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Paper No. WKCD-560 (These minutes have been cleared by the Chairman)

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Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development

Minutes of forty-second meeting held on Tuesday, 11 March 2008, at 4:30 pm in Conference Room B of the Legislative Council Building

Members present: Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC (Chairman)

Hon James TO Kun-sun (Deputy Chairman)

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Hon Margaret NG

Hon SIN Chung-kai, SBS, JP

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP

Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, GBS, JP Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, SBS, JP Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

Hon LEE Wing-tat

Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing, SBS, JP

Members absent : Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, SBS, S.B.St.J., JP

Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah, SBS, JP

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee, GBS, JP

Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP

Hon CHOY So-yuk, JP

Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming, SBS, JP

Hon CHIM Pui-chung

Clerk in attendance : Ms Anita SIT

Chief Council Secretary (1)4

Staff in attendance : Mr Jimmy MA

Legal Adviser

Ms Pauline NG

Assistant Secretary General 1

Miss Monna LAI

Assistant Legal Adviser 7

Mr WONG Siu-yee

Senior Council Secretary (1)7

Ms Christina SHIU

Legislative Assistant (1)7

I Appointment of specialist adviser

(Paper No. WKCD-526

Paper on "Appointment of specialist adviser to assist the Subcommittee in the study on the financial aspects West of the Kowloon Cultural District project" prepared by the Legislative Council Secretariat)

The Subcommittee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Appendix**).

- 2. The Subcommittee considered the results of the selection exercise at the meeting and recommended that Versitech Limited should be appointed as the specialist adviser to undertake the assignment on the basis of the proposed fees and schedules of deliverables set out in paragraph 3 of Paper No. WKCD-526.
- 3. The Subcommittee agreed to the following arrangements --
 - (a) the expected timing of submission of the specialist adviser's final study report would be mid-May 2008;
 - (b) meetings would be scheduled for members to deliberate the specialist adviser's report;

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- (c) the specialist adviser might be asked to attend meetings of the Subcommittee to assist the Subcommittee in scrutinizing the Administration's funding proposal for implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District project to be submitted to the Public Works Subcommittee and Finance Committee; and
- (d) the expected timing of submission of the Subcommittee's Phase III Report to the House Committee was early June 2008.

II Any other business

4. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 5:05 pm.

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Time marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action required
000000 - 000135	Chairman	Opening remarks	•
000136 - 000612	Assistant Secretary General 1 (ASG1) Chairman	Briefing by Assistant Secretary General 1 on Paper No. WKCD-526 Chairman's enquiry on the timing of submission of the specialist adviser's report ASG1's response that the expected timing was mid-May 2008	
000613 – 000643	Prof Patrick LAU	Prof LAU's declaration of interest that he had previously been involved with Versitech Limited and members of the consultant team were his former colleagues	
000644 – 000744	Dr KWOK Ka-ki	Support for appointment of the specialist adviser and concern on whether the timing of submission of the specialist adviser's report could assist Members in considering the funding proposal for the WKCD project	
000745 - 000843	ASG1	Explanation on the timing of submission of the specialist adviser's report and the Administration's intended timing for submitting the relevant funding proposal	
000844 - 001808	Ms Emily LAU ASG1 Chairman	Enquiry on the criteria for assessing the two proposals received and whether the specialist adviser would be available to attend meetings to assist the Subcommittee to scrutinize the Administration's funding proposal to be submitted to the Public Works Subcommittee (PWSC) and the Finance Committee (FC)	

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		ASG1's explanation on the arrangements and fees for the specialist adviser to attend meetings Chairman's explanation on the criteria for assessing the two proposals	
001809 - 002528	Mr Abraham SHEK ASG1 Ms Emily LAU Dr KWOK Ka-ki Chairman Legal Adviser	Mr SHEK's view that the specialist adviser's report would be very useful to provide a deeper understanding of the Administration's financial analysis and that an interim report could be submitted before the final report	
		ASG1's advice that the special adviser knew that one of the objectives of the assignment was to assist the Subcommittee to scrutinize the Administration's financial analysis	
		Ms LAU's view and Dr KWOK's view that the specialist adviser should assist the Subcommittee to scrutinize the Administration's funding proposal to be submitted to PWSC and FC	
		Chairman's advice that the duration of the assignment would last for about six months	
		Legal adviser's advice that the Subcommittee would be the client of the assignment; that the current scope of the assignment could cover scrutiny of the Administration's funding proposal; and that extra costs might be incurred if the specialist adviser had to attend meetings of committees other than those of the Subcommittee	
002529 - 002724	Ms Emily LAU ASG1 Chairman	Enquiry on the timing of submission of the Subcommittee's report ASG1's advice that the Subcommittee's report was expected	

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		to be ready by early June 2008 Chairman's advice that the work of the Subcommittee would continue until PWSC and FC had considered the Administration's funding proposal	
002725 - 002845	Chairman ASG1	Chairman's enquiry on the timing for seeking support from the House Committee and approval from the Legislative Council Commission ASG1's explanation on the arrangements	
002846 - 002923	Ms Emily LAU Chairman	Ms LAU's enquiry on whether ASG1 would continue to oversee the work of the Subcommittee in view of her imminent change in posting Chairman's reply in the affirmative	

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