

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES

No. 12

**Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 10 January 2018 at 11:00 am
and Thursday 11 January 2018 at 12:30 pm**

Attendance

The attendance of Members, public officers and Clerks is in the Official Record of Proceedings.

Presentation of Petition

Hon Charles Peter MOK and three other Members¹ presented, under Rule 20 of the Rules of Procedure (“RoP”), a petition to the Council as set out on the Agenda. Immediately after Hon Charles Peter MOK had presented the petition, Hon WU Chi-wai rose in his place and requested that the petition be referred to the House Committee. As less than one half of all Members supported the request, the petition would not be referred to the House Committee in accordance with RoP 20(6).

¹ The three Members were: Hon WU Chi-wai, Hon Alvin YEUNG and Hon Claudia MO.

Tabling of Papers

The following papers were laid on the table under RoP 21(2):

<u>Subsidiary Legislation / Instrument</u>	<u>L.N. No.</u>
Public Health and Municipal Services Ordinance (Public Pleasure Grounds) (Amendment of Fourth Schedule) Order 2018 (gazetted on 5.1.2018)	1/2018

Other Paper

No. 62 - Director of Social Welfare Incorporated
Financial Statements and Report of the Director of Audit
for the year ended 31 March 2017
(published on 5.1.2018)

Questions

Six oral questions as set out on the Agenda (i.e. Questions 1 to 6) were put by the Members and oral replies were given by the public officers.

Written replies to Questions 7 to 22 as set out on the Agenda were supplied to Members.

Government Bills

First Reading and Second Reading

- Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No. 6) : Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury
Bill 2017
- Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No. 7) : Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury
Bill 2017

After the Bills were read the first time and ordered to be set down for Second Reading under RoP 53(3), the public officer moved the Second Reading of the Bills respectively. The questions on the Second Reading of the Bills were proposed respectively and the debates were adjourned. The Bills were referred to the House Committee in accordance with RoP 54(4).

Second Reading (Debate to resume), Consideration by Committee of the Whole Council and Third Reading

- Supplementary Appropriation (2016-2017) : Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury
Bill

The debate on the Second Reading of the Bill, which was moved on 18 October 2017, resumed. After Members and the public officer had spoken, the question on the Second Reading of the Bill was put and agreed to (details of division in **Appendix 1**). The Bill was read the second time and committed to a committee of the whole Council.

The Council became committee of the whole Council and considered the Bill. A Member and the public officer spoke. During the consideration of the Bill, the following questions were put:

<u>Order of questions put</u>	<u>Decisions taken (details of division, if any)</u>
— Clauses 1 and 2 stand part of the Bill	Passed
— Schedule stand part of the Bill	Passed

The Council then resumed. The public officer reported that the Bill had been passed by committee of the whole Council without amendment. The question on the motion that the report made under RoP 58(12) by the public officer be adopted by this Council was proposed, put and agreed to (details of division in **Appendix 2**). The Bill was ordered to be set down for Third Reading under RoP 59. The question on the Third Reading of the Bill was proposed, put and agreed to (details of division in **Appendix 3**). The Bill was read the third time and passed.

Consideration by Committee of the Whole Council and Third Reading

- Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 2017 : Secretary for Transport and Housing

The Council became committee of the whole Council to continue the consideration of the Bill. The provisions of the Bill and amendments thereto as set out on the Agenda were debated and voted in accordance with the relevant debate and voting arrangements and the relevant provisions of RoP. During the consideration of the Bill, the following questions were put:

<u>Order of questions put</u>	<u>Decisions taken (details of division, if any)</u>
— Clauses 1 to 4 and 9 stand part of the Bill	Passed (Appendix 4)
— Hon James TO's first group of amendments to clauses 5 and 7	Negated (Appendix 5)
— Motion moved without notice by Hon Starry LEE to shorten the duration of the division bell for further divisions in relation to the amendments to and provisions of the Bill	Passed (Appendix 6)
— Hon James TO's second group of amendments to clauses 5 and 7	Negated (Appendix 7)
— The public officer's first group of amendments to clauses 5 and 7	Passed
— Clauses 5 and 7 as amended stand part of the Bill	Passed
— Second Reading of new clause 8A (Hon Holden CHOW's first amendment)	Passed (Appendix 8)
— Addition of new clause 8A to the Bill moved by Hon Holden CHOW	Passed
— The public officer's second group of amendments to clauses 6 and 8	Passed
— Clauses 6 and 8 as amended stand part of the Bill	Passed
— Hon James TO's third group of amendments to clause 10	Negated (Appendix 9)
— Clause 10 stand part of the Bill	Passed

The Council then resumed. The public officer reported that the Bill had been passed by committee of the whole Council with amendments. The question on the motion that the report made under RoP 58(12) by the public officer be adopted by this Council was proposed, put and agreed to (details of division in **Appendix 10**). The Bill was ordered to be set down for Third Reading under RoP 59. The question on the Third Reading of the Bill was proposed. After Members had spoken, the question on the Third Reading of the Bill was put and agreed to. The Bill was read the third time and passed.

Next meeting

The President declared that the next Council meeting would be held on 17 January 2018 at 11:00 am.

The Council was adjourned at 7:45 pm on 11 January 2018.



(Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen)

President

Legislative Council

Chamber
Legislative Council Complex, Hong Kong

23 February 2018