RNTPC Paper No. A/YL-SK/349A For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 10.11.2023

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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(for 2nd Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u> Sino Express Intelligence Co. Limited represented by Mr. PANG Hing-yeun

Site Lot 631 RP in D.D. 112, Shui Lau Tin, Shek Kong, Yuen Long, New

Territories

Site Area About 1,325m²

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

<u>Plan</u> Approved Shek Kong Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-SK/9

Zoning "Agriculture" ("AGR")

Application Proposed Temporary Public Vehicle Park with Electric Charging Device for a

Period of 3 Years and Filling of Land

1 Background

- 1.1 On 5.7.2023, the applicant submitted the application to seek planning permission for proposed temporary public vehicle park with electric charging device for a period of 3 years and filling of land at the application site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 25.8.2023, 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, for the applicant to prepare further information to address departmental comments.
- 1.3 On 11.9.2023, 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 26.10.2023, 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 one month so as to allow time for preparation of further information in response to departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

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3 Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department has no objection 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 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 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 can be processed within a shorter time, the application could be submitted to an earlier meeting for Committee's consideration. The applicant should be advised that the Committee has allowed a total of three 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 <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 from the applicant dated 26.10.2023

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT NOVEMBER 2023