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Dear Sirs

WAIVER / MODIFICATION TO REQUIREMENTS OF THE PARKING PLACES (PROVISION OF PARKING PLACES & PARKING SPACES) RULES ("RULES")

1. LTA has received an increasing number of applications to waive/modify the compliance to the requirements of the Rules in the past year. These applications typically request for a reduced number of parking spaces to be provided for in a development or to modify various dimensions that are stipulated in the Rules.
2. We would like to highlight that the requirements stipulated in the Rules are the minimum requirements. Therefore, any deviation resulting in a reduced provision of parking spaces and dimensions from the Rules would disadvantage the eventual users of the completed developments.
3. In particular, we would like this circular to serve as a reminder to Qualified Persons (QPs) on the following issues.
 - a) To ensure that all proposals comply with the Rules before allowing for construction activities to commence. We would not hesitate to turn down any application for waiver to the Rules on the grounds that construction works had already begun;
 - b) Any application for the waiver of compliance with geometric dimensions should be supported robustly on technical grounds. The applications should also be accompanied by technical assessments demonstrating clearly that various options have been studied. We encourage QPs to make use of appropriate design softwares to verify the turning path of vehicles to determine its practicality before making any applications to LTA.
 - c) QPs are also to keep developers informed of any application for waiver of requirements stipulated in the Rules. There have been several situations where developers were unaware of applications for waiver made by QPs, which has resulted in disputes between developers and purchasers of the completed properties. These disputes are then brought

to LTA's attention when the purchaser(s) face difficulties using the car park facilities.

4. To facilitate the above, we would like to take this opportunity to remind QPs that submissions for vehicle parking clearances should be completed as soon as the Written Permission (WP) is issued by the Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA).
5. We would appreciate it if you could please disseminate this circular to all members of your organisation.

Yours faithfully



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