Annex A

New city centre for the Sino-Singapore Tianjin Eco-city

Transit hub

The gateway to the City Centre will be located next to the future Z4 Nankai Station, making it an ideal location for a transit hub which will include a bus interchange. Visitors arriving on the Z4 rail line at the Nankai Station will be able to switch to the Eco-city's bus services to get to their destinations within the Eco-city. There is also a plan to introduce driverless cars and bicycles for travel along the Central Spine to promote the use of green transport.

Gateway to the City Centre

The gateway plaza will be framed by two iconic office towers, business hotels and residential buildings. The convenience of convention and exhibition facilities near the hotels and offices will help boost the Eco-city's standing as an ideal location for businesses.

The two office towers, at more than 150m, will be the tallest buildings in the Ecocity, projecting a majestic yet welcoming atmosphere. They will sit on retail podiums which will have outdoor dining areas extended into the central green space.

Leisure and entertainment

Away from the gateway plaza, building heights begin to dip, setting the grounds for smaller building foot prints and more intimate open spaces. Residents and visitors will be presented with an enjoyable shopping experience. To give it a stronger Tianjin presence, the design of the shopping streets will be integrated with Tianjin cultural elements in terms of scale, roof and façade materials.

Moving closer to the Ji Canal, one will be welcomed by the two important landmarks in the Eco-city, namely the Sino-Singapore Friendship Garden and the Sino-Singapore Friendship Library.

The Friendship Garden is a collaboration between the Eco-city Administrative Committee and National Parks Board (NParks). It will have a tropical greenhouse which will showcase Singapore's "City in a Garden" concept and will display a collection of tropical orchids and plants.

The Friendship Library will be the largest library in the Eco-city. Developed in

collaboration with Cybrarian Ventures Pte Ltd, a wholly owned company of the National Library Board (NLB), the library will feature a Singapore section and a Children's Eco-library.

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