APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/H8/431

(for 1st Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u> Fortune Ferry Company Limited

Premises Shop B, Ground Floor, North Point (East) Ferry Pier, North Point,

Hong Kong

Floor Area About 105.62m²

Land Status Government Land

<u>Plan</u> Approved North Point Outline Zoning Plan No. S/H8/26

Zoning "Other Specified Uses" annotated "Pier" ("OU(Pier)")

Application Proposed Eating Place

1. Background

On 18.2.2021, the Town Planning Board (the Board) received a planning application for a proposed eating place use at the application premises which falls within "OU(Pier)" zone on the approved North Point Outline Zoning Plan No. S/H8/26 (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Metro Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Board at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 26.3.2021, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for a period of two months in order to allow time for the applicant to prepare further information to address the departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

3.1 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> to the request for deferment as the justification for deferment 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 in response to departmental comments, the deferment period is not indefinite and the deferment would not affect the interest of other relevant parties.

3.2 Should the Committee agree to defer 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 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 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. Attachments

Appendix I Email dated 26.3.2021 from the applicant

Plan A-1 Location plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT APRIL 2021