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**新世界發展有限公司**

**New World Development Company Limited**

(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

**(Stock Code: 0017)**

## **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an Annual General Meeting of New World Development Company Limited (新世界發展有限公司) (the “Company”) will be held at Meeting Room S221 (Harbour Road Entrance), Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, 1 Expo Drive, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Thursday, 26 November 2020 at 11:45 a.m. for the following purposes:

1. To consider and adopt the audited Financial Statements and the Reports of the Directors and the Independent Auditor for the year ended 30 June 2020.
2. To declare a final dividend.
3. To re-elect Directors and authorise the Board of Directors to fix their remuneration, including:
  - (a) to re-elect Dr. Cheng Kar-Shun, Henry as Director;
  - (b) to re-elect Mr. Doo Wai-Hoi, William as Director;
  - (c) to re-elect Mr. Cheng Kar-Shing, Peter as Director;
  - (d) to re-elect Mr. Liang Cheung-Biu, Thomas as Director;
  - (e) to re-elect Ms. Cheng Chi-Man, Sonia as Director;
  - (f) to re-elect Ms. Huang Shaomei, Echo as Director;
  - (g) to re-elect Ms. Chiu Wai-Han, Jenny as Director; and
  - (h) to authorise the Board of Directors to fix the remuneration of the Directors.
4. To re-appoint Messrs. PricewaterhouseCoopers as Auditor and authorise the Board of Directors to fix their remuneration.

5. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION**

**“THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to buy back shares of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“Stock Exchange”) or any other stock exchange on which the securities of the Company may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in connection with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the total number of shares of the Company which the Directors of the Company is authorised to buy back pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed 10% of the total number of the issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing this resolution, provided that if any subsequent consolidation or subdivision of shares of the Company is effected, the maximum number of shares of the Company that may be bought back under the mandate in paragraph (a) above as a percentage of the total number of issued shares of the Company at the date immediately before and after such consolidation or subdivision shall be the same and such maximum number of shares shall be adjusted accordingly; and
- (c) for the purposes of this resolution,

“Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.”

6. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION**

**“THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below and pursuant to Sections 140 and 141 of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong), the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such power to issue shares of the Company be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall authorise the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such power to issue shares of the Company after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the total number of shares allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) and issued by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined), (ii) an issue of shares as scrip dividends pursuant to the articles of association of the Company from time to time; (iii) an issue of shares under any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company; or (iv) an issue of shares upon conversion by the bondholders of their bonds into shares of the Company in accordance with the terms and conditions of an issue of convertible guaranteed bonds by the Company or a special purpose subsidiary wholly owned by the Company, shall not exceed 10% of the total number of the issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing this resolution, provided that if any subsequent consolidation or subdivision of shares of the Company is effected, the maximum number of shares of the Company that may be issued and allotted under the mandate in paragraph (a) above as a percentage of the total number of issued shares of the Company at the date immediately before and after such consolidation or subdivision shall be the same and such maximum number of shares shall be adjusted accordingly;
- (d) any shares of the Company to be allotted and issued (whether wholly or partly for cash or otherwise) pursuant to the mandate in the above paragraphs of this resolution shall not be at a discount of more than 15% to the Benchmarked Price (as hereinafter defined) of such shares of the Company; and

(e) for the purpose of this resolution,

“Benchmarked Price” means the price which is the higher of:

- (i) the closing price of the shares of the Company as quoted on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited on the date of the agreement involving the relevant proposed issue of shares of the Company; and
- (ii) the average closing price as quoted on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited of the shares of the Company for the five trading days immediately preceding the earliest of:
  - (A) the date of announcement of the transaction or arrangement involving the relevant proposed issue of shares of the Company;
  - (B) the date of the agreement involving the relevant proposed issue of shares of the Company; and
  - (C) the date on which the price of shares of the Company that are proposed to be issued is fixed;

“Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting; and

“Rights Issue” means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors of the Company to the holders of shares of the Company on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares as at that date (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors of the Company may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong applicable to the Company).”

7. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION**

**“THAT:**

- (a) subject to the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong), The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and the terms and conditions of the share option scheme adopted by the shareholders of the Company on 22 November 2016 (the “Share Option Scheme”), a mandate be and is hereby unconditionally given to the Directors of the Company to exercise during the Relevant Period (as defined in paragraph (c) below) all the powers of the Company to grant options to subscribe for shares of the Company and/or to make or grant offers of options under the Share Option Scheme that would or might require shares of the Company to be allotted and/or options to be granted under the Share Option Scheme;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall authorise the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) to grant options and/or make offers of options under the Share Option Scheme which would or might require shares of the Company to be allotted and/or options to be granted under the Share Option Scheme after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) for the purpose of this resolution,

“Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.”

8. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolution as a special resolution:

### **SPECIAL RESOLUTION**

“**THAT** the new articles of association of the Company (the “New Articles of Association”), a copy of which has been produced to this meeting marked “A” and for identification purpose signed by the Chairman of the meeting, be and is hereby approved and adopted in substitution for and to the exclusion of the existing articles of association of the Company with immediate effect after the close of this meeting and that the Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to do all things necessary to implement the adoption of the New Articles of Association.”

By Order of the Board  
**Wong Man-Hoi**  
*Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 28 October 2020

*Notes:*

1. Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and, on a poll, vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
2. To be valid, a proxy form, together with any power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy thereof, must be lodged with the Company’s share registrar, Tricor Tengis Limited at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen’s Road East, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting (i.e. on Tuesday, 24 November 2020 at 11:45 a.m.) or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be).
3. The register of members of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 19 November 2020 to Thursday, 26 November 2020, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to determine the entitlement to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting, all share transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged with the Company’s share registrar, Tricor Tengis Limited at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen’s Road East, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 18 November 2020.
4. If a tropical cyclone warning signal no. 8 or above is in force in Hong Kong at any time between 7:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. on Thursday, 26 November 2020, the Annual General Meeting will not be held on that day but will be automatically postponed. The Company will publish an announcement on its website and on the website of the Stock Exchange to notify members of the Company of the date, time and location of the rescheduled meeting.
5. The translation into Chinese language of this notice is for reference only. In case of any inconsistency, the English version shall prevail.
6. As at the date of this notice, the Board of Directors of the Company comprises (a) seven executive directors, namely Dr. Cheng Kar-Shun, Henry, Dr. Cheng Chi-Kong, Adrian, Mr. Cheng Chi-Heng, Ms. Cheng Chi-Man, Sonia, Mr. Sitt Nam-Hoi, Ms. Huang Shaomei, Echo and Ms. Chiu Wai-Han, Jenny; (b) two non-executive directors, namely, Mr. Doo Wai-Hoi, William and Mr. Cheng Kar-Shing, Peter; and (c) six independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Yeung Ping-Leung, Howard, Mr. Cha Mou-Sing, Payson (alternate director to Mr. Cha Mou-Sing, Payson: Mr. Cha Mou-Zing, Victor), Mr. Ho Hau-Hay, Hamilton, Mr. Lee Luen-Wai, John, Mr. Liang Cheung-Biu, Thomas and Mr. Ip Yuk-Keung, Albert.

### **PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Please refer to page 1 of the circular of the Company dated 28 October 2020 for the measures being taken to prevent and control the spread of the COVID-19 at the Annual General Meeting, including but not limited to:

- (1) Compulsory body temperature check
- (2) Compulsory wearing of surgical face mask
- (3) Maintaining a safe distance between seats
- (4) No provision of refreshments or beverages
- (5) No distribution of coupons for subsequent consumption

Any person who does not comply with the precautionary measures will be denied entry into or be required to leave the Annual General Meeting venue.

**In light of the continuing risks posed by the COVID-19 and as part of the Company's control measures to safeguard the health and safety of the shareholders of the Company (the "Shareholders"), the Company strongly encourages the Shareholders to exercise their right to vote at the Annual General Meeting by appointing the chairman of the Annual General Meeting as their proxy and to return their proxy forms by the time specified in note 2 above, instead of attending the Annual General Meeting in person.**