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Proposed amendments to motion on "Promoting infrastructure development"

Further to LC Paper No. CB(3) 185/08-09 issued on 27 November 2008, four Members (Dr Hon PAN Pey-chyou, Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming, Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee and Hon LEE Wing-tat) have respectively given notice of their intention to move separate amendments to Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai's motion on "Promoting infrastructure development" scheduled for the Council meeting of 10 December 2008. As directed by the President, the respective proposed amendments will be printed in the terms in which they were handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

- 2. To assist Members in debating the above motion and amendments, I set out below the procedure to be followed during the debate:
 - (a) Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai moves his motion;
 - (b) the President proposes the question on Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai's motion, and orders a joint debate;
 - (c) the President calls on the four Members, who intend to move amendments, to speak in the following order, but no amendment is to be moved at this stage:
 - (i) Dr Hon PAN Pey-chyou;
 - (ii) Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming;

- (iii) Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee; and
- (iv) Hon LEE Wing-tat;
- (d) the President calls upon the designated public officer(s) to speak;
- (e) joint debate on the motion and the amendments follows thereafter;
- (f) the President gives leave to Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai to speak for the second time on the amendments;
- (g) the President calls upon the designated public officer(s) again to speak;
- (h) in accordance with Rule 34(5) of the Rules of Procedure, the President has decided that he will call upon the four Members to move their respective amendments in the order set out in paragraph (c) above. The President invites Dr Hon PAN Pey-chyou to move his amendment to the motion, and forthwith proposes and puts to vote the question on Dr Hon PAN Pey-chyou's amendment;
- (i) after Dr Hon PAN Pey-chyou's amendment has been voted upon, the President deals with the other three amendments; and
- (j) after all amendments have been dealt with, the President calls upon Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai to reply. Thereafter, the President puts to vote the question on Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai's motion, or his motion as amended, as the case may be.
- 3. For Members' ease of reference, the terms of the original motion and of the motion, if amended, are set out in the **Appendix**.

(Mrs Justina LAM) for Clerk to the Legislative Council

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(Translation)

Motion debate on "Promoting infrastructure development" to be held at the Legislative Council meeting of Wednesday, 10 December 2008

1. Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai's original motion

"That the international financial tsunami is sweeping across the world, striking the economies of various places including Hong Kong and the situation is very acute, this Council urges the Government to promote infrastructure development with every effort at this critical moment so as to stabilize the economy, increase employment opportunities, enhance the overall competitiveness of Hong Kong and attain sustainable development; to achieve the above objectives, the Government should expeditiously adopt the following measures:

- (a) expeditiously implementing the 10 major infrastructure projects;
- (b) formulating forward-looking plans as early as possible, and planning future works projects following the 10 major infrastructure projects;
- (c) enhancing cooperation between Hong Kong and the Mainland in planning and commencing cross-border infrastructure projects which are beneficial to both places;
- (d) implementing public participation and ensuring the smooth implementation of infrastructure projects to achieve sustainable development for Hong Kong;
- (e) enhancing coordination among departments to expedite the approval of contracts for small and medium works projects;
- (f) commencing more public works projects through public-private partnership;
- (g) ensuring a stable amount of work through detailed planning, so as to prevent a cyclical imbalance between the supply and demand in the manpower market; and
- (h) strengthening training for young engineers and construction workers."

2. Motion as amended by Dr Hon PAN Pey-chyou

"That *in facing* the international financial tsunami is sweeping across the world, *and* striking the economies *and employment situations* of various places including Hong Kong and the situation is very acute, this Council urges the Government to promote

infrastructure development with every effort at this critical moment so as to stabilize the economy, increase employment opportunities, enhance the overall competitiveness of Hong Kong and attain sustainable development; to achieve the above objectives, the Government should expeditiously adopt the following measures:

- (a) expeditiously implementing the 10 major infrastructure projects, and ensuring that precast concrete units are made locally or drawing on the approach of the Tamar Development Project of not using precast concrete units, so as to absorb more construction workers:
- (b) formulating forward-looking plans as early as possible, and planning future works projects following the 10 major infrastructure projects;
- (c) enhancing cooperation between Hong Kong and the Mainland in planning and commencing cross-border infrastructure projects which are beneficial to both places;
- (d) implementing public participation and ensuring the smooth implementation of infrastructure projects to achieve sustainable development for Hong Kong;
- (e) enhancing coordination among departments to expedite the approval of contracts for small and medium works projects;
- (f) commencing more public works projects through public-private partnership;
- (g) ensuring a stable amount of work through detailed planning, so as to prevent a cyclical imbalance between the supply and demand in the manpower market; and
- (h) strengthening training for young engineers and construction workers."

Note: Dr Hon PAN Pey-chyou's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.

3. Motion as amended by Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming

"That the *once-in-a-century* international financial tsunami is sweeping across the world, striking the economies of various places including Hong Kong and the situation is very acute, this Council urges the Government to promote infrastructure development with every effort at this critical moment so as to stabilize the economy, increase employment opportunities, enhance the overall competitiveness of Hong Kong and attain sustainable development; to achieve the above objectives, the Government should expeditiously adopt the following measures:

(a) expeditiously implementing the 10 major infrastructure projects;

- (b) formulating forward-looking plans as early as possible, and planning future works projects following the 10 major infrastructure projects;
- (c) enhancing cooperation between Hong Kong and the Mainland in planning and commencing cross-border infrastructure projects which are beneficial to both places;
- (d) implementing public participation and ensuring the smooth implementation of infrastructure projects to achieve sustainable development for Hong Kong;
- (e) enhancing coordination among departments, recruiting engineers for District Offices in various districts, and allowing various District Councils to engage their own consultants for the minor works proposed by them, so as to expedite the approval of contracts for small and medium works projects and the progress of such projects;
- (f) commencing more public works projects through public-private partnership;
- (g) ensuring a stable amount of work through detailed planning, so as to prevent a cyclical imbalance between the supply and demand in the manpower market; and
- (h) strengthening training for young engineers and construction workers."

Note: Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming's amendment is marked in **bold and italic type**.

4. Motion as amended by Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

"That the climate crisis has become increasingly acute, and at the same time the international financial tsunami is sweeping across the world, striking the economies of various places including Hong Kong and the situation is very acute, this Council urges the Government to respond to the United Nations' call for 'Green New Deal' and promote infrastructure development with every effort at this critical moment so as to improve the environment, stabilize the economy, increase employment opportunities, enhance the overall competitiveness of Hong Kong and attain sustainable development; to achieve the above objectives, the Government should expeditiously adopt the following measures:

- (a) expeditiously implementing the 10 major infrastructure projects;
- (b) formulating forward-looking plans as early as possible, and planning future works projects following the 10 major infrastructure projects;

- (c) enhancing cooperation between Hong Kong and the Mainland in planning and commencing cross-border infrastructure projects which are beneficial to both places;
- (d) implementing public participation, *stepping up the work of environmental impact assessment* and ensuring the smooth implementation of infrastructure projects to achieve sustainable development for Hong Kong;
- (e) enhancing for projects involving preservation and environment enhancement, having to enhance coordination among departments to expedite the approval of contracts for small and medium works projects;
- (f) commencing more public works projects through public-private partnership;
- (g) ensuring a stable amount of work through detailed planning, so as to prevent a cyclical imbalance between the supply and demand in the manpower market; and
- (h) strengthening training for young engineers and construction workers, including educating them on the latest developments in such fields as energy conservation and green construction, so as to meet the latest needs of the community."

Note: Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.

5. Motion as amended by Hon LEE Wing-tat

"That the international financial tsunami which is caused by the sub-prime mortgage problem in the United States is sweeping across the world, striking the economies of various places including Hong Kong and the situation is very acute, this Council urges the Government to promote infrastructure development with every effort at this critical moment so as to stabilize the economy, increase employment opportunities, enhance the overall competitiveness of Hong Kong and attain sustainable development; to achieve the above objectives, the Government should expeditiously adopt the following measures:

- (a) expeditiously implementing the 10 major infrastructure projects;
- (b) formulating forward-looking plans as early as possible, and planning future works projects following the 10 major infrastructure projects;
- (c) enhancing cooperation between Hong Kong and the Mainland in planning and commencing cross-border infrastructure projects which are beneficial to both places;

- (d) in planning the various projects, having to ensure that the projects complement the surrounding districts, avoid doing damage to the nearby natural and ecological environment and community culture, and strive with every effort to conserve relics and monuments as well as historical buildings, so as to strike a balance between conservation and development;
- (e) implementing before commencing the various infrastructure projects, having to make public all information and conduct extensive public consultation, so as to implement public participation and ensuring ensure the smooth implementation of infrastructure projects to achieve sustainable development for Hong Kong;
- (e)(f) enhancing coordination among departments to expedite the approval of contracts for small and medium works projects, particularly those projects for the provision of community facilities such as escalators and lifts for pedestrians, waterfront promenades and cycling tracks; and at the same time, having to streamline the approval procedures of District Councils, so that more community projects can be implemented more expeditiously;
- (f)(g) commencing more public works projects through public-private partnership;
- (g)(h) ensuring a stable amount of work through detailed planning, so as to prevent a cyclical imbalance between the supply and demand in the manpower market; and
- (h)(i) strengthening training for young engineers, architects, planners, surveyors, landscape architects and construction workers; and
- (j) subject to not violating the World Trade Organization Agreement on Government Procurement, adjusting upwards the contract caps for small projects and splitting into smaller projects for open tender."

Note: Hon LEE Wing-tat's amendment is marked in **bold and italic type** or with deletion line.