RNTPC Paper No. A/YL/268 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 20.11.2020

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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(for 1st Deferment)

Applicant : Mr. TANG Chi Hok represented by Lawson David and Sung

Surveyors Limited

Site : Lot 2497 RP (Part) in D.D. 120, Shap Pat Heung Road, Yuen Long,

New Territories

Site Area : 630m² (about)

Lease : Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

Plan : Approved Yuen Long Outline Zoning Plan No. S/YL/23

Zoning : "Residential (Group B)" ("R(B)")

[restricted to a maximum plot ratio of 3.5, a maximum site coverage of 50% and

a maximum building height of 25 storeys (excluding basement car park)]

Application: Proposed Temporary Eating Place and Outside Seating

Accommodation of a Restaurant for a Period of 6 Years

1. Background

On 28.9.2020, the applicant sought planning permission to use the application site (the Site) for proposed temporary eating place and outside seating accommodation of a restaurant for a period of 6 years (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 4.11.2020, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for two months so as to allow time for preparation of further information (FI) in response to departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department has <u>no objection</u> to the request for 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. 33) in that the applicant needs more time to prepare FI in response to 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 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 FI, and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances.

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 Letter dated 4.11.2020 from the applicant's representative

Plan A-1 Location plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT NOVEMBER 2020