Local Government Integration (Amendment No. 2) Ordinance

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An Ordinance to amend the Local Government Integration Ordinance, 1963 (No. 18 of 1963).

Be it enacted by the Yang di-Pertuan Negara with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Singapore, as follows: —

Short title and commencement

1.—(1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Local Government Integration (Amendment No. 2) Ordinance, 1964, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

(2) The Minister may appoint different dates for the coming into operation of the different provisions of this Ordinance.

Amendment of section 17

2. Subsection (1) of section 17 of the Local Government Integration Ordinance, 1963 (hereinafter in this Ordinance referred to as the "principal Ordinance") is hereby deleted and the following substituted therefor: —

"Director may recover cost of new street or of widening, opening, etc. of public street

17.—(1) When the Director has made a new street or has widened, opened, enlarged or otherwise improved a public street, he may, as the case may be, recover the cost of acquiring the land for, and of —

- (a) constructing the new street; or
- (b) widening, opening, enlarging or otherwise improving the public street,

from the owners of the premises —

- (i) abutting the new street or public street, as the case may be; and
- (ii) which do not front, adjoin or abut on the new street or public street, as the case may be, but access to which is obtained through the new street or the widened, opened, enlarged or otherwise improved public

street by means of another street or backlane, and which, in the opinion of the Director, has benefited by the making of the new street or the widening, opening, enlarging or otherwise improving of the public street.".

Amendment of section 18

- 3. Section 18 of the principal Ordinance is hereby amended
 - (a) by deleting the word "and" appearing at the end of paragraph (i) of subsection (2) thereof and by deleting the full-stop appearing after paragraph (j) thereof and substituting therefor the expression "; and";
 - (*b*) by inserting immediately after paragraph (*j*) of subsection (2) thereof the following new paragraph: —

"(*k*) the provision of street lighting.";

(c) by inserting immediately after subsection (6) thereof the following new subsection: —

"(7) The person whose plan has been approved by the Director or the successor in title so far as the street lies in the land acquired by such successor, shall, if he constructs the new street, construct the new street in accordance with the plans approved by the Director within such period as may be specified in such approval:

Provided that the Director may in his discretion renew such approval for such period as he may consider necessary.";

- (d) by renumbering the existing subsection (7) thereof as subsection (8); and
- (e) by deleting the existing subsection (8) thereof.

New section 18A

4. The principal Ordinance is hereby amended by inserting immediately after section 18 thereof the following new section: —

"Approval of plans to expire

18A. All plans for a new street which were approved under the provisions of section 101 of the Municipal Ordinance (*Cap. 133* (1936 edition)) or section 142 of the Local Government Ordinance, 1957 (Ord. 24 of 1957), or under the provisions of section 18 of this Ordinance, shall expire at the end of one year from a date to be

appointed by the Minister by notification in the Gazette:

Provided that the Director may grant a renewal of such approval for such period as he may determine, but such renewal shall not in the aggregate exceed twelve months.".

New sections 19A to 19F

5. The principal Ordinance is hereby amended by inserting immediately after section 19 thereof the following new sections: —

"Payments to be made before erection of new buildings, in respect of street works

19A.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this section where any building which is to be erected —

- (*a*) will have frontage on a private street in respect of which the Director may be able to exercise his powers under the provisions of section 19 of this Ordinance to require street works to be executed or to execute street works on his own; or
- (b) in any case where a notice in writing is required, under the provisions of section 18 of this Ordinance, for the making of a new street,

no work shall be commenced or done for the purpose of erecting such buildings, unless the person erecting the building has deposited with the Director such sum, if any, as may be required to be deposited in accordance with an order made under the provisions of subsection (2) of section 19C of this Ordinance.

(2) If any work is commenced for the erection of any new building in contravention of the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, the person, who, in the opinion of the Director, is responsible for the commencement of any such work may be served with a notice, in writing, by the Director requiring such person to cease building operations forthwith.

(3) If any work is commenced for the erection of any new building in contravention of the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, the person who, in the opinion of the Director, is responsible for the commencement of such work shall be guilty of an offence under this Ordinance and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding three thousand dollars or to imprisonment for a term which may extend to twelve months or to both such fine and imprisonment. Such person shall also be liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for every day during which the contravention is continued after such conviction.

(4) If any such notice served under the provisions of subsection (2) of this section, is not complied with, the person who has been served with such notice shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding three thousand dollars or to imprisonment for a term which may extend to twelve months or to both such fine and imprisonment, and to a further fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for every day during which such notice was not complied with. Such person shall also be liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for every day during which such notice one hundred dollars for every day during which after such contravention of the provisions of subsection (1) of this section is continued after such conviction.

(5) Where any person has been convicted of an offence under the provisions of subsection (3) or (4) of this section and the erection of the building has been completed, the court before which such person is convicted may, in addition to such fine or imprisonment that it may impose under the provisions of subsection (3) or (4) of this section, order him to pay the amount of any deposit that he would have had to deposit under the provisions of subsection (5) of section 19C of this Ordinance. Such amount as may be ordered by the court may be recovered according to the law for the time being in force for the recovery of fines.

(6) No prosecution for an offence, under the provisions of this section, shall be instituted, except by or with the sanction of the Director.

(7) A certificate of the Director stating that he is of the opinion —

- (*a*) that the person, body of persons, society, firm or company named in such certificate is responsible for the commencement of any work for the erection of any new building; or
- (b) that any new building in respect of which a prosecution, had been instituted in regard to the commencement of any work, for contravening the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, has been completed,

shall be conclusive evidence for the purposes of any prosecution under this section.

Power to exempt

19B. The Minister may by order in writing exempt a particular building or class of buildings from the provisions of section 19A of this Ordinance.

Determination of the amount to be deposited and the date for completion

19C.—(1) Every person shall, before commencing any work for the erection of