

APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF PLAN
UNDER SECTION 12A OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. Y/K22/4
(for 2nd Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	:	Designing Hong Kong Limited
<u>Sites</u>	:	Four pieces of Government Land at the waterfront of Kai Tak Development
<u>Total Site Area</u>	:	4,600 m ² (about)
<u>Land Status</u>	:	Government Land
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Kai Tak Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/K22/6
<u>Zonings</u>	:	“Open Space” (“O”) and “O(2)”
<u>Proposed Amendment</u>	:	To rezone the application sites from “O” and “O(2)” to four sub-areas of “Other Specified Uses” annotated “Waterfront Related Commercial, Recreational and Leisure Uses” zone

1. Background

- 1.1 On 28.10.2019, the applicant submitted an application for rezoning four pieces of government land at the waterfront of Kai Tak Development (Sites 1 to 4 on **Plan Z-1**) from “O” and “O(2)” to four sub-areas of a proposed “Other Specified Uses” annotated “Waterfront Related Commercial, Recreational and Leisure Uses” zone to facilitate the development of one building at each location for mainly water sports related facilities, eating place and observation deck uses.
- 1.2 On 17.1.2020, the the Metro Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) agreed to defer making a decision on the application for two months as requested by the applicant to allow more time for preparation of responses to departmental comments. The applicant submitted further information (FI) on 16.3.2020. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 22.5.2020, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to further defer making a decision on the application for two months so as to allow more time for preparation of responses to departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The application has been deferred once for two months at the request of the applicant to allow more time to address the departmental comments. Since the last deferment, the applicant has submitted FI to respond to the departmental comments. The applicant needs more time to resolve further comments from government departments on the FI.
- 3.2 The Planning Department has no objection to the request for deferment as the justification for deferment meets the criteria for deferment as set out in the Town Planning Board Guidelines on Deferment of Decision on Representations, Comments, Further Representations and Applications made under the Town Planning Ordinance (TPB PG-No. 33) in that the applicant needs more time to respond to the comments of relevant departments, the deferment period is not indefinite and the deferment would not affect the interest of other relevant parties.
- 3.3 Should the Committee agree to defer a decision on the application, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration within three months upon receipt of further submission from the applicant. If the FI submitted by the applicant is not substantial and can be processed within a shorter time, the application could be submitted to an earlier meeting for the Committee's consideration. Since it is the second deferment of the application, the applicant should be advised that the Committee has allowed a total of four months for preparation of submission of FI, and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances.

4. Decision Sought

The Committee is invited to consider whether or not to accede to the applicant's request for deferment. If the request is not acceded to, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

Attachments

Appendix I	Email dated 22.5.2020 from the applicant
Plan Z-1	Location Plan

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT
JUNE 2020**