MPC Paper No. A/K16/43 for Consideration by the Metro Planning Committee on 5.2.2021

# <u>APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION</u> <u>UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE</u>

#### APPLICATION NO. A/K16/43 (for 1<sup>st</sup> Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	:	LCK Real Estate Limited
<u>Site</u>	:	5/F and 6/F, Kowloon Motor Bus Headquarters, 9 Po Lun Street, Lai Chi Kok
<u>Floor Area</u> of Premises	:	About 1,796.44m <sup>2</sup>
Lease	:	New Kowloon Marine Lot No. 3 RP
		Virtually unrestricted except for offensive trades
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Lai Chi Kok Outline Zoning Plan No. S/K16/16
<b>Zoning</b>	:	"Comprehensive Development Area" ("CDA")
<u>Application</u>	:	Eating Place, Office, Shop and Services, and Place of Recreation, Sports or Culture

# 1. <u>Background</u>

On 22.12.2020, an application for eating place, office, shop and services, and place of recreation, sports or culture at the application premises was received by the Town Planning Board (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Metro Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Board on 5.2.2021.

# 2. <u>Request for Deferment</u>

On 27.1.2021, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Board requesting the Board to defer making a decision on the application for a period of two months so as to allow time for preparation of further information to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

# 3. <u>Planning Department's Views</u>

- 3.1 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> to the request for deferment as the justifications provided meet 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 prepare further information to address departmental comments, the deferment period is not indefinite and the deferment would not affect the interests of other relevant parties.
- 3.2 Should the Committee agree to defer making a decision on the application, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration within two months upon receipt of further submission from the applicant. If the further information submitted by the applicant is not substantial and could be processed within a shorter time, the application could be submitted to an earlier meeting for the Committee's consideration. The applicant should be advised that the Committee has allowed two months for preparation of submission of further information, 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.

#### 5. <u>Attachments</u>

Appendix I Email dated 27.1.2021 from the applicant

Plan A-1Location plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT FEBRUARY 2021