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 November to December 2008.

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

6th Task Group Meeting – 3 December 2008

2. The Task Group discussed the following items -

(a) Report on TGMMH overseas visit to Liverpool and London

Mr Vincent Ng, Prof Carlos Lo, Dr Sujata Govada and representatives from Development Bureau (DEVB) and Transport Development visited Liverpool and London on 2-7 November 2008. Prof Lo and Dr Govada presented a report on the visit. Members generally considered the experience valuable and emphasized the importance of leadership and public participation in formulating a management model for the Hong Kong harbourfront.

(b) Experience sharing on Dubai Waterfront Conference - management of the harbourfront

Mr Patrick Lau, who attended and spoke in his personal capacity at the Dubai Waterfront Conference (16-18 November 2008), was invited to share his experience with TGMMH. Mr Lau agreed to circulate a summary

of the cases he had collected at the Dubai Conference with the assistance of the TGMMH Secretariat.

(c) 'Design and Tender' Model of Peak Galleria

DEVB presented a paper on the subject to Members with the view that the Model could serve as reference in formulating a management model. Members noted though the Model could not be a solution for the entire harbourfront, it could be a mode to manage certain part(s) of the harbourfront in future.

(d) Other TGMMH overseas visits

With the experience of the TGMMH visit to Liverpool and London, Members agreed to conduct a visit to Singapore and Sydney in February 2009, i.e., after the Lunar New Year. The Secretariat would further consult Members on the exact dates and length of the trip, as well as organizations and places to visit.

(e) Issues raised by Mr Paul Zimmerman on 11 August 2008

Per the decision made at the HEC meeting on 18 August 2008, TGMMH was to follow up with Items 7(b) and 8(a)-(f). Some of the Items were discussed at the meeting. TGMMH would discuss the outstanding issues in due course.

(f) Next meeting

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for February 2009.

Secretariat, HEC TGMMH December 2008