 - (b) By deleting the proposed section 3A(3B)(b) and substituting -
 - "(b) the resolutions that are to be proposed at the meeting and are related only to the appointment of a management committee and the incorporation of the owners.".
 - (c) In the proposed section 3A(3D), by deleting everything after "building" and substituting a full stop.

- (d) In the proposed section 3A(3H)(a)(ii), by deleting
 "sealed or stamped with the seal or stamp" and
 substituting "impressed with the seal or chop".
- (e) By deleting the proposed section 3A(3H)(b) and (c) and substituting -
 - "(b) the instrument appointing a proxy shall be lodged with the convenor at least 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting;
 - (c) the instrument appointing a proxy is valid only if
 it is made and lodged in accordance with paragraphs
 (a) and (b);
 - (d) a proxy appointed by an owner to attend and vote on behalf of the owner shall, for the purposes of the meeting, be treated as being the owner present at the meeting; and
 - (e) where an instrument appointing a proxy is lodged with the convenor, the convenor shall -
 - (i) acknowledge receipt of the instrument by leaving a receipt at the flat of the owner who made the instrument, or depositing the receipt in the letter box for that flat, before the time for the holding of the meeting;
 - (ii) determine the validity of the instrument

in accordance with paragraph (c); and

(iii) display information of the owner's flat

in a prominent place in the place of the

meeting before the time for the holding

of the meeting, and cause the information

to remain so displayed until the

conclusion of the meeting.".

(f) By adding -

- "(3I) Subject to subsection (3J), the convenor shall keep all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.
- (3J) Where a management committee is appointed at a meeting of owners convened under this section -
 - (a) the convenor shall deliver to the management committee immediately after the conclusion of the meeting all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him; and
 - (b) the management committee shall keep the instruments for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.

- (3K) Subject to subsection (3L), where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, subsections (3A), (3B), (3C), (3D), (3E), (3F), (3G), (3H), (3I) and (3J) shall apply to the adjourned meeting as they apply to the original meeting.
- (3L) Where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, a valid instrument appointing a proxy made for the purposes of the original meeting shall remain valid for the purposes of the adjourned meeting unless -
 - (a) contrary intention is shown on the
 instrument;
 - (b) the instrument is revoked; or
 - (c) the instrument is replaced by a new instrument appointing a proxy.".
- 6(b) (a) In the proposed section 4(5), by deleting "any person referred to in section 3(1)(a) or (b)" and substituting "the person referred to in section 3(1)(a) or (b) (if any)".
 - (b) By deleting the proposed section 4(6)(b) and substituting -

- "(b) the resolutions that are to be proposed at the meeting and are related only to the appointment of a management committee and the incorporation of the owners.".
- (c) In the proposed section 4(8), by deleting everything after "building" and substituting a full stop.
- (d) In the proposed section 4(12)(a)(ii), by deleting
 "sealed or stamped with the seal or stamp" and
 substituting "impressed with the seal or chop".
- (e) By deleting the proposed section 4(12)(b) and (c) and substituting -
 - "(b) the instrument appointing a proxy shall be lodged with the convenor at least 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting;
 - (c) the instrument appointing a proxy is valid only if
 it is made and lodged in accordance with paragraphs
 (a) and (b);
 - (d) a proxy appointed by an owner to attend and vote on behalf of the owner shall, for the purposes of the meeting, be treated as being the owner present at the meeting; and
 - (e) where an instrument appointing a proxy is lodged with the convenor, the convenor shall -

- (i) acknowledge receipt of the instrument by
 leaving a receipt at the flat of the
 owner who made the instrument, or
 depositing the receipt in the letter box
 for that flat, before the time for the
 holding of the meeting;
- (ii) determine the validity of the instrument
 in accordance with paragraph (c); and
- (iii) display information of the owner's flat in a prominent place in the place of the meeting before the time for the holding of the meeting, and cause the information to remain so displayed until the conclusion of the meeting.".

(f) By adding -

- "(13) Subject to subsection (14), the convenor shall keep all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.
- (14) Where a management committee is appointed at a meeting of owners convened under this section -

- (a) the convenor shall deliver to the management committee immediately after the conclusion of the meeting all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him; and
- (b) the management committee shall keep the instruments for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.
- (15) Subject to subsection (16), where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, subsections (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (13) and (14) shall apply to the adjourned meeting as they apply to the original meeting.
- (16) Where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, a valid instrument appointing a proxy made for the purposes of the original meeting shall remain valid for the purposes of the adjourned meeting unless -
 - (a) contrary intention is shown on the
 instrument;
 - (b) the instrument is revoked; or

- (c) the instrument is replaced by a new instrument appointing a proxy.".
- 9(c) In the proposed section 7(3)(e), by deleting "paragraph 2(1)(a)" and substituting "paragraph 2(1)(b)".

New By adding -

"9A. Incorporation

Section 8 is amended by adding -

- "(1A) The Land Registrar shall not issue a certificate of registration to more than one corporation for a building in respect of which a deed of mutual covenant is in force.".".
- 10 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"10. Land Registrar to maintain register of corporations

Section 12 is amended -

(a) in subsection (1), by adding ", and permit any person to inspect the register at any reasonable time to ascertain, in connection with the management of buildings, the particulars of a corporation entered in the register under subsection (2)" after "corporations";

- (b) in subsection (2) -
 - (i) by repealing paragraph (d) and
 substituting -
 - "(d) the name and address of -
 - (i) the chairman
 of the
 management
 committee;
 - (ii) the vice chairman (if
 any) of the
 management
 committee;
 - (iii) the
 secretary of
 the
 management
 committee;
 - (iv) the
 treasurer of
 the
 management

committee;

and

(v) any other

person who

is a member

of the

management

committee

but does not

fall within

the

description

of

subparagraph

(i), (ii),

(iii) or

(iv);";

(ii) by adding -

"(da) the name and address

of the insurance

company with which

the corporation has

effected a policy of

insurance under

section 28(1) and the period covered by the policy of insurance; ".".

New By adding -

"10A. Powers of corporation generally

Section 14 is amended by adding -

- "(4) Paragraph 6 of Schedule 2 shall, with necessary modifications, apply for the purposes of appointing an owner to replace a member of the management committee by the corporation under subsection (2), as it applies for the purposes of appointing an owner to fill a vacancy in a management committee by the corporation."."
- 11(a) (a) By deleting subparagraph (ii) and substituting -
- "(ii) by repealing "secretary, treasurer and other holders of office of the management committee appointed in accordance with the Second Schedule" and substituting "secretary and treasurer of the management committee appointed under section 14(2) or paragraph 2(1), 5(2), 6 or 6A of Schedule 2";".

- (b) By adding -
 - "(iii) by adding "in aggregate" before "not exceeding";".
- 13 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"13. Supplies, goods and services

Section 20A is amended -

- (a) in subsection (2) -
 - (i) by repealing "Any" and
 substituting "Subject to
 subsection (2A), any";
 - (ii) in paragraph (a), by repealing
 "\$100,000" and substituting
 "\$200,000";
 - (iii) in paragraph (b), by repealing
 "as may be approved by the
 corporation by a resolution
 passed at a general meeting"
 and substituting "as the
 Authority may specify by notice
 in the Gazette";
- (b) by adding -

- "(2A) Subsection (2) does not apply to any supplies, goods or services which but for this subsection would be required to be procured by a corporation by invitation to tender (referred to in this subsection as "relevant supplies, goods or services") if
 - supplies, goods or services are of the same type as any supplies, goods or services which are for the time being supplied to the corporation by a supplier; and
 - (b) the corporation
 decides by a
 resolution of the
 owners passed at a
 general meeting of
 the corporation that

the relevant
supplies, goods or
services shall be
procured from that
supplier on such
terms and conditions
as specified in the
resolution, instead
of by invitation to
tender.

- (2B) Where any supplies, goods or services are required under subsection (2)(b) to be procured by invitation to tender, whether a tender submitted for the purpose is accepted or not shall be decided by a resolution of the owners passed at a general meeting of the corporation.";
- (c) by repealing subsection (3);
- (d) by adding -
 - "(5) A contract for the procurement of any supplies, goods or services shall not be void by

reason only that it does not comply with subsection (1).

- (6) Where any supplies, goods or services are required under subsection (2) to be procured by invitation to tender, a contract for the procurement of the supplies, goods or services which does not comply with subsection (2) or (2B)
 - resolution passed by
 the corporation under
 paragraph (b) or any
 order made by the
 court under
 subsection (7), shall
 not be void by reason
 only that it does not
 comply with
 subsection (2) or
 (2B);

- made by the court
 under subsection (7),
 may be avoided by the
 corporation by a
 resolution of the
 owners passed at a
 general meeting of
 the corporation but
 only for the reason
 that it does not
 comply with
 subsection (2) or
 (2B).
- (7) In any legal proceedings in relation to a contract for the procurement of any supplies, goods or services to which subsection (2) or (2B) applies, the court may make such orders (including whether the contract is void or voidable) and give such directions in respect of the rights and obligations of the contractual parties as the court

thinks fit having regard to all the circumstances of the case, including (but not limited to) the following factors -

- (a) whether the supplies,
 goods or services
 have been procured by
 invitation to tender;
- (b) whether a general
 meeting of the
 corporation has been
 convened to consider
 the procurement of
 the supplies, goods
 or services;
- (c) whether the Code of
 Practice referred to
 in subsection (1) has
 been complied with;
- (d) whether the contract
 has been split, for
 the sole purpose of
 avoiding the
 compliance of the

requirements in
subsection (2) or
(2B), from a
contract which should
have been made for
the procurement of
supplies, goods or
services of greater
value;

- (e) whether the supplies,
 goods or services
 were urgently
 required;
- (f) the progress of any
 activities or works
 in relation to the
 supplies, goods or
 services;
- (g) whether the owners
 have benefited from
 the contract;
- (h) whether the owners
 have incurred any
 financial loss due to

- the contract and the
 extent thereof;
- (i) whether the supplier
 of the supplies,
 goods or services
 under the contract
 has acted in good
 faith;
- (j) whether the supplier
 of the supplies,
 goods or services
 under the contract
 has benefited from
 the contract; and
- (k) whether the supplier
 of the supplies,
 goods or services
 under the contract
 has incurred any
 financial loss due to
 the contract and the
 extent thereof.

- (8) For the purposes of subsection (7), where the court makes an order that the contract is voidable at the instance of the corporation, it shall also make an order that a general meeting of the corporation be convened and held in such manner as the court thinks fit, so as to decide whether the contract is to be avoided.
- (9) For the avoidance of doubt, subject to section 29A, any person who enters into a contract for the procurement of any supplies, goods or services otherwise than in compliance with subsection (2) or, if applicable, subsection (2B) may be personally liable for any claims arising from the contract.".".

New By adding -

"13A. Section added

The following is added -

"26A. Management committee to display information about legal proceedings

A management committee shall notify the owners of any legal proceedings to which the corporation is a party -

- (a) in the case of proceedings against the corporation, by displaying a notice containing the particulars of the proceedings in a prominent place in the building within 7 days of receiving any court documents commencing the proceedings, and causing the notice to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive days;
- (b) in the case of proceedings by the corporation, by displaying a notice containing the particulars of the proceedings in a prominent place in the building within 7 days of issuing any court documents commencing the proceedings, and causing the notice to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive

days.".".

- 14 By deleting paragraph (a) and substituting -
 - "(a) in subsection (1), by repealing everything after
 "every 12 months," and substituting -

"financial statements which -

- (a) shall be signed by -
 - (i) the chairman of the
 management committee;
 and
 - (ii) the secretary or the
 treasurer of the
 management committee;
- (b) if subsection (1A) is
 applicable, shall be audited
 under that subsection; and
- (c) together with the accountant's
 report made under subsection
 (1A), if any, shall be laid
 before the corporation at the
 annual general meeting of the
 corporation convened in
 accordance with paragraph 1(1)
 of Schedule 3.";".

- 14(c) In subparagraph (ii), by deleting the full stop and substituting a semicolon.
- 14 By adding -
 - "(d) in subsection (4), by adding "the inspection of any
 documents referred to in such accounts and
 records," after "records),".".
- In the proposed section 29A(1), by adding "and in a reasonable manner" after "in good faith".
- 16 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"16. Interpretation

Section 34D is amended -

- (a) in subsection (1) -

relation to a building, means the DMC manager or any other person who for the time being is,

for the purposes of the deed of mutual covenant, managing the building;";

(ii) by repealing the definition of
 "owners' committee" and
 substituting -

""owners' committee" (業主委

員會), in relation to a building, means the committee of owners (howsoever named) formed under or in accordance with the deed of mutual covenant in respect of the building.";

(iii) by adding -

""DMC manager" (公契經理人),
in relation to a
building, means the
person who is
specified in the deed
of mutual covenant to

manage the

building;";

- (c) by repealing subsection (4).".
- 17 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"17. Right to establish corporation and conduct business

Section 34J(4)(a) is amended by repealing "Part II" and substituting "section 3, 3A, 4 or 40C".".

- 19(a) In the proposed section 40C(3), in the Chinese text, by deleting "多數票" and substituting "過半數票".
- 19(c) In the proposed section 40C(4), by deleting "any person referred to in section 3(1)(a) or (b)" and substituting "the person referred to in section 3(1)(a) or (b) (if any)".
- 19(d) (a) By deleting the proposed section 40C(5)(b) and substituting -
 - "(b) the resolutions that are to be proposed at the

 meeting and are related only to the appointment of
 a management committee, the incorporation of the

 owners and the appointment of a building management

agent.".

- (b) In the proposed section 40C(7), by deleting everything after "building" and substituting a full stop.
- (c) In the proposed section 40C(11)(a)(ii), by deleting
 "sealed or stamped with the seal or stamp" and
 substituting "impressed with the seal or chop".
- (d) By deleting the proposed section 40C(11)(b) and (c) and substituting -
 - "(b) the instrument appointing a proxy shall be lodged with the convenor at least 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting;
 - (c) the instrument appointing a proxy is valid only if
 it is made and lodged in accordance with paragraphs
 (a) and (b);
 - (d) a proxy appointed by an owner to attend and vote on behalf of the owner shall, for the purposes of the meeting, be treated as being the owner present at the meeting; and
 - (e) where an instrument appointing a proxy is lodged with the convenor, the convenor shall -
 - (i) acknowledge receipt of the instrument by leaving a receipt at the flat of the owner who made the instrument, or depositing the receipt in the letter box

- for that flat, before the time for the holding of the meeting;
- (ii) determine the validity of the instrument
 in accordance with paragraph (c); and
- (iii) display information of the owner's flat in a prominent place in the place of the meeting before the time for the holding of the meeting, and cause the information to remain so displayed until the conclusion of the meeting.".

(e) By adding -

- "(12) Subject to subsection (13), the convenor shall keep all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with him for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.
- (13) Where a management committee or building management agent is appointed at a meeting of owners convened under this section -
 - (a) the convenor shall deliver to the management committee or building management agent, as the case may be, immediately after the conclusion of the meeting all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been

- lodged with him; and
- (b) the management committee or building management agent, as the case may be, shall keep the instruments for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.
- (14) Subject to subsection (15), where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, subsections (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12) and (13) shall apply to the adjourned meeting as they apply to the original meeting.
- (15) Where a meeting of owners convened under this section is adjourned, a valid instrument appointing a proxy made for the purposes of the original meeting shall remain valid for the purposes of the adjourned meeting unless -
 - (a) contrary intention is shown on the
 instrument;
 - (b) the instrument is revoked; or
 - (c) the instrument is replaced by a new instrument appointing a proxy.".
- 20 By adding before paragraph (a) -
 - "(aa) in subparagraph (i), by repealing "and the

occupiers and owners of a building";

- (ac) by repealing subparagraph (v);".
- 20(a) By adding "insolvency or" before "winding up".
- 20 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -
 - "(b) by adding -
- 22 In the proposed Schedule 1A, by deleting Forms 1 and 2 and substituting -

"FORM 1

INSTRUMENT OF PROXY FOR MEETINGS OF OWNERS

| Meeting of the owners of |
|--|
| (description of building) |
| |
| I/We,(name(s) of owner(s)), |
| being the owner(s) of |
| (unit and address of building), |
| hereby appoint(name of proxy) |
| *[or failing him(name of |
| alternative proxy)], as my/our proxy to attend and vote on |
| my/our behalf at the meeting of the owners of the building |
| described above, to be held on the day of day of |
| *[and at any adjournment thereof]. |
| |
| Dated this day of . |
| |
| (Signature of owner(s)) |
| |

^{*}Delete where inapplicable.

FORM 2

INSTRUMENT OF PROXY FOR MEETINGS OF CORPORATION

| The Incorporated Owners of |
|--|
| (description of building) |
| |
| I/We,(name(s) of owner(s)), |
| being the owner(s) of |
| (unit and address of building), |
| hereby appoint(name of proxy) |
| *[or failing him(name of |
| alternative proxy)], as my/our proxy to attend and vote on |
| my/our behalf at the [*general meeting/annual general meeting] |
| of The Incorporated Owners of |
| (description of building), to be held on the day |
| of*[and at any adjournment thereof]. |
| |
| Dated this day of . |
| |
| (Signature of owner(s)) |
| |

^{*}Delete where inapplicable.".

- 23(b) By adding "18," after "14,".
- 23 By deleting paragraph (c) and substituting -
 - "(c) by repealing paragraph 1 and substituting -
 - "1. (1) The number of members of a management committee shall be as follows -
 - (a) where the building contains not more than 50 flats, the number of members shall be not less than 3;
 - (b) where the building contains
 more than 50 flats but not more
 than 100 flats, the number of
 members shall be not less than
 7;
 - (c) where the building contains
 more than 100 flats, the number
 of members shall be not less
 than 9.
 - (2) Subject to subparagraph (1), the number of members of a management committee shall be decided by a resolution of the owners under paragraph 2(1)(a).

- (3) Subject to subparagraph (1), the number of members of a management committee as decided under paragraph 2(1)(a) may be changed from time to time by a resolution of the owners passed at a general meeting of the corporation (except a general meeting of the corporation convened under paragraph 6A(1)).
- (4) A management committee shall include
 the tenants' representative (if any)
 appointed under section 15(1).";".
- 23(d) (a) In subparagraph (i), by deleting the proposed paragraph 2(1) and substituting -
 - "(1) At a meeting of owners convened under section
 3, 3A, 4 or 40C, after a management committee is
 appointed -
 - (a) the owners shall, by a resolution passed by a majority of the votes of the owners, decide the number of members of the management committee;
 - (b) subject to subparagraph (2), the owners shall, by resolution, appoint, from amongst the owners, the members of the management committee;

- (c) the owners shall, by resolution -
 - (i) appoint a person, from amongst
 the members of the management
 committee, as the chairman of
 the management committee;
 - (ii) appoint a person, whether or
 not he is a member of the
 management committee, as the
 secretary of the management
 committee; and
 - (iii) appoint a person, whether or
 not he is a member of the
 management committee, as the
 treasurer of the management
 committee; and
- (d) the owners may, by resolution, appoint a person, from amongst the members of the management committee, as the vicechairman of the management committee.".
- (b) In subparagraph (ii) -
 - (i) by adding -
 - "(2A) For the purposes of appointing the members of a management committee under subparagraph (1)(b) -

- (a) where the number of candidates
 is not more than the number of
 members of the management
 committee to be appointed, the
 candidates shall be deemed to
 be appointed as members of the
 management committee, and a
 resolution to that effect
 shall be deemed to be passed
 under subparagraph (1)(b)
 accordingly;
- (b) where there are more
 candidates than the number of
 members of the management
 committee to be appointed -
 - (i) the votes shall be
 given and counted in
 accordance with the
 simple or relative
 majority system of
 voting (otherwise
 known as the "first
 past the post" system
 of voting), under

which -

- (A) an owner may
 vote for not
 more than the
 number of
 members of the
 management
 committee to be
 appointed; and
- to be appointed
 as members of
 the management
 committee are
 those who obtain
 the greatest
 number of votes
 and then the
 next greatest
 and so on until
 the required
 number of
 members of the
 management

committee is
appointed;

if, after the (ii) counting is finished, a member of the management committee is still to be appointed and the most successful candidates remaining have an equal number of votes, the person who presides at the meeting shall determine the result by drawing lots, and the candidate on whom the lot falls is to be appointed as a member of the management committee.

(2B) For the purposes of appointing the chairman, vice-chairman (if applicable), secretary and treasurer of a management

committee under subparagraph (1)(c) and (d) -

- (a) where there is only one candidate for the office of the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer of the management committee, the candidate shall be deemed to be appointed as the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the management committee, and a resolution to that effect shall be deemed to be passed under subparagraph (1)(c) or (d), as the case may be, accordingly;
 - (b) where there is more than one
 candidate for the office of the
 chairman, vice-chairman,
 secretary or treasurer of the
 management committee -
 - (i) the votes shall be
 given and counted in
 accordance with the

simple or relative majority system of voting (otherwise known as the "first past the post" system of voting), under which the candidate to be appointed as the chairman, vicechairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the management committee is the candidate who obtains the greatest number of votes;

(ii) if, after the
 counting is finished,
 the most successful
 candidates for the
 office of the
 chairman, vice chairman, secretary
 or treasurer of the

management committee have an equal number of votes, the person who presides at the meeting shall determine the result by drawing lots, and the candidate on whom the lot falls is to be appointed as the chairman, vicechairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the management committee.";

- (ii) in the proposed paragraph 2(3) -
 - (A) by deleting "subparagraph (1)(a)" and
 substituting "subparagraph (1)(b)";

- (iii) in the proposed paragraph 2(4), by deleting
 "subparagraph (1)" and substituting
 "subparagraph (1)(b), (c) and (d)";
- (iv) in the proposed paragraph 2(4)(a), by
 deleting "section 3(8), (9) and (10)" and
 substituting "section 3(7), (8), (9), (10),
 (11), (12), (13) and (14)";

- 23(e) By deleting "paragraph 2(1)(a)" and substituting "paragraph 2(1)(b)".

- 23(f) (a) In subparagraph (i) -
 - (i) in the proposed paragraph 4(1), by deleting
 "paragraphs 2(1)(a) and 5(2)(a)" and
 substituting "section 14(2) and paragraphs
 2(1)(b), 5(2)(a), 6 and 6A";
 - (ii) in the proposed paragraph 4(1)(a) -
 - (A) by deleting "proposed";
 - (B) in the English text, by deleting "the
 person's creditors" and substituting
 "his creditors";
 - (iii) in the proposed paragraph 4(1)(b), by adding
 "in Hong Kong or any other place" after "an
 offence".
 - (b) By deleting subparagraph (ii) and substituting "(ii) in subparagraph (2) -
 - (A) in sub-subparagraph (d), by adding "or (if he is the secretary or the office of the secretary is vacant) the chairman of the management committee" after "committee";
 - (B) in sub-subparagraph (e), by repealing ", or ceases to be qualified to be a member according to the deed of mutual covenant (if any), as the case may be";".

- (c) In subparagraph (iii) -
 - (i) in the proposed paragraph 4(3) -
 - (A) by deleting "paragraph 5(2)(a)" and
 substituting "section 14(2) or paragraph
 2(1)(b), 5(2)(a), 6 or 6A";
 - (B) by deleting "14 days" and substituting "21 days";
 - (ii) by adding -
 - "(3A) A member of the management
 committee who fails to comply with
 subparagraph (3) shall cease to be such
 member.";
 - (iii) in the proposed paragraph 4(4) -
 - (A) by deleting "section 7(3)(e) or";
 - (B) by deleting "14 days" and substituting "21 days";
 - (iv) by deleting the proposed paragraph 4(5) and substituting -
 - "(5) The secretary of the management committee shall -
 - (a) after receiving a declaration
 by virtue of subparagraph (3)
 from a member of the management
 committee appointed under

paragraph 2(1)(b), cause the declaration to be lodged with the Land Registrar within the period of 28 days referred to in section 7(1);

- (b) within 28 days after receiving a declaration by virtue of subparagraph (3) from a member of the management committee appointed under section 14(2) or paragraph 5(2)(a), 6 or 6A, or by virtue of subparagraph (4), lodge with the Land Registrar the declaration.".
- 23(g) (a) In subparagraph (ii), by deleting the proposed paragraph 5(2) and substituting -
 - "(2) At an annual general meeting of a corporation at which the members of the management committee retire under subparagraph (1) -
 - (a) subject to subparagraph (2A), the corporation shall, by a resolution passed at the general meeting, appoint, from amongst the owners, the members of a new

management committee;

- (b) the corporation shall, by a resolution passed at the general meeting -
 - (i) appoint a person, from amongst
 the members of the new
 management committee, as the
 chairman of the new management
 committee;
 - (ii) appoint a person, whether or
 not he is a member of the new
 management committee, as the
 secretary of the new management
 committee; and
 - (iii) appoint a person, whether or
 not he is a member of the new
 management committee, as the
 treasurer of the new management
 committee; and
- (c) the corporation may, by a resolution passed at the general meeting, appoint a person, from amongst the members of the new management committee, as the vice-chairman of the new management committee.".

- (b) In subparagraph (iii), by deleting the proposed paragraph 5(2A) and substituting -
 - "(2A) The tenants' representative appointed under section 15(1) shall be deemed to be appointed by the corporation as a member of the new management committee.
 - (2B) For the purposes of appointing the members of the new management committee under subparagraph (2)(a) -
 - (a) where the number of candidates is not more than the number of members of the new management committee to be appointed, the candidates shall be deemed to be appointed as members of the new management committee, and a resolution to that effect shall be deemed to be passed under subparagraph (2)(a) accordingly;
 - (b) where there are more candidates than the number of members of the new management committee to be appointed -
 - (i) the votes shall be given and counted in accordance with the simple or relative majority system of voting (otherwise known as the "first past the post" system of voting), under

which -

- (A) an owner may vote for not
 more than the number of
 members of the new
 management committee to be
 appointed; and
- (B) the candidates to be
 appointed as members of
 the new management
 committee are those who
 obtain the greatest number
 of votes and then the next
 greatest and so on until
 the required number of
 members of the new
 management committee is
 appointed;
- (ii) if, after the counting is
 finished, a member of the new
 management committee is still
 to be appointed and the most
 successful candidates remaining
 have an equal number of votes,
 the person who presides at the

meeting shall determine the result by drawing lots, and the candidate on whom the lot falls is to be appointed as a member of the new management committee.

- (2C) For the purposes of appointing the chairman,
 vice-chairman (if applicable), secretary and treasurer
 of the new management committee under subparagraph
 (2)(b) and (c) -
 - (a) where there is only one candidate for the office of the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer of the new management committee, the candidate shall be deemed to be appointed as the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the new management committee, and a resolution to that effect shall be deemed to be passed under subparagraph (2)(b) or (c), as the case may be, accordingly;
 - (b) where there is more than one candidate for the office of the chairman, vicechairman, secretary or treasurer of the

new management committee -

- counted in accordance with the simple or relative majority system of voting (otherwise known as the "first past the post" system of voting), under which the candidate to be appointed as the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the new management committee is the candidate who obtains the greatest number of votes;
- (ii) if, after the counting is
 finished, the most successful
 candidates for the office of
 the chairman, vice-chairman,
 secretary or treasurer of the
 new management committee have
 an equal number of votes, the
 person who presides at the
 meeting shall determine the
 result by drawing lots, and the

candidate on whom the lot falls is to be appointed as the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the new management committee.".

- (c) In subparagraph (iv), in the proposed paragraph 5(4), by
 deleting "subparagraph (2)(c) or (d)" and substituting
 "subparagraph (2)(b)(ii) or (iii)".
- 23 By adding -
 - "(ga) in paragraph 5A -
 - (i) by adding "or (3A)" after "paragraph 4(2)";
 - (ii) by repealing "if the secretary is not readily
 available, any other member" and substituting
 "if the office of the secretary is vacant, the
 chairman";
 - (gb) in paragraph 6 -
 - (i) by repealing subparagraph (1) and substituting -
 - "(1) Notwithstanding paragraph 1, subject to subparagraph (1A) and paragraph 6A, a vacancy in a management committee which occurs other than by

reason of the expiration of the term of office may be filled by the corporation or the management committee under subparagraph (3), (4) or (5), as the case requires.";

- (ii) by repealing subparagraph (1A) and substituting -
 - "(1A) If the vacancy is caused by the tenants' representative ceasing to be a member of the management committee for whatever reason, the vacancy may be filled by the approved association (within the meaning of section 15(2)) appointing a new tenants' representative under section 15(1).";
- (iii) by repealing subparagraphs (1B) and (2);
 - (iv) by adding -
 - "(3) If the vacancy occurs in the office of a member of a management committee (other than a vacancy caused by the tenants' representative ceasing to be a member of the management committee) -

- (a) the corporation may, by a
 resolution passed at a
 general meeting of the
 corporation, appoint an
 owner to fill the vacancy
 till the next annual
 general meeting of the
 corporation at which the
 members of the management
 committee retire under
 paragraph 5(1); or
- (b) if no general meeting of the corporation has been so convened or no appointment is made to fill the vacancy at a general meeting so convened, the management committee may appoint an owner to fill the vacancy till the next general meeting of the corporation.

- (4) If the vacancy occurs in the office of the chairman or vice-chairman of a management committee
 - resolution passed at a
 general meeting of the
 corporation, appoint a
 person, from amongst the
 members of the management
 committee, to fill the
 vacancy till the next
 annual general meeting of
 the corporation at which
 the members of the
 management committee
 retire under paragraph
 5(1); or
 - (b) if no general meeting of the corporation has been so convened or no appointment is made to fill the vacancy at a general meeting so convened, the members of

the management committee

may appoint a person, from

amongst themselves, to

fill the vacancy till the

next general meeting of

the corporation.

- (5) If the vacancy occurs in the office of the secretary or treasurer of a management committee
 - resolution passed at a
 general meeting of the
 corporation, appoint a
 person, whether or not he
 is a member of the
 management committee, to
 fill the vacancy till the
 next annual general
 meeting of the corporation
 at which the members of
 the management committee
 retire under paragraph
 5(1); or

- (b) if no general meeting of
 the corporation has been
 so convened or no
 appointment is made to
 fill the vacancy at a
 general meeting so
 convened, the management
 committee may appoint a
 person, whether or not he
 is a member of the
 management committee, to
 fill the vacancy till the
 next general meeting of
 the corporation.
- (6) A person who is not a member of a management committee does not by virtue of his appointment as the secretary or treasurer of the management committee under subparagraph (5)(a) or (b), as the case may be, become a member of the management committee.
- (7) For the purposes of filling the vacancy occurring in the office of a member of a management committee under

subparagraph (3)(a) -

- a) where the number of
 candidates is not more
 than the number of members
 of the management
 committee to be appointed,
 the candidates shall be
 deemed to be appointed as
 members of the management
 committee, and a
 resolution to that effect
 shall be deemed to be
 passed under subparagraph
 (3)(a) accordingly;
- (b) where there are more
 candidates than the number
 of members of the
 management committee to be
 appointed -
 - (i) the votes shall
 be given and
 counted in
 accordance with
 the simple or

relative
majority system
of voting
(otherwise known
as the "first
past the post"
system of
voting), under
which -

- (A) an owner

 may vote

 for not

 more than

 the number

 of members

 of the

 management

 committee

 to be

 appointed;

 and
- (B) the candidates

appointed

as members

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is

appointed;

(ii) if, after the counting is finished, a member of the management committee is still to be appointed and the most successful candidates remaining have an equal number of votes, the person who presides at the meeting shall determine the result by drawing lots, and the candidate on whom the lot falls is to be

appointed as a member of the management committee.

- (8) For the purposes of filling the vacancy occurring in the office of the chairman or vice-chairman of a management committee under subparagraph (4)(a), or the office of the secretary or treasurer of a management committee under subparagraph (5)(a) -
 - (a) where there is only one
 candidate for the office
 of the chairman, vice chairman, secretary or
 treasurer of the
 management committee, the
 candidate shall be deemed
 to be appointed as the
 chairman, vice-chairman,
 secretary or treasurer, as
 the case may be, of the
 management committee, and
 a resolution to that

effect shall be deemed to be passed under subparagraph (4)(a) or (5)(a), as the case may be, accordingly;

- (b) where there is more than
 one candidate for the
 office of the chairman,
 vice-chairman, secretary
 or treasurer of the
 management committee -
 - (i) the votes shall
 be given and
 counted in
 accordance with
 the simple or
 relative
 majority system
 of voting
 (otherwise known
 as the "first
 past the post"
 system of
 voting), under

which the candidate to be appointed as the chairman, vicechairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the management committee is the candidate who obtains the greatest number of votes;

(ii) if, after the
 counting is
 finished, the
 most successful
 candidates for
 the office of
 the chairman,
 vice-chairman,
 secretary or

treasurer of the management committee have an equal number of votes, the person who presides at the meeting shall determine the result by drawing lots, and the candidate on whom the lot falls is to be appointed as the chairman, vicechairman, secretary or treasurer, as the case may be, of the management committee.";

- (gc) by adding -
 - "6A. (1) Notwithstanding paragraphs 1 and 9, where the number of vacancies occurring in the offices of members of a management committee is more than 50% of the number of members of the management committee as decided under paragraph 2(1)(a) or, if that number of members has been changed under paragraph 1(3), 50% of the number of members so changed -
 - (a) the chairman of the management committee may convene a general meeting of the corporation for the sole purpose of filling the vacancies in the management committee; or
 - (b) if one of the vacancies occurs in the office of the chairman of the management committee, the remaining members of the management committee may appoint a person, from amongst themselves, to convene a general meeting of the corporation for the sole purpose of filling the vacancies in the management

committee.

- (2) For the purposes of filling the vacanciesin a management committee under subparagraph(1) -
 - (a) paragraph 6(3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(a),
 (6), (7) and (8) shall apply as it
 applies where the number of
 vacancies occurring in the offices
 of members of a management
 committee is not more than 50% of
 the number of members of the
 management committee as decided
 under paragraph 2(1)(a) or, if that
 number of members has been changed
 under paragraph 1(3), 50% of the
 number of members so changed; and
 - (b) Schedule 3 (except paragraph 1 of that Schedule) shall, subject to the following modifications, apply as it applies to a general meeting of the corporation convened by a management committee -

- of the corporation is
 convened under
 subparagraph (1)(a) and
 one of the vacancies
 occurs in the office of
 the secretary of the
 management committee, the
 references to the
 secretary of the
 management committee in
 Schedule 3 shall be
 construed as references to
 the chairman of the
 management committee;
- (ii) where the general meeting
 of the corporation is
 convened under
 subparagraph (1)(b), the
 references to the chairman
 of the management
 committee in Schedule 3
 shall be construed as
 references to the person

appointed under that subparagraph to convene the meeting;

(iii) where the general meeting of the corporation is convened under subparagraph (1)(b) and one of the vacancies occurs in the office of the secretary of the management committee, the references to the secretary of the management committee in Schedule 3 shall be construed as references to the person appointed under that subparagraph to convene the meeting.";".

23(h) (a) By adding before subparagraph (i) -

"(ia) in subparagraph (1)(b), by adding ", and held
within 21 days of receiving such request" after
"such request";".

- (b) In subparagraph (i), in the proposed paragraph 8(2), by adding "and (if the treasurer of the management committee is not a member of the management committee) the treasurer of the management committee, and display the notice of meeting in a prominent place in the building" before the full stop.
- - (a) by delivering it personally to the
 member of the management committee
 or (if the treasurer of the
 management committee is not a
 member of the management
 committee) the treasurer of the
 management committee;
 - (b) by sending it by post to the
 member or, if applicable, the
 treasurer, at his last known
 address; or
 - (c) by leaving it at the flat of the
 member or, if applicable, the
 treasurer or depositing it in the
 letter box for that flat.";".

- (d) By deleting subparagraph (iv) and substituting "(iv) by repealing subparagraph (3);".
- 23 By adding -
 - "(ha) by repealing paragraph 10(4B) and substituting
 "(4B) The secretary shall display the

 minutes certified in accordance with

 subparagraph (4A) in a prominent place in the

 building within 28 days of the date of the

 meeting of the management committee to which

 the minutes relate, and cause the minutes to

 remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive

 days.";".
- 23 By deleting paragraph (j) and substituting -
 - "(j) in paragraph 11 -
 - (i) in subparagraph (1) -
 - (A) by repealing "Notwithstanding any
 provision in a deed of mutual
 covenant to the contrary, where" and
 substituting "Where";
 - (B) by repealing everything after "in his own right" and substituting "and paragraph 4(1), (2)(a), (b), (c),

- (d) and (f), (3), (3A) and (4) shall
 apply to the authorized
 representative.";
- (ii) by repealing subparagraph (2) and
 substituting -
 - "(2) If an authorized representative ceases to be a member of a management committee under paragraph 4(2)(a), (b), (c), (d) or (f) or (3A), the body corporate may appoint another authorized representative in his place, and paragraph 4(1), (2)(a), (b), (c), (d) and (f), (3), (3A) and (4) shall apply to that other authorized representative."."

- 24 By adding -
 - "(ba) in paragraph 1(2), by adding ", and hold the general meeting within 45 days of receiving such request" after "such request";".
- 24(c) By deleting subparagraph (iv) and substituting -

- 24(d) By deleting subparagraph (iii) and substituting "(iii) in subparagraph (3) -
 - (A) by adding "and paragraphs 5(2), (2B) and
 (2C), 6(3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(a), (7) and (8)
 and 6A(2)(a) of Schedule 2" after "section
 10(1)";
 - (B) by repealing "majority of votes of the owners" and substituting "majority of the votes of the owners voting either personally or by proxy";".
- 24(e) (a) In subparagraph (ii), by deleting "sealed or stamped with the seal or stamp" and substituting "impressed with the seal or chop".
 - (b) In subparagraph (iii), in the proposed paragraph 4(3), by deleting "24 hours" and substituting "48 hours".
 - (c) By adding "(iv) by adding -

- "(4) The instrument appointing a proxy is valid only if it is made and lodged in accordance with subparagraphs (2) and (3).
- (5) Where an instrument appointing a proxy is lodged with the secretary of the management committee -
 - (a) the secretary shall
 - of the instrument by
 leaving a receipt at
 the flat of the owner
 who made the
 instrument, or
 depositing the
 receipt in the letter
 box for that flat,
 before the time for
 the holding of the
 meeting; and
 - (ii) display information
 of the owner's flat
 in a prominent place
 in the place of the
 meeting before the

time for the holding
of the meeting, and
cause the information
to remain so
displayed until the
conclusion of the
meeting; and

- (b) the chairman of the management committee or, if he is absent, the person who presides at the meeting, shall determine the validity of the instrument in accordance with subparagraph (4).
- (6) The management committee shall keep all the instruments for the appointment of proxies that have been lodged with the secretary of the management committee for a period of at least 12 months after the conclusion of the meeting.";".
- 24 By adding -
 - "(ea) by repealing paragraph 5(2) and substituting -

- "(2) A proxy appointed by an owner to attend and vote on behalf of the owner at a meeting of the corporation shall, for the purposes of the meeting, be treated as being the owner present at the meeting.";
- (eb) by adding -
 - "5A. (1) Subject to subparagraph (2), where a meeting of the corporation convened under paragraph 1 is adjourned, paragraphs 2, 3, 4 and 5 shall apply to the adjourned meeting as they apply to the original meeting.
 - (2) Where a meeting of the corporation convened under paragraph 1 is adjourned, a valid instrument appointing a proxy made for the purposes of the original meeting shall remain valid for the purposes of the adjourned meeting unless -
 - (a) contrary intention is shown on
 the instrument;
 - (b) the instrument is revoked; or
 - (c) the instrument is replaced by a
 new instrument appointing a
 proxy.";

- (ec) by repealing paragraph 6(3) and substituting -
 - "(3) The secretary shall display the minutes certified in accordance with subparagraph (2) in a prominent place in the building within 28 days of the date of the general meeting to which the minutes relate, and cause the minutes to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive days.";".
- 24(f) By deleting the full stop at the end and substituting a semicolon.
- 24 By adding -
 - "(g) by repealing paragraph 9.".
- 25 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -
 - "(b) by repealing the heading and substituting -

"MAXIMUM ALLOWANCES PAYABLE TO CHAIRMAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN, SECRETARY AND TREASURER OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE";".

25(c) By deleting the full stop at the end and substituting a semicolon.

- 25 By adding -
 - "(d) in the heading of column 3, by adding "for each
 person" after "per month".".
- 27 By adding -
 - "(ba) by adding -
 - "1A. The management committee shall -
 - (a) at the request of not less than

 5% of the owners, permit those
 owners or any person appointed
 by those owners to inspect any
 bills, invoices, vouchers,
 receipts or other documents
 referred to in paragraph 1 at
 any reasonable time; and
 - (b) permit any person authorized by
 the court to inspect any bills,
 invoices, vouchers, receipts or
 other documents referred to in
 paragraph 1 at any reasonable
 time.

- 1B. For the purposes of paragraph 1A(b), an owner may apply to the court for an order authorizing the owner, or any other person named in the application, to inspect any bills, invoices, vouchers, receipts or other documents referred to in paragraph 1.
- 1C. The court may make an order under
 paragraph 1B only if it is satisfied that -
 - (a) the application is made in good faith; and
 - (b) the inspection applied for is
 for a proper purpose.";
- (bb) in paragraph 2, by repealing everything after "that period" and substituting ", display a copy of the summary in a prominent place in the building, and cause it to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive days.";".
- 28 By adding -
 - "(aa) in paragraph 1(2) -
 - (i) in sub-subparagraph (b), by adding ", and cause it to remain so displayed for at least 7 consecutive days" after "in the

building";

- 28 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting "(b) in paragraph 2 -
 - (i) in subparagraph (2), by repealing
 everything after "expenditure" and
 substituting "and a balance sheet in
 respect of that period, display a copy of
 the summary and balance sheet in a
 prominent place in the building, and
 cause it to remain so displayed for at
 least 7 consecutive days.";
 - (ii) in subparagraph (3), by adding ", display
 a copy of the income and expenditure
 account and balance sheet in a prominent
 place in the building, and cause it to
 remain so displayed for at least 7
 consecutive days" after "that year";

(iii) in subparagraph (6), by repealing the
full stop and substituting -

"and -

- (a) permit any owner, at
 any reasonable time,
 to inspect the
 audited income and
 expenditure account
 and balance sheet and
 the report made by
 the accountant or
 auditor in respect of
 the income and
 expenditure account
 and balance sheet;
 and
- (b) on payment of a
 reasonable copying
 charge, supply any
 owner with a copy of
 the audited income
 and expenditure
 account and balance
 sheet, or the report

made by the

accountant or auditor

in respect of the

income and

expenditure account

and balance sheet, or

both, as requested by

the owner.";".

- 28(e) By deleting the proposed paragraph 5(1) and (2) and substituting -
 - "(1) Subject to subparagraphs (2) and (3), the manager shall not enter into any contract for the procurement of any supplies, goods or services the value of which exceeds or is likely to exceed the sum of \$200,000 or such other sum in substitution therefor as the Authority may specify by notice in the Gazette unless -
 - (a) the supplies, goods or services are procured by invitation to tender; and
 - (b) the procurement complies with the Code of Practice referred to in section 20A(1).

- (2) Subject to subparagraph (3), the manager shall not enter into any contract for the procurement of any supplies, goods or services the value of which exceeds or is likely to exceed a sum which is equivalent to 20% of the annual budget or such other percentage in substitution therefor as the Authority may specify by notice in the Gazette unless -
 - (a) if there is a corporation -
 - (i) the supplies, goods or services are procured by invitation to tender;
 - (ii) the procurement complies with
 the Code of Practice referred
 to in section 20A(1); and
 - (iii) whether a tender submitted for
 the purpose is accepted or not
 is decided by a resolution of
 the owners passed at a general
 meeting of the corporation, and
 the contract is entered into
 with the successful tenderer;
 or

(b) if there is no corporation -

- (i) the supplies, goods or services are procured by invitation to tender;
- (ii) the procurement complies with
 the Code of Practice referred
 to in section 20A(1); and
- (iii) whether a tender submitted for
 the purpose is accepted or not
 is decided by a resolution of
 the owners passed at a meeting
 of owners convened and
 conducted in accordance with
 the deed of mutual covenant,
 and the contract is entered
 into with the successful
 tenderer.
- (3) Subparagraphs (1) and (2) do not apply to any supplies, goods or services which but for this subparagraph would be required to be procured by invitation to tender (referred to in this subparagraph as "relevant supplies, goods or services") -
 - (a) where there is a corporation, if -

- (i) the relevant supplies, goods or services are of the same type as any supplies, goods or services which are for the time being supplied to the corporation by a supplier; and
- (ii) the corporation decides by a
 resolution of the owners passed
 at a general meeting of the
 corporation that the relevant
 supplies, goods or services
 shall be procured from that
 supplier on such terms and
 conditions as specified in the
 resolution, instead of by
 invitation to tender; or
- (b) where there is no corporation, if -
 - (i) the relevant supplies, goods or
 services are of the same type
 as any supplies, goods or
 services which are for the time
 being supplied to the owners by
 a supplier; and

- resolution of the owners passed at a meeting of owners convened and conducted in accordance with the deed of mutual covenant that the relevant supplies, goods or services shall be procured from that supplier on such terms and conditions as specified in the resolution, instead of by invitation to tender.".
- 28(g) (a) By deleting subparagraph (i).
 - (b) By deleting subparagraph (ii) and substituting "(ii) by repealing subparagraph (1) and substituting "(1) Subject to subparagraph (5A), at a
 general meeting convened for the purpose, a
 corporation may, by a resolution -
 - (a) passed by a majority of the votes of the owners voting either personally or by proxy; and

(b) supported by the owners of not less than 50% of the shares in aggregate,

terminate by notice the DMC manager's appointment without compensation.";".

- (c) By deleting subparagraph (v) and substituting "(v) by repealing subparagraph (4);".
- (d) By adding -
 - "(via) in subparagraph (5A)(b), by repealing

 "subparagraph (1)" and substituting "subparagraph

 (1)(b)";
 - (vib) by adding -
 - "(5B) If a contract for the appointment of a manager other than a DMC manager contains no provision for the termination of the manager's appointment, subparagraphs (1), (2), (3) and (5A) apply to the termination of the manager's appointment as they apply to the termination of a DMC manager's appointment.
 - (5C) Subparagraph (5B) operates without prejudice to any other power there may be in a contract for the appointment of a manager other than a DMC manager to terminate the

appointment of the manager.";".

- (e) By deleting subparagraph (vii).
- 28 By adding -
 - "(h) in paragraph 8 -
 - (i) by renumbering it as paragraph 8(2);
 - (ii) by adding -

"(1) Subject to subparagraph (2), if the manager's appointment ends for any reason, he shall, as soon as practicable after his appointment ends, and in any event within 14 days of the date his appointment ends, deliver to the owners' committee (if any) or the manager appointed in his place any movable property in respect of the control, management and administration of the building that is under his control or in his custody or possession, and that belongs to the corporation (if any) or the owners.";

- (iii) by repealing subparagraph (2)(b) and
 substituting -
 - "(b) deliver to the owners'

 committee (if any) or the

 manager appointed in his place

 any books or records of

 accounts, papers, documents

 and other records which are

 required for the purposes of

 sub-subparagraph (a) and have

 not been delivered under

 subparagraph (1).";
- (i) by adding -

"9. Communication among owners

The manager shall consult (either generally or in any particular case) the corporation at a general meeting of the corporation and adopt the approach decided by the corporation on the channels of communication among owners on any business relating to the management of the building.".".

- "(ea) by repealing paragraph 8 and substituting -
 - "8. A meeting of owners may be convened by -
 - (a) the owners' committee;
 - (b) the manager; or
 - (c) an owner appointed to convene
 such a meeting by the owners
 of not less than 5% of the
 shares in aggregate.";".
- 29(f) In the proposed paragraph 9, in the English text, by deleting "or persons".
- 29 By adding -
 - "(ha) by repealing paragraph 12 and substituting
 "12. A meeting of owners shall be presided

 over by the chairman of the owners' committee

 or, if the meeting is convened under

 paragraph 8(b) or (c), the person convening

 the meeting.";".
- 29 By deleting paragraph (j) and substituting -
 - "(j) by repealing paragraph 14 and substituting
 "14. (1) An instrument appointing a proxy

shall be in the form set out in Form 1 in

Schedule 1A, and -

- (a) shall be signed by the owner; or
- (b) if the owner is a body
 corporate, shall,
 notwithstanding anything to
 the contrary in its
 constitution, be impressed
 with the seal or chop of the
 body corporate and signed by a
 person authorized by the body
 corporate in that behalf.
- (2) The instrument appointing a proxy shall be lodged with the chairman of the owners' committee or, if the meeting is convened under paragraph 8(b) or (c), the person convening the meeting at least 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting.
- (3) A proxy appointed by an owner to attend and vote on behalf of the owner shall, for the purposes of the meeting, be treated as being the owner present at the meeting.".".

- 32 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -

11 of Schedule 8 are specified;".".

- 33 By adding before paragraph (a) -
 - "(aa) in the heading, by repealing "Obligations" and substituting "Matters";".
- 33(a) (a) By deleting subparagraph (i) and substituting
 "(i) by repealing ", on behalf of the corporation and
 the occupiers and owners of a building,";".
 - (b) In subparagraph (ii), in the Chinese text, by deleting "該建築物的" and substituting "有關建築物的".
- 33 By deleting paragraph (b).
- 33 By deleting paragraph (c) and substituting -
 - '(c) in subsection (3), by repealing ", on behalf of the corporation and the occupiers and owners of a building, ";".

- 33(e) In the English text, by deleting "the treasurer" and substituting "The treasurer".
- 33(f) In the proposed section 28(6A), by deleting "effected the policy of insurance" and substituting "effected a policy of insurance under subsection (1)".
- Part 4 By deleting the Part.
- 36(3) In paragraph (a), by deleting "an annual general meeting" and substituting "a general meeting".
- 39 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -
 - "(b) in subsection (3) -
 - (i) by repealing "多數票" and substituting "過半數票";
 - (ii) by repealing "委任" and substituting "委任";".
- 40 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -
 - "(b) in subsection (4) -
 - (i) by repealing "多數票" and substituting "渦半數票";

- (ii) by repealing "委任" and substituting "委出".".
- 44 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"44. Change of name

Section 10(1) is amended -

- (a) by repealing "the Third Schedule" and substituting "Schedule 3";
- (b) in paragraph (a), by repealing
 "多數票" and substituting "過半數票";
- (c) in paragraph (b), by repealing "a
 majority of".".
- 46 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"46. Tenants' representative

Section 15(1) is amended -

- (a) by repealing "by resolution of not less
 than 50% of the votes" and substituting
 "by a resolution passed by a majority of
 the votes";
- (b) by repealing "親自出席或委派代表出席投票" and substituting "由親自投票或委派代表投票".".
- 49 By deleting paragraph (a).

New By adding -

"49A. Insurance policy to be made available by management committee for inspection

Section 28(2) is amended by repealing "副本費" and substituting "複印費".".

New By adding -

"50A. Powers and duties of an administrator

Section 32(2) is amended by repealing "determination" and substituting "termination".".

- 51 By deleting paragraph (a) and substituting -
 - "(a) in subsection (1), by repealing "the Seventh and
 Eighth Schedules" and substituting "Schedules 7 and
 8";".
- 51 By deleting paragraph (b) and substituting -
 - "(b) in subsection (2) -
 - (i) by repealing "the Seventh Schedule" and substituting "Schedule 7";
 - (ii) by repealing "多數票" and substituting "過半數票";".

- 51(c) By deleting subparagraph (ii) and substituting -
 - "(ii) in paragraph (b), by repealing "在業主親自出席或委派 代表出席的按照公契召開及進行的業主大會上以多數票" and substituting "在按照公契召開和進行的業主大會上由親自投票 或委派代表投票的業主以過半數票".".
- 51 By deleting paragraph (d).
- By deleting paragraph (d).
- 60 By adding -
 - "(e) in paragraph 10(2), by repealing "多數票" and substituting "過半數票".".
- 61 By deleting the clause and substituting -
 - "61. Meetings and procedure of corporation

The Third Schedule is amended, in paragraph 5(1) -

- (a) in sub-subparagraph (a), by repealing

 "全部業主的20%的人數" and substituting

 "業主人數的20%";
- (b) in sub-subparagraph (b), by repealing "全部業主的10%的人數" and substituting

"業主人數的10%".".

- By deleting paragraph (c) and substituting -
 - "(c) in paragraph 7(5A)(b) -
 - (i) by adding "in aggregate" after "the shares" where it twice appears;
 - (ii) by repealing "不少於50%份數" and substituting "份數不少於50%".".
- 65 By deleting the clause and substituting -
 - "65. Terms added if consistent with deed of mutual covenant

The Eighth Schedule is amended, in paragraph 11A(b), by adding "in aggregate" after "the shares".".

66 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"66. Enumeration of owners

Schedule 11 is amended, in paragraph (b), in column 2 of item 1, by repealing "共有人" and substituting "共同擁有人".".

68 By deleting the clause and substituting -

"68. Forms

The Schedule is amended, in Form 27 -

- (a) by adding "in aggregate" after "the
 shares";
- (b) by repealing "委任" and substituting
 "委出".".