MPC Paper No. A/H19/81 For Consideration by the Metro Planning Committee on 11.6.2021

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/H19/81 (1st Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	STT Limited represented by AECOM Asia Co. Ltd.
<u>Site</u>	Two strips of government land (GL) adjacent to RBL 1158, Chung Hom Kok
<u>Site Area</u>	About 178m ²
<u>Lease</u>	GL
<u>Plan</u>	Approved Stanley Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/H19/14 (currently in force)
	Draft Stanley OZP No. S/H19/13 (at the time of submission)
Zoning	"Coastal Protection Area" ("CPA")
Application	Proposed Public Utility Installation (Submarine Cable Landing Ducts and Beach Manholes Only)

1. <u>Background</u>

On 16.4.2021, the Town Planning Board (the Board) received an application seeking planning permission for proposed public utility installation (submarine cable landing ducts and beach manholes only) at two strips of GL adjacent to RBL 1158, Chung Hom Kok (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Metro Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Board at this meeting.

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

On 21.5.2021, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board requesting the Committee to defer making a decision on the application for two months in order to allow time for preparation of additional supporting information to address departmental and public 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 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 address relevant government department's 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 information (FI) from the applicant. If 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. The applicant should be advised that the Committee has allowed a period of two months for preparation of FI, and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances.

4. <u>Decision Sought</u>

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 for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

5. <u>Attachments</u>

Appendix ILetter of 21.5.2021 from the applicant's representativePlan A-1Location Plan

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