

Other Technical Comments from Government Departments

Comments of the Chief Building Surveyor/Kowloon, Buildings Department:

- (a) No part of the building, up to a level of 15m above the street level, shall be within 7.5m from the centreline of the street. Practice Notes for Authorized Persons, Registered Structural Engineers and Registered Geotechnical Engineers (PNAP) No. APP-151 and APP-152 refers.
- (b) Natural lighting and ventilation to rooms for office and kitchen should be provided in accordance with Building (Planning) Regulation (B(P)R) sections 30, 31 and 32.
- (c) Access and facilities for persons with a disability including accessible toilet should be provided to the premises in accordance with B(P)R 72 and Design Manual: Barrier Free Access 2008.
- (d) Adequate emergency vehicular access should be provided in accordance with B(P)R 41D and the Code of Practice for Fire Safety in Buildings 2011 (FS Code).
- (e) Adequate means of escape should be provided to the premises in accordance with B(P)R 41(I) and FS Code.
- (f) The subject premises should be separated from different use of adequate fire resistance rating pursuant to Building (Construction) Regulation 90 and the FS Code.
- (g) Adequate sanitary fitments should be provided to the premises in accordance with the Building (Standards of Sanitary Fitments, Plumbing, Drainage Works and Latrines) Regulations.

Comments of Chief Engineer/ Mainland South, Drainage Services Department

- (h) The SIA for the subject planning application should meet the full satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Department.

Comments of Chief Highway Engineer/Kowloon, Highways Department (CHE/K, HyD)

- (i) Headroom for canopy over public footway shall not be less than 3500mm and the projection on footway shall give a minimum set back of 600mm from kerblines on submission plans.
- (j) Any canopy shall be provided with adequate surface water drainage in order to avoid nuisance to the public.
- (k) The applicant is required to maintain the canopy including lighting at the cost of the lot owner.
- (l) The applicant shall at his own expense and to the satisfaction of CHE/K, HyD remove the canopy when this is necessitated by any road widening / realignment, improvement and maintenance works or any works related to public utilities and he shall not be entitled to any claim and compensation from the Government.

Advisory clauses

- (a) the approval of the application does not imply that any proposal on building design elements to fulfill the requirements under the Sustainable Building Design Guidelines and any gross floor area (GFA) concession of the proposed commercial development will be granted by the Building Authority (BA). The applicant should approach the Buildings Department (BD) direct to obtain the necessary approval. If the proposed building design elements and GFA concession are not approved/granted by the BA and major changes to the current scheme are required, a fresh planning application to the Town Planning Board (TPB) may be required;
- (b) to note the comments of the District Lands Officer/Kowloon East, Lands Department (LandsD) on the need to apply to the District Lands Office, Kowloon East for a lease modification to give effect to the proposal. However, there is no guarantee at this stage that the lease modification would be approved and if the application is for lease modification is approved by LandsD in the capacity as landlord at his sole discretion, it will be subject to such terms and conditions including the full payment of premium and administration fee as considered appropriate by LandsD. Among the conditions under the 2018 Industrial Building revitalisation measure for redevelopment, the lease modification letter/conditions of land exchange shall be executed no later than three years from the date of the TPB's approval letter and the proposed redevelopment shall be completed within five years from the date of execution of the lease modification letter/conditions of land exchange;
- (c) to note the comments of the Chief Building Surveyor/Kowloon, BD that the proposal should in all aspects comply with the Buildings Ordinance (BO). Under Practice Note for Authorized Persons, Registered Structural Engineers and Registered Geotechnical Engineers (PNAP) APP-2, 100% gross floor area (GFA) concession may be granted for loading/unloading area on G/F, and underground private carpark, provided that the car parking spaces are electric vehicle charging-enabling. No part of the building, up to a level of 15m above the street level, shall be within 7.5m from the centreline of the street; PNAP APP-151 and APP-152 refer. Under Joint Practice Note No. 2, 100% GFA concession may be granted to sky garden. Detailed comments under BO will be given at the BP submission stage;
- (d) to note the comments of the Chief Highway Engineer/Kowloon, Highways Department (CHE/K, HyD) that the headroom for canopy over public footway shall not be less than 3500mm and the projection on footway shall give a minimum set back of 600mm from kerbline on submission plans. Any canopy shall be provided with adequate surface water drainage in order to avoid nuisance to the public. The applicant is required to maintain the canopy including lighting at the cost of the lot owner. The applicant shall at his own expense and to the satisfaction of CHE/K, HyD remove the canopy when this is necessitated by any road widening / realignment, improvement and maintenance works or any works related to public utilities and he shall not be entitled to any claim and compensation from the Government; and
- (e) to note the comments of the Chief Engineer/Mainland South, Drainage Services Department that the sewerage impact assessment needs to meet the full satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Department.

Similar Applications

No.	OZP Zoning Application No.	Address (Site Area)	Proposed Uses ^[1]	Proposed Minor Relaxation	Date of Consideration	Typical Floor Height (Uses)	Major Planning & Design Merits
1.	S/K14S/22 “OU(B)” A/K14/763	350 Kwun Tong Road, Kwun Tong (1,782m ²)	C/O	<u>PR</u> 12 to 14.4 (+20%) <u>BH</u> 100mPD to 125.9mPD (+25.9%)	<u>Approved</u> with conditions on 22.3.2019	4m (Office)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Full-height setback along Hang Yip Street and Lai Yip Street in accordance with ODP requirement for improving pedestrian environment ● Greening provision of 357m² (about 20% of Site Area) ● Proposed minor relaxation of BH generally in proportion to the 20% increase in PR under applied; and may still allow a stepped BH profile in the Area ● Incorporation of refuge floor cum communal sky garden
2.	S/K14S/22 “OU(B)” A/K14/764 <i>(same site as No. A/K14/771)</i>	32 Hung To Road, Kwun Tong (911.2m ²)	C/O	<u>PR</u> 12 to 14.4 (+20%) <u>BH</u> 100mPD to 130.2mPD (+30.2%)	<u>Rejected</u> on 22.3.2019 on the following grounds: (I), (II) [see remarks for details]	3.5m (Office)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Full-height setback/ground floor NBA^[2] along Hung To Road and the back alley in accordance with ODP requirement for improving pedestrian environment ● Greening provision of 127m² (about 14% of Site Area) [Note: greenery requirement under SBDG is not applicable to this site of <1,000m²] ● Incorporation of refuge floor cum communal sky garden
3.	S/K11/29 “OU(B)” A/K11/233	1 Tsat Po Street, San Po Kong (1,346.1m ²)	I	<u>PR</u> 12 to 14.4 (+20%) <u>BH</u> Nil	<u>Approved</u> with conditions on 12.4.2019	3.325m (Workshop)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Full-height setback in accordance with OZP along Tsat Po Street and Sam Chuk Street for improving pedestrian environment. ● Greening provision of 278 m² (about 20% of Site Area)
4.	S/K9/26 “OU(B)” A/K9/274	13 Hok Yuen Street, Hung Hom (3,698.8m ²)	C/O	<u>PR</u> 12 to 12.782 (+6.52%) <u>BH</u> Nil	<u>Approved</u> with conditions on 17.5.2019	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Proposed corner setback at Hok Yuen Street and 4.5m setbacks from adjacent buildings at east and west for improving the pedestrian environment ● A 26.8m-wide building gap between the two office towers ● Greening provision of 740 m² (including a landscaped garden on 1/F) (about 20% of Site Area)

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5.	S/K14S/22 “OU(B)” A/K14/766	41 King Yip Street, Kwun Tong (2,042m ²)	C/O	<u>PR</u> 12 to 14.4 (+20%) <u>BH</u> 100mPD to 126mPD (+26%)	Approved with conditions on 16.8.2019	4.025m (Office)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Full-height setback/ground floor NBA^[2] along King Yip Street and the back alley in accordance with ODP requirement for improving pedestrian environment. ● Voluntary setback and corner setback (G/F to 1/F) along King Yip Street to provide more ground floor greening and weather protection to the pedestrian ● Curvilinear building design with five layers of edge plantings ● Greening provision of 530 m² (about 26% of Site Area) ● Incorporation of refuge floor cum communal sky garden ● Compliance with SBDG and incorporation of green building design measures ● Proposed minor relaxation of BH generally in proportion to the 20% increase in PR under applied; and may not be incompatible with the planned stepped BH profile in the Area
6.	S/K14S/22 “OU(B)” A/K14/771 (same site as No. A/K14/764)	32 Hung To Road, Kwun Tong (911.2m ²)	C/O	<u>PR</u> 12 to 14.4 (+20%) <u>BH</u> 100mPD to 119.7mPD (+19.7%)	Approved with conditions on 16.8.2019	3.5m (Office)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Full-height setback/ground floor NBA^[2] along Hung To Road and the back alley in accordance with ODP requirement for improving pedestrian environment ● Greening provision of 197 m² (about 22% of Site Area) [Note: greenery requirement under SBDG is not applicable to this site of <1,000m²] ● Incorporation of refuge floor cum communal sky garden ● Tower deposition to allow building separation at tower with adjoining building to facilitate wind penetration to inland area ● Compliance with SBDG and incorporation of green building design measures ● Proposed minor relaxation of BH generally in proportion to the 20% increase in PR under applied; and may not be incompatible with the planned stepped BH profile in the Area. ● Confined site configuration while the applicant had made effort in the building design to improve the local environment as listed above.
7.	S/K14S/22 “OU(B)” A/K14/773	82 Hung To Road, Kwun Tong (929.03m ²)	I	<u>PR</u> 12 to 14.4 (+20%) <u>BH</u> 100mPD to 119.85mPD (+19.85%)	Deferred by the MPC on 18.10.2019 and the applicant was requested to provide further information on the planning and design merits	4.1m (Workshop)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Building setback from above 1F ● Glass canopy for providing weather protection to the pedestrian ● Greening provision of 203 m² (about 22% of Site Area) [Note: greenery requirement under SBDG is not applicable to this site of <1,000m²] ● Incorporation of refuge floor cum communal sky garden ● Compliance with SBDG and incorporation of green building design measures

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8.	S/KC/29 “OU(B)” A/KC/460	57 – 61 Ta Chuen Ping Street, Kwai Chung (2,261m ²)	I-O	<u>PR</u> 9.5 to 11.4 (+20%) <u>BH</u> Nil	Approved with conditions on 5.7.2019	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Full-height setback along Ta Chuen Ping Street wider than OZP requirement for long-term road widening and improving air ventilation
9.	S/TW/33 “Industrial” A/TW/505	14-18 Ma Kok Street, Tsuen Wan (1,858.1m ²)	I	<u>PR</u> 9.5 to 11.4 (+20%) <u>BH</u> Nil	Approved with conditions on 1.11.2019	3.5m (Workshop)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Voluntary full-height setback along Ma Kok Street for improving pedestrian environment ● Greening at G/F (with 0.6m setback) along Tsuen Yip Street ● Greening provision of 389 m² (about 20% of Site Area) ● Compliance with SBDG and incorporation of green building design measures
10.	S/KC/29 “OU(B)” A/KC/464	20-24 Kwai Wing Road, Kwai Chung (1,579m ²)	I	<u>PR</u> 9.5 to 11.4 (+20%) <u>BH</u> Nil	Approved with conditions on 29.11.2019	4.2m (Workshop)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Voluntary full-height setbacks at the northern portion of site and along Castle Peak Road - Kwai Chung for improving pedestrian environment, air ventilation and visual permeability ● Greening provision of 316m² (about 20% of Site Area) ● Provision of communal escalator with universal accessible lift and staircase open to the public for improving pedestrian connectivity, accessibility and comfort ● Compliance with SBDG and incorporation of green building design measures

Notes

[1] Proposed Uses: Industrial (I), Commercial/ Office (C/O), and Industrial-Office (I-O)

[2] For back alleys, in addition to a 1.5m full-height setback, a 1.5m non-building area (NBA) from ground level with clear headroom of 5.1 are required, which basement structures as well as cantilevered structures projecting above the minimum 5.1m headroom are allowed.

Rejection Reasons

(I) The applicant failed to demonstrate that there were sufficient planning and design merits to justify the proposed minor relaxation of building height restriction.

(II) The approval of the application would set an undesirable precedent for similar applications for minor relaxation of building height restriction in the area, the cumulative effects of approving similar applications would have adverse visual impact on the area