立法會 Legislative Council

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Panel on Economic Services

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday, 12 October 2004, at 10:40 am in Conference Room B of the Legislative Council Building

Members present: Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, GBS, JP (Chairman)

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP (Deputy Chairman)

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, S.B.St.J., JP

Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah, JP Hon CHAN Kam-lam, JP Hon SIN Chung-kai, JP

Hon Howard YOUNG, SBS, JP Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, GBS, JP Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, SBS, JP

Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, SBS, JP

Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS

Hon CHIM Pui-chung Hon KWONG Chi-kin Hon TAM Heung-man

Members absent: Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po, GBS, JP

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP Hon LAU Chin-shek, JP Hon TONG Ka-wah, SC

Clerk in attendance: Mr Andy LAU

Chief Council Secretary (1)2

Staff in attendance: Ms Pauline NG

Assistant Secretary General 1

Ms Debbie YAU

Senior Council Secretary (1)1

Ms Anita SIT

Senior Council Secretary (1)9

Miss Winnie CHENG Legislative Assistant (1)5

Action

I Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

Mr James TIEN, member of the Panel who had the highest precedence among the members present, presided over the election of the Chairman of the Panel and invited nominations for the chairmanship. Mr James TIEN was nominated by Mr Abraham SHEK and the nomination was seconded by Ms Miriam LAU. As Mr James TIEN was nominated for the chairmanship, Ir Dr Raymond HO, the member who had the highest precedence among the members not nominated for the chairmanship, presided over the election of Chairman. Mr TIEN accepted the nomination.

- 2. There being no other nomination, <u>Ir Dr Raymond HO</u> declared that Mr James TIEN was elected Chairman of the Panel for the 2004-2005 session.
- 3. <u>Mr James TIEN</u> took over the chair and called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship. <u>Ir Dr Raymond HO</u> nominated Mr Abraham SHEK and the nomination was seconded by <u>Dr LUI Ming-wah</u>. <u>Mr SHEK</u> accepted the nomination.
- 4. There being no other nomination, the <u>Chairman</u> declared that Mr Abraham SHEK was elected Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2004-2005 session.

II Schedule of meetings for the 2004-2005 session

5. <u>Members</u> agreed that the regular monthly meetings of the Panel for the 2004-2005 session would be held on the fourth Monday of each month at 10:45 am. However, for the meetings in December 2004 and March 2005, <u>members</u> agreed to reschedule the meetings to 16 December 2004 at 4:30 pm and 22 March 2005 at 4:30 pm respectively.

(*Post-meeting note*: With the concurrence of the Chairman, the meeting on 22 March 2005 was subsequently rescheduled to 17 March 2005 at 10:45 am to avoid clashing with other business of the Council)

III Discussion items for next meeting

(LC Paper No. CB(1)42/04-05(01) tabled and subsequently issued to members on 13 October 2004

List of issues suggested to be considered

LC Paper No. CB(1)42/04-05(02) tabled and subsequently issued to members on 13 October 2004

Letter from Hon SIN Chung-kai proposing an item for discussion)

- 6. <u>Members</u> noted that the Administration proposed to discuss the following items at the next Panel meeting to be held on 25 October 2004:
 - (a) Submission of Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited on planned use of natural gas as a feedstock for production of Towngas;
 - (b) Amendment to the Air Transport (Licensing of Air Services) Regulations; and
 - (c) Progress update on Hong Kong Disneyland (HKD); and
- 7. In connection with the discussion of HKD, <u>members</u> agreed that the Administration should take the opportunity to brief members on the impact of HKD on Ocean Park. <u>Mr SIN Chung-kai</u> also suggested that the Panel should follow up on the \$500 million loan approved by the Finance Committee in 1999 for Ocean Park to improve its recreation and education facilities. <u>Members</u> agreed that this should be dealt with at a future meeting.
- 8. In view of wide public concern about the development of the Central Police Station Compound, Mr SIN Chung-kai proposed to discuss the item at the next meeting. A letter from Mr SIN Chung-kai was tabled at the meeting. As the project might be shortly put out for tender, the Chairman asked the Clerk to liaise with the Administration to see whether there was an urgent need for the Administration to brief the Panel on the latest position of project before tendering.

(post-meeting note: At the request of the Administration and with the concurrence of the Chairman, the item on HKD was deferred to a later meeting and the item as proposed by Mr SIN was included in the agenda for the next meeting on 25 October 2004.)

IV Any other business

9. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 10:55 am.

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