Construction Industry Council

Committee on Environment

Meeting No. 001/20 of the Committee on Environment (Com-ENV) was held on 10 March 2020 (Tuesday) at 2:30pm at Board Room, Construction Industry Council Headquarters, 38/F COS Centre 56 Tsun Yip Street, Kwun Tong, Kowloon, Hong Kong

Summary Notes of the Com-ENV Meeting No. 001/20:

| Agenda Item | Paper | Major Resolutions/ Progress Highlights |
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| 1.1 | CIC/ENV/M/004/19 (for discussion) | Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting |
| | , , | Members of Com-ENV confirmed the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 December 2019. |
| 1.2 | CIC/ENV/M/004/19 (for discussion) | Matters Arising from the Previous Meeting |
| | | Item 4.2 - CIC Sustainable Construction Award 2020 |
| | | CIC secretariat reported that the Award Organising Committee meeting was held in February 2020. The promotion plan and sponsorship package were approved. Members were invited to apply and promote the Award. |
| 1.3 | CIC/ENV/P/001/20 (for approval) | Consultancy Services on Development and Implementation of CIC Sustainable Construction Model and E-platform |
| | | Members were briefed on the confined scope of the CIC Sustainable Construction Model (Model) and the progress of the pilot programme. |
| | | Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency (HKQAA) proposed to confine the project scope to green finance and the best practices should be focused on the aspects of environmental sustainability. The |

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| | | draft Model content is prepared and pilot programme will be conducted in March 2020. |
| | | Members suggested that HKQAA should define clearly on the rationale of fundamental and advanced practices. The content of the Model has to be in line with the Sustainable Construction Certification Scheme, which will be commenced in Q2 2020. |
| | | Members agreed to confine the project scope to green finance; and approved the extension of project completion time from July 2020 to September 2020 due to the current situation of coronavirus disease. |
| 1.4 | CIC/ENV/P/002/20 | Green Finance Opportunities in Construction Industry |
| | (for approval) | Members were briefed on the background, scope of work and proposed Working Group of the CIC Sustainable Construction Certification Scheme (Scheme). |
| | | Members were supportive on the Scheme development and suggested that the appointed consultant should benchmark the local and international green finance approaches; as well as collaborate closely with the Working Group and financial institutions to meet the expectations from both construction and financial sectors. CIC secretariat will address Members' comment into the assignment brief. |
| | | Members approved the development of the Scheme through tender process in March 2020 and the establishment of Working Group to oversee the projects. The development of the Scheme will be commenced in April 2020 and is expected to be completed in 20 months. |
| 1.5 | CIC/ENV/P/003/20 | Progress Update of Consultancy Services on Development and Implementation of CIC Carbon |
| | (for approval) | Assessment Tool |
| | | Cundall reported the findings of pilot projects and implementation plan of the CIC Carbon Assessment Tool (Tool). As the Tool is in the implementation stage, Members agreed that more incentives and resources should be provided to encourage wider applications. Cundall will arrange |

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| | | briefing sessions to raise stakeholders' awareness and follow up with BEAM Society Limited on the integration of the Tool into BEAM Plus New Building. Besides, Cundall will liaise with the Airport Authority to explore implementation of the Tool into its new construction projects. |
| | | Members approved the implementation plan and extension of project completion time from May 2020 to June 2020 due to current situation of coronavirus disease. |
| 1.6 | PowerPoint Presentation | Update from Hong Kong Green Building Council (HKGBC) |
| | (for information) | The HKGBC representatives updated its CIC-funded projects status including the CIC Green Product Certification, Hong Kong Green Building Week, Hong Kong Green Shop Alliance, and arrangement of the World Sustainable Built Environment Conference (WSBE) 2020 in Sweden co-organised by CIC and HKGBC in June 2020. |
| | | [Post meeting notes: WSBE 2020 is put on hold by the World Green Building Council due to the current situation of coronavirus disease.] |
| 1.7 | PowerPoint Presentation | Any Other Business |
| | (for information) | CIC secretariat reported Council Members' comments and Com-ENV's follow-up actions regarding the Consultancy Services on Improving the Environmental Performance of the Hong Kong Construction Industry. |
| | | Members were briefed on the progress of research projects under Com-ENV. CIC secretariat also invited Members to submit content for Hong Kong Report on the State of Sustainable Built Environment 2020. |

Remarks: The mentioned papers discussed at the meeting of Com-ENV and/or the full Minutes can be made available to Council Members from the CIC secretariat upon request.