ITEM FOR PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

HEAD 707 - NEW TOWNS AND URBAN AREA DEVELOPMENT New Territories East Development Civil Engineering - Land development 164CL - Tseung Kwan O development, engineering works in Siu Chik Sha, stage 2 - remainder

Members are invited to recommend to Finance Committee the upgrading of **164CL**, retitled "Public transport interchanges in Area 86, Tseung Kwan O", to Category A at an estimated cost of \$89.6 million in money-of-the-day prices.

PROBLEM

We need to provide two public transport interchanges (PTIs) to serve the comprehensive development in Area 86, Tseung Kwan O (TKO).

PROPOSAL

2. The Director of Territory Development, with the support of the Secretary for Planning and Lands and Secretary for Transport, proposes to upgrade **164CL** to Category A at an estimated cost of \$89.6 million in money-of-the-day (MOD) prices for the design and construction of two PTIs in Area 86, TKO.

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PROJECT SCOPE AND NATURE

3. The original project scope of **164CL** covers engineering works in Siu Chik Sha, TKO. We have upgraded the major parts of **164CL** to Category A (see paragraphs 17 - 19 below). The remaining scope of **164CL** that we now propose to upgrade to Category A comprises the design and construction of a main PTI with 8 bays and a secondary PTI with 6 bays in Area 86, TKO.

JUSTIFICATION

- 4. In February 1999, the Chief Executive in Council approved the amendments to the draft TKO Outline Zoning Plan. Area 86 of TKO was rezoned from industrial use to comprehensive development. The rezoning is intended to facilitate comprehensive development in Area 86 including a Mass Transit Railway Corporation (MTRC) depot and station, associated property development and supporting community facilities. The MTRC has undertaken to develop Area 86 in conjunction with the MTRC depot and station of the TKO Extension Line. In April 1999, the Town Planning Board approved the MTRC's Master Layout Plan for the comprehensive development in Area 86 with land earmarked for the two proposed PTIs. The MTRC plans to develop Area 86 in phases to accommodate about 21 500 housing flats for a population of about 57 600 people with the first population intake of 2 900 by 2004, rising to 11 500 by 2006 and full population intake by 2013.
- 5. To meet the demand for public transport interchange facilities arising from the proposed comprehensive development in Area 86, we need to construct the proposed PTIs to provide sufficient terminal interchange facilities for buses and green minibuses, and loading/unloading facilities for taxis and general vehicles. The PTIs will serve as major transit points for commuters from/to nearby areas of TKO who wish to change from/to road-based transport to/from railway. We will construct the PTIs at ground level beneath the MTRC's proposed comprehensive development.
- 6. To cater for the demand from the initial phase of the development, the construction of the secondary PTI will commence in early 2001 for completion in end-2003. However, the construction of the main PTI will only start in early 2008 for completion in end-2010 to facilitate the comprehensive development above the main PTI. As the MTR station in Area 86 will come into operation in late 2004, the MTRC will construct a temporary PTI adjacent to the main PTI at its own cost for interim use from 2005 to 2010.

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7. To avoid interface problems and to ensure timely completion of the proposed PTIs, we will entrust design and construction of the PTIs to the MTRC as part of the land grant conditions for the comprehensive development in Area 86. The Director of Lands will execute the land grant of the site to the MTRC in April 2000. Since it is the Government policy to confirm the necessary funding before entering into any entrustment arrangement through the land grant, we would require funding approval for the two PTIs now.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8. We estimate the capital cost of the project to be \$89.6 million in MOD prices (see paragraph 9 below), made up as follows -

		\$ million	\$ million			
(a)	Construction of a main PTI	30.4				
(b)	Construction of a secondary PTI	14.3				
(c)	Entrustment cost ¹	7.4				
	(i) main PTI	5.0				
	(ii) secondary PTI	2.4				
(d)	Contingencies	5.2				
	Sub-total	57.3	(at December 1998 prices)			
(e)	Provision for price adjustment	32.3				
	Total	89.6	(in MOD prices)			

Entrustment cost represents the MTRC's agreed on-cost (16.5% of the construction cost of \$44.7 million) for planning, design and supervision, and insurance costs.

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9. Subject to approval, we will phase the expenditure as follows -

Year		\$ million (Dec 1998)		Price adjustment factor	\$ million (MOD)		
2003 - 2004				18.3	1.22493		22.4
		Secondary PTI					
	(a)	construction cost	14.3			17.5	
	(b)	entrustment cost	2.4			2.9	
	(c)	contingencies	1.6			2.0	
2010 - 2011				39.0	1.72359		67.2
		Main PTI					
	(d)	construction cost	30.4			52.4	
	(e)	entrustment cost	5.0			8.6	
	(f)	contingencies	3.6			6.2	
				57.3			89.6

10. We will stipulate the requirement for the MTRC to provide the two proposed PTIs at a ceiling cost of \$81.4 million² in the conditions of land grant to the MTRC for the comprehensive development in Area 86. The Government will

^{\$81.4} million is the current estimate of the works in MOD prices under paragraphs 9(a), 9(b), 9(d) and 9(e) above. It is calculated on the basis of the current cost to the Government of building two PTIs on a green-field site. In this calculation, we exclude the cost of the basement, building foundation under the PTI and the building structures on top of it, but include developer's on-cost for design, supervision and associated costs. The MTRC will be paid the actual cost of construction or the ceiling cost, whichever is the lower.

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only reimburse the MTRC the actual costs upon completion of the works in end-2003 and end-2010. The MTRC will bear any additional cost above the ceiling figure for those works which are clearly stated in the conditions of land grant. We have allowed a contingency sum of \$8.2 million in MOD prices to cover any unforeseen works which we may later find necessary for completion of the project. Based on previous cases, provisions for contingencies have been deployed for purposes like minor adjustment to the layout of PTIs, installation of additional Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Systems and lightings, etc.

11. We estimate the annually recurrent expenditure to be \$6.59 million.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

12. We consulted the Traffic and Transport Committee of the Sai Kung Provisional District Board on the proposed PTIs by circulation in July 1999. The Committee endorsed the proposal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

- 13. We completed the Preliminary Environmental Review in August 1999 which sets out the mitigation measures necessary for the construction and operation of the project. With mitigation measures in place such as air ventilation, silencing measures for noise control, and gas detection and monitoring, the project would not have long term environmental impacts. The MTRC will finalize the details of the mitigation measures as part of the design process. The MTRC will also provide adequate ventilation in the PTIs to comply with established standards and guidelines. For short term impacts, the MTRC will prevent environmental problems, including potential landfill gas and leachate migration, during construction through implementation of mitigation measures in the works contracts. These measures include frequent cleaning and watering of the site, wheel washing facilities, acoustic lining or shields, gas detection and monitoring and other procedures as recommended in Environmental Protection Department's Recommended Pollution Control Clauses. We will ensure that such standards and guidelines are enforced.
- 14. We estimate the amount of construction and demolition material

(C&DM) generated from the project and to be disposed of off-site is in the order of 5 000 cubic metres. We shall require the MTRC to implement necessary measures to minimise the generation of C&DM and to reuse and recycle C&DM. We shall record the disposal, reuse and recycling of C&DM for monitoring purpose.

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LAND ACQUISITION

15. The project does not require any land acquisition.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 16. We upgraded **164CL** to Category AB (now Category B) in November 1981 for the engineering works in Siu Chik Sha.
- 17. In February 1991, Finance Committee (FC) approved the upgrading of part of **164CL** to Category A, as **372CL** "Tseung Kwan O development, engineering works in Siu Chik Sha, stage I", at an estimated cost of \$300 million. We started the works in August 1991 and completed them in November 1995.
- 18. In January 1994, FC approved the upgrading of another part of **164CL** to Category A, as **427CL** "Tseung Kwan O development, engineering works in Siu Chik Sha, stage IIA", at an estimated cost of \$430 million. We started the works in September 1994 and completed them in March 1997.
- 19. In May 1999, FC approved the upgrading of a further part of **164CL** to Category A, as **654CL** "Box culvert at Wan Po Road and Road D9, Tseung Kwan O", at an estimated cost of \$64.1 million. We started the works in October 1999 for completion in November 2000.
- We plan to execute the land grant of the site at Area 86, TKO to the MTRC in April 2000 and entrust the design and construction of the proposed PTIs to the MTRC so that construction works will start in early 2001 in stages for completion by end-2010. The MTRC will hand over the PTIs to the Government upon completion.

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