APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/NE-MKT/33

(for 2nd Deferment)

Applicant : GD Management Limited

Site : Lots 665 S.A (Part), 666 S.A (Part), 667, 669 S.B RP and 685 in D.D. 90 and

Adjoining Government Land (GL), Lin Ma Hang Road, Man Kam To, New

Territories

Site Area : About 4,364m² (Includes GL of about 555m², or about 12.7% of the Site)

<u>Lease</u>: Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use) (about 87.3% of the Site)

Plan : Approved Man Kam To Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-MKT/4

Zoning : "Agriculture"

Application: Proposed Temporary Public Vehicle Park (Excluding Container Vehicle) with

Ancillary Electric Vehicle Charging Facility for a Period of Three Years and

Associated Filling of Land

1. Background

- 1.1 On 26.1.2024, the applicant sought planning permission for a proposed temporary public vehicle park (excluding container vehicle) with ancillary electric vehicle charging facility for a period of three years and associated filling of land at the application site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 15.3.2024, the Rural and New Town 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 time to prepare further information (FI) to address departmental comments.
- 1.3 On 25.3.2024 and 30.4.2024, the applicant submitted FIs to address departmental comments. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 17.5.2024, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for two months in order to allow time to address further departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> to the request for the second deferment as the justification for deferment meets the criteria 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. 33B) in that the applicant needs more time to prepare FI to address further 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 a decision on the application, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration within two months upon receipt of FI from the applicant. If the FI 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 a total of four months for preparation of the submission of FI. The second deferment should be the last deferment and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances and supported with strong justifications.

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 to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

5. Attachments

Appendix I Email dated 17.5.2024 from the applicant

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JUNE 2024