

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Implementing the Kai Tak Planning
to dovetail with Kowloon East development”
Moved by Hon WONG Kwok-kin
at the Council meeting of 20 March 2013**

**Motion as amended by Hon Frederick FUNG, Hon CHAN Kam-lam,
Hon Frankie YICK, Hon WU Chi-wai and Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau**

That, given that the Kai Tak New Development Area is currently the largest urban waterfront development project in Hong Kong with a total planning area of more than 320 hectares; Kai Tak in the future will become a new core district in Kowloon and drive the development of the whole Kowloon Peninsula, and the various works projects in the area will be completed one after another starting from this year, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously implement the various planning for the new development area and the ancillary work in nearby communities, including:

- (1) to expeditiously give the public a full account of any plan to revise and adjust the planning for Kai Tak (including proposals relating to increasing the plot ratios and resident population, and whether to build a helipad on the runway, etc.);
- (2) to closely keep in view the problem of big rent hikes in the adjacent areas driven by the Kai Tak development, so as to ensure that small business traders and even workers in the creative and cultural sector in the district can continue their operation to provide residents with inexpensive and quality daily consumer goods amidst the transformation;
- (3) to expeditiously discuss with the relevant District Councils plans for support arrangements after the commissioning of the first berth of the Kai Tak Cruise Terminal in June this year (including traffic and transport arrangements, and on-shore power supply facilities, etc.), so as to avoid impacting and pressuring the nearby communities and the environment after the commissioning of the terminal;
- (4) to ensure that the recreational and sports facilities in the Multi-purpose Sports Complex at Kai Tak are open for public use at all times in the future, so as to resolve the long-standing shortage of public sports facilities in Kowloon;

- (5) to review the overall road transport network of Kowloon, assess whether the traffic capacity of the existing roads in the various communities is adequate to meet the future development and population needs of Kai Tak and the various areas in Kowloon, and expeditiously conduct improvement works in this regard;
- (6) to expeditiously implement the construction of a monorail system to connect Kai Tak, the various areas in Kowloon East and Kowloon City District, and at the same time, study the extension of the system to the mid-levels areas of Kowloon East, so as to better meet the transport needs of residents in these communities;
- (7) to expeditiously construct a general hospital in Kai Tak and expedite the expansion of the United Christian Hospital, so as to meet the medical needs arising from the future population growth and development of Kowloon East and Kowloon City District;
- (8) to perfect the pedestrian linking systems and barrier-free facilities in the old areas of Kowloon East, Kowloon City District and Kai Tak new area, deepen the connection between Kai Tak and adjacent areas, and develop semi-sunken open underground street networks to merge pedestrian flows and add special features to the areas;
- (9) to study and implement the construction of cycle tracks along the coastline of Kowloon East to the waterfront of Kowloon West via the Kai Tak New Development Area and Kowloon City District and linking the adjacent communities, so as to develop an urban cycle track network;
- (10) to integrate the cultural monuments and existing waterways in Kai Tak and the nearby communities, such as linking Nga Tsin Wai Village, Longjin Bridge and Kai Tak River to form an area with historical and ecological values, and develop a special heritage trail embracing environmental protection, historical monuments, local culture and tourism;
- (11) to increase the space for greening and public art in Kai Tak, the various areas in Kowloon East and Kowloon City District, and introduce bazaars with local characteristics (e.g. temple fairs) to attract tourists and create employment opportunities;
- (12) to make use of the site of the former Tai Hom Village and San Po Kong Industrial Area, etc. to develop cultural and creative industries, so as to

develop Kai Tak and the relevant areas into a tourist spot related to Hong Kong movies; and

- (13) to develop featured waterfront areas in Kai Tak, Kowloon East and Kowloon West (including making good use of the vacant land under the flyovers near the Kwun Tong waterfront), so as to develop them into creative spaces, markets and community facilities with local cultural characteristics and styles;
- (14) to construct a bridge connecting Kwun Tong Ferry Pier and the ex-runway tip, with a headroom allowing the passage of all marine working vessels; and
- (15) to construct a new Kowloon harbourfront promenade from Lei Yue Mun to Sham Shui Po, and study the feasibility of constructing a berthing area for yachts at the Kwun Tong Typhoon Shelter and increasing leisure water sports facilities on the condition that the continued provision of enough berthing spaces for various types of marine working vessels will be guaranteed, so as to perfect the planning for Kai Tak;
- (16) to expedite the progress of building the Trade and Industry Tower in Kai Tak, and enable government building clusters to move into Kai Tak expeditiously, so as to drive the economic development of the adjacent areas and create employment;
- (17) to develop waterborne transport, to enable Lei Yue Mun to dovetail with the Kai Tak Cruise Terminal development, and promote the development of local featured tourism projects;
- (18) to expedite the development of the commercial facilities near the cruise terminal and inside the Kai Tak Development Area, and encourage the development of local creative industries and shopping facilities, so as to support local culture and create employment;
- (19) through improving the population planning criteria, to appropriately relax the plot ratios in Kai Tak and increase land supply, so as to construct more subsidized housing;
- (20) to retain the two government factory buildings in Kowloon Bay for promoting the development of creative industries and meeting the needs of persons in the creative industry; and

- (21) to expeditiously implement the expansion of Our Lady of Maryknoll Hospital; and
- (22) to reserve sites in Kai Tak for planning the construction of private hospitals, Integrated Community Centres for Mental Wellness, elderly health centres, residential care homes for the elderly and residential care homes for persons with disabilities.