## **Construction Industry Council**

## **Committee on Construction Business Development**

Meeting No. 003/22 of the Committee on Construction Business Development (Com-CBD) was held on Thursday, 15 September 2022 at 2:30pm at the Board Room, 29/F, Tower 2, Enterprise Square Five (MegaBox), 38 Wang Chiu Road, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon, Hong Kong

Summary Notes of the Com-CBD Meeting No. 003/22:

Agenda Item	Paper	Major Resolutions / Progress Highlights
3.1	CIC/CBD/M/002/22	Confirmation of the Minutes of Meeting No. 002/22
		Members took note of the Paper CIC/CBD/M/002/22 and confirmed the Minutes of Meeting No. 002/22 held on Thursday, 2 June 2022.
3.2	CIC/CBD/M/002/22	Matters Arising from the Last Meeting
		Item 2.6, update on Task Force on Greater Bay Area was reported under item 3.5.
3.3	*CIC/CBD/P/005/22*	★Reappointment of Chairperson and Members of Task Force on Construction Expenditure Forecast
	(for approval)	Members approved to reappoint the Chairperson Ms. Rita CHUNG to lead the Task Force on Construction Expenditure Forecast (TF-CEF) and corresponding member organisations for a term of two years starting from 1 October 2022. Invitation would be sent to the member organisations to nominate representatives for the TF-CEF.
3.4	CIC/CBD/P/006/22	Final Report of Study on Strategic Review for Uplifting Construction Capacity
	(for endorsement)	<ul> <li>(a) The Final Report was endorsed by Task Force on 30 August 2022 with minor comments. A revised Final Report submitted on 8 September 2022 for Com-CBD's endorsement.</li> </ul>
		(b) Representatives from Arcadis Consultancy Hong Kong Limited (Arcadis) briefed Members on the Final Report. However, Members felt that more detailed study on specific recommendations, as well as reviewing the methodology in prioritising the proposed initiatives would be necessary. Arcadis would take into account Members' comments and review on further revision on the Final Report.

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3.5	(verbal report)	<ul> <li>Progress Update on Task Force on Greater Bay Area</li> <li>(a) Members were briefed the progress of the Task Force. The renovation works of the Mainland Liaison Office in Guangzhou had been completed on 5 September 2022, while the registration was still under processing at the time being.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>(b) The first course and opening ceremony of the Signature Course on National Affairs for the Construction Young Persons would commence on 22 September 2022.</li> </ul>
3.6		Any Other Business
		<ul> <li>(a) Update on Security of Payment Legislation (SOPL)</li> <li>Members were briefed the latest development of SOPL. The bill on SOPL was estimated to be passed by the Legislative Council and become effective by 2025. Meanwhile Development Bureau (DEVB) would, in collaboration with CIC Secretariat, to arrange briefing sessions to quasi-governmental organisations on Security of Payment Provisions (SOPP).</li> </ul>
		(b) Temporary Land Allocation (TLA) for Storage of Materials
		DEVB allocated six pieces of land to the construction industry for temporary storage of materials. Members were briefed the site readiness timeline, proposed leasing conditions and selection criteria. Hong Kong Construction Association and CIC would speed up the enabling work of sites and the tendering preparation work respectively.
		(c) Market Study on New Engineering Contract (NEC)
		A survey would be conducted to collect views from industry stakeholders and to comment on NEC adoption and effectiveness. Results would be presented at the upcoming Com-CBD meeting to be held on 7 December 2022.

Remarks: The mentioned papers discussed at the Committee on Construction Business Development and the full minutes can be made available to Council Members from the CIC Secretariat upon request.