

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Updating the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines and
increasing community facilities to enhance living environment”
moved by Hon CHAN Han-pan
at the Council meeting of 7 December 2016**

**Motion as amended by Hon Alice MAK, Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok,
Hon Frankie YICK and Hon Andrew WAN**

That, the aim of formulating the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines is to provide guidance on land use planning and development processes, and the Administration made a number of amendments to them in the past; in recent years, the Government has made it a prime task to increase the supply of public and private housing, but while substantially increasing public and private housing, the Administration has not correspondingly increased community facilities, especially parking spaces, public markets as well as cultural and leisure facilities, thus failing to provide the public with basic ancillary facilities for living; in this connection, this Council urges the Administration to adopt the principles of ‘people-orientation’ and ‘enhancing community participation’ to expeditiously update the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines and relevant town planning guidelines by, among others, incorporating public markets into the item of ‘community facilities’, restoring the prescription of a standard for population-to-market stall ratio, reviewing the supply of parking spaces in various districts and incorporating afresh the standard for population-to-cinema ratio into the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines, etc., and set up a dedicated fund for enhancement of community facilities and optimize the use of idle spaces or land lots, so as to meet the public’s needs for living and perfect community planning; the Administration should also earmark financial and administrative resources and draw up a specific timetable for the expeditious implementation of the construction of various facilities concerned; meanwhile, the Administration should enhance long-term integrated town planning, implement a comprehensive and balanced industrial policy, increase the provision of sites and infrastructure support for industrial and commercial industries, review and enhance the public consultation system, and improve and streamline the planning procedures and implementation mechanism; moreover, the Administration should provide comprehensive transport ancillary facilities, and provide appropriate vehicle support facilities where necessary, including parking spaces for various types of vehicles complemented with charging facilities and vehicle maintenance workshops; moreover, the Administration should incorporate afresh early childhood education service into the item of ‘community facilities’ in the Hong

Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines and set the standard of providing 100 education service places for every 2 500 children under two years of age, raise the planning standard for full-day kindergarten places to provide 500 full-day places for every 1 000 children between the age of three to five, prescribe the standard for provision of open space to be a minimum of 10 hectares per 85 000 persons, and set the standard of providing one small library for every 40 000 to 50 000 persons; the Administration should also construct new municipal services complexes in the vicinity of retail facilities under Link Real Estate Investment Trust, improve the facilities of existing municipal services buildings and implement bicycle friendly measures in various districts.