RNTPC Paper No. A/YL-KTS/957A For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 14.7.2023

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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(for 2nd Deferment)

Applicant: Dragon Earner Limited

Site : Lots 401 (Part), 404 (Part), 405 RP (Part), 406 RP, 408 RP (Part),

409 and 410 (Part) in D.D. 106, Pat Heung, Yuen Long, New

Territories

Site Area : About 1,486 m²

<u>Lease</u> : Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

Plan : Approved Kam Tin South Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-

KTS/15

Zoning : "Other Specified Uses" annotated "Rural Use" ("OU(RU)")

[Maximum plot ratio of 0.4 and maximum building height of 3

storeys (9m)]

Application : Temporary Open Storage of Freezer Vehicles, Air-conditioned

Compartments and Spare Parts of Cooling Machinery Components for Vehicles for Sale, and Installation and Maintenance Workshop

for Freezer Vehicles for a Period of 3 Years

1. Background

- 1.1 On 8.3.2023, the applicant submitted the current application to seek planning permission to use the application site for temporary open storage of freezer vehicles, air-conditioned compartments and spare parts of cooling machinery components for vehicles for sale, and installation and maintenance workshop for freezer vehicles for a period of 3 years (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 5.5.2023, the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) agreed to defer a decision on the application, as requested by the applicant, for two months to allow time for the applicant to prepare further information to address departmental comments.
- 1.3 On 19.5.2023, the applicant submitted further information to address departmental comments. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 3.7.2023, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Town Planning Board (the Board) and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for two months to allow more time to prepare further information to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department has <u>no objection</u> to the request for the second deferment as the justifications 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. 33A) in that the applicant needs more time to prepare further information to address departmental comments.
- 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 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 submission of further information. 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. 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 for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

5. Attachments

Appendix I Letter from the applicant dated 3.7.2023

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JULY 2023