

Harbourfront Commission

For discussion
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Progress Report from Task Force on Harbourfront Developments on Hong Kong Island

REPORTING PERIOD

This progress report covers the period from May to June 2017.

MEETING(S) HELD AND THE MAJOR OUTCOME, FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Twenty Seventh Meeting – 29 May 2017

2. The Task Force discussed the following issues/items -
 - (a) **Proposed Boardwalk underneath the Island Eastern Corridor**
 - The Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) presented the revised scheme for the proposed boardwalk underneath the Island Eastern Corridor (IEC) to Members. Under the revised scheme, both eastern and western sections of the boardwalk scheme are placed under the IEC as far as technically feasible, and the boardwalk would embrace the columns of the IEC at the Eastern section in order to utilize the space underneath IEC. Majority of the boardwalk maintains a clear width of 7.5m and would largely be placed underneath the IEC footprint.
 - Members were supportive of the revised scheme. Some Members requested to minimize the change in elevation of the boardwalk by sharing the use of the North Point Fire Services Department (FSD) Pier. Some Members suggested that the rationale behind the revised scheme should be provided to the public during the upcoming public consultation. Further comments on additional connections and the design of the boardwalk had also been raised. FSD and CEDD were invited to consider Members' comments.
 - Members noted and agreed that CEDD would conduct a 2-month public consultation to collect public views on the

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revised scheme in 2017 Q3/Q4. HC would appreciate playing a larger role in assisting the Government to explain the revised scheme to the public.

(b) Urban Design Study for the Wan Chai North and North Point Harbourfront Areas – Proposed Major Refinements to the Harbourfront Enhancement Proposals

- The Planning Department (PlanD) briefed Members on the proposed major refinements to the Harbourfront Enhancement Proposals (HEPs) of the Urban Design Study for the Wan Chai North and North Point Harbourfront Areas (UDS).
- Members offered further comments on wave attenuation measures; water quality and water traffic in the Water Sports and Recreation Precinct; marine uses in the Revitalized Typhoon Shelter Precinct; connection to the IEC Boardwalk; and PHO implications of the proposed cantilevered boardwalk scheme. PlanD was asked to take on board Members' comments when finalizing the HEPs and provide Members with the timeline of implementing the final recommendations.

(c) Proposed Setback of the Eastern Street North Parking Site from Seawall for Provision of Public Open Space Connecting the Fung Mat Road Waterfront Site and Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park

(d) Open Space Development at Fung Mat Road Waterfront Site

- The Central and Western District Office (C&WDO), the Transport Department (TD), the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) and the Lands Department (LandsD) consulted Members on the proposed setting back of the Eastern Street North parking site from the seawall to provide continuous promenade along the waterfront for public enjoyment connecting the adjacent Fung Mat Road waterfront site and the waterfront area of the Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park. C&WDO also briefed Members on the scope of works and design of the Open Space Development at Fung Mat Road Waterfront Site.

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- Members in general welcomed the setting back of the subject parking site and agreed to the related Short Term Tenancy (STT) for public fee-paying carpark until end 2018. C&WDO was asked to consult the Task Force again should there be any further extension of the STT. Comments on the design of the fence surrounding the parking space for Liquefied Petroleum Gas cylinder wagons (LPG CWs) were also raised. Relevant departments were asked to take on board Members' view to take forward the proposal.

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