

Progress Report from
Sub-committee on Harbour Plan Review
of Harbour-front Enhancement Committee (HEC)

Reporting Period

This progress report covers the period from October to December 2007.

Meeting(s) held and the Major Outcome, Findings and Recommendations

19th Sub-committee Meeting – 28 November 2007

2. The Sub-committee discussed the following items -

(a) Membership, Terms of Reference (TOR) and Meeting Schedule of the Sub-committee

Subsequent to the election of Chairman, the Sub-committee confirmed its membership and agreed to revise the TOR for the current term of the Sub-committee to better reflect its scope of work. The membership and revised TOR are attached to Paper No. 22/2007 for endorsement by HEC.

The Sub-committee would meet regularly on a bi-monthly basis. A meeting schedule was agreed at the meeting.

(b) Report on Progress of On-going Tasks of the Sub-committee

Members were briefed on the progress of various on-going tasks of the Sub-committee -

- ✧ The Harbour Planning Guidelines (HPGs) endorsed by HEC in June 2007 had been promulgated and uploaded onto the HEC website. A printed version of the HPGs was distributed to HEC Members, relevant stakeholders and public libraries for reference in September 2007.

- ✧ The Sub-committee would continue to provide input to the Hung Hom District Study, which was carried out as part of the Harbour Plan Review, and monitor major harbour-front development proposals through regular updating of the “Inventory of Known Projects at Harbour-front”.
- ✧ An electronic database of harbour-related information, known as “Harbour e-Info”, had been compiled and uploaded onto the HEC website. The database would be updated on a quarterly basis.

(c) Signage at the Rooftop of the Citic Tower

The project proponent, DEFI Group Asia Ltd., briefed the Sub-committee on the proposal of erecting a signage at the rooftop of the Citic Tower. The Sub-committee provided comments on the design of the proposed signage and some Members raised concern on energy efficiency of the signage. The project proponent would take account of Members’ comments in refining the design of the proposed signage. Lands Department would also take into consideration the Sub-committee’s views in processing modification of the relevant lease condition to facilitate erection of the proposed signage.

(d) Proposed Temporary Land Allocation for Outdoor Theatre Performances "Zingaro-Battuta" (星躍馬術奇藝坊) at the Reclamation Site next to Hung Hom Ferry Pier

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) and the Hong Kong Arts Festival Society jointly presented the project to the Sub-committee. The project was a lead up event to arouse public interest in the Olympic Equestrian Events to be held in 2008 summer. The subject site would be allocated to the LCSD on a temporary basis for setting up an outdoor theatre for the Zingaro equestrian performances to be held in February/March 2008.

The Sub-committee noted that it was a world class event which would bring vibrancy to the Hung Hom waterfront. Specific aspects on traffic, noise, sewerage, solid waste treatment, glare and other environmental impacts, site selection, scale of the proposed use, and public engagement were discussed at the meeting.

(e) Hung Hom District Study – Report on Stage 2 Public Engagement Programme

The Sub-committee was briefed on the progress of the Hung Hom District Study and the outcome of the Stage 2 Public Engagement Programme, which was undertaken from late August to October 2007. Public views received were generally in support of the draft District Plan proposals in improving connectivity of the Study Area, enhancing the public realm and streetscape, controlling development intensity and relocating incompatible land uses. Members noted that there were suggestions on further reduction of the development intensity and building height of the “Comprehensive Development Area” and “Residential (Group A) 2” sites in Hung Luen Road. There was also a strong local sentiment against the relocation of the basketball court and introduction of small-scale café type retail use at Tai Wan Shan Park. Comments and suggestions received were being considered by the Study Consultants for revising the District Plan proposals as appropriate. The Study was expected to complete in early 2008.

**Secretariat, HEC Sub-committee on Harbour Plan Review
December 2007**

**Progress Report from
Task Group on Urban Design Study
for the New Central Harbourfront (TGUDS)
of Harbour-front Enhancement Committee (HEC)**

Reporting Period

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Meeting(s) held and the Major Outcome, Findings and Recommendations

1st Task Group Meeting – 6 December 2007

2. The Task Group discussed the following items -

(a) Membership, terms of reference (TOR) and meeting schedule

The Task Group discussed and agreed to submit the membership and TOR attached to Paper No. 22/2007 to HEC for endorsement.

Task Group meetings would be held on a bi-monthly basis. Working meetings may also be arranged on a need basis.

(b) Study Progress and Work Plan for the Stage 2 Public Engagement

The Task Group noted the progress of the Urban Design Study for the New Central Harbourfront and commented on the proposed work plan for the Stage 2 Public Engagement. The Task Group requested the study team to brief the Task Group on the findings of the Stage 1 Public Engagement, and how the study proposals would take into consideration the findings of the Stage 1 Public Engagement. The Task Group noted that the study consultant was also reviewing the submissions of the four finalists in the

International Urban Planning and Design Competition for the new Central harbourfront and requested the study consultant to report on the useful ideas for input to the Study.

**Secretariat, HEC TGUDS
December 2007**

**Progress Report from
Task Group on Management Model for the Harbourfront (TGMMH)
of Harbour-front Enhancement Committee (HEC)**

Reporting Period

This progress report covers the period from October to December 2007.

Meeting(s) held and the Major Outcome, Findings and Recommendations

1st Task Group Meeting – 5 December 2007

2. The Task Group discussed the following items -

(a) Membership and terms of reference (TOR)

The Task Group agreed to submit the membership and TOR attached to Paper No. 22/2007 to HEC for endorsement.

(b) 2008-09 work plan

The Task Group discussed and agreed to formulate, inter alia, its recommendation on a practicable proposal for a sustainable framework to manage the harbourfront area to the HEC before expiry of the latter's term on 31 August 2009.

(c) Meeting schedule

Task Group meetings would be held on a bi-monthly basis. The Secretariat would propose a meeting schedule for endorsement of the Task Group as soon as practicable.