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Panel on Housing

Minutes of meeting
held on Tuesday, 16 October 2012, at 12:00 noon
in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex

Members present : Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH (Chairman)
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, SBS, JP
Hon Vincent FANG Kang, SBS, JP
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP
Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai, SBS, JP
Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP
Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung
Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP
Hon WU Chi-wai, MH
Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, BBS, MH, JP
Hon Kenneth LEUNG
Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, JP
Hon KWOK Wai-keung
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, BBS, MH, JP
Hon Christopher CHUNG Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP
Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen

- Members absent** : Hon James TO Kun-sun
Hon WONG Yuk-man
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki
- Clerk in attendance** : Ms Miranda HON
Chief Council Secretary (1)1
- Staff in attendance** : Mr Andy LAU
Assistant Secretary General 1
- Mrs Mary TANG
Senior Council Secretary (1)1
- Miss Lilian MOK
Council Secretary (1)1
- Ms Alice CHEUNG
Senior Legislative Assistant (1)1
- Miss Queenie LAM
Senior Legislative Assistant (1)2
- Miss Mandy POON
Legislative Assistant (1)1

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I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

Election of Chairman

Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung, the member who had the highest precedence amongst members present at the meeting, presided over the election of Chairman of the Panel for the 2012-2013 session.

2. Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung invited nominations for the chairmanship of the Panel. Mr WONG Kwok-hing was nominated by Miss Alice MAK and the nomination was seconded by Mr IP Kwok-him. Mr WONG Kwok-hing accepted the nomination.

3. There being no other nominations, Mr WONG Kwok-hing was declared Chairman of the Panel for the 2012-2013 session.

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Election of Deputy Chairman

4. Mr WONG Kwok-hing took the chair and invited nominations for the deputy chairmanship. Mr Frederick FUNG was nominated by Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung and the nomination was seconded by Dr Joseph LEE. Mr Frederick FUNG accepted the nomination. There being no other nominations, Mr Frederick FUNG was declared Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2012-2013 session.

II. Schedule of meetings for the 2012-2013 session

5. Members noted the proposed schedule of regular meetings of the Panel for the 2012-2013 session, which was tabled at the meeting.

6. Members agreed that all meetings of the Panel would be held on the first Monday of each month at 2:30 pm, except for the following –

- (a) the meeting in April 2013 would be held on Monday, 15 April 2013, at 8:30 am; and
- (b) the meeting in July 2013 would be held on Tuesday, 2 July 2013, at 4:30 pm.

(Post-meeting note: The meeting schedule for the 2012-2013 session was circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)38/12-13 on 17 October 2012.)

III. Items for discussion at next meeting

7. Members noted the Administration's proposal to brief members on the short to medium term housing and land supply measures announced by the Chief Executive on 30 August 2012 at a joint meeting with the Panel on Development on Monday, 5 November 2012 from 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm, to be followed by the regular meeting of the Panel on Housing in the same afternoon.

8. Mr Abraham SHEK said that at an earlier meeting of the Panel on Development, some members had requested that more time should be devoted to discussing the subject, or alternatively, separate meetings should be held by the two Panels. He suggested that the Chairmen of the Panel on

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Housing and the Panel on Development should work out an acceptable arrangement.

9. Dr Fernando CHEUNG shared the view that more time should be allowed for discussing this important subject. He also urged the Administration to provide information papers for members' reference early. He pointed out that the Administration should respect members by providing relevant information to members first before briefing the media on important matters, instead of the other way round as in some past cases. He said that it might be necessary for the Chairmen of the two Panels to take up the matter with the Chairman of the House Committee. The Chairman undertook to liaise with the Chairman of the Panel on Development on the arrangements for the joint meeting.

(Post-meeting note: With the concurrence of the Chairman, the next regular meeting of the Panel would be held on Monday, 5 November 2012 from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm to discuss the following items -

- (a) Extending the Home Ownership Scheme secondary market to white form buyers; and
- (b) Long Term Housing Strategy.

As for the joint meeting with the Panel on Development to discuss the "Short to medium term housing and land supply measures announced by the Chief Executive on 30 August 2012", it was agreed that a three-hour meeting would be held on Friday, 9 November 2012 at 9:30 am to discuss the subject.)

10. Referring to the "List of issues suggested to be considered" tabled at the meeting, members agreed to include the following additional items to the list for future discussion by the Panel -

- (a) Measures to deal with subdivided flats - Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung, Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung and Dr Fernando CHEUNG were concerned about the problems associated with subdivided flats in private developments, industrial buildings as well as shopping arcade. They considered that measures should be worked out to tackle the situation; and
- (b) Overcrowding relief in public rental housing - Mr Christopher CHUNG requested the Administration to conduct a review on

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the policy on overcrowding relief in public rental housing to ensure equity in allocation standards.

IV. Any other business

11. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 12:15 pm.

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