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SUBANG Jaya Municipal Council (MPSJ) plans to instal more than 100 high-tech CCTV cameras in the SS15 commercial area to monitor parking and traffic flow.

Its president Noraini Roslan said under the proposed pilot project, the CCTVs would be equipped with enhanced technology and algorithms that could gauge the behaviour of motorists and alert MPSJ or the police if action was needed.

"If people park at a certain place illegally, the CCTV will alert MPSJ's control room so our enforcement officers can take action.

"This will be done soon, depending on the budget, and we will be partnering with TMOne," she told reporters after chairing a town hall at the Subang Jaya community hall on the refurbishment of the SS15 commercial area.

Noraini said the CCTVs would be placed at a lower level in public spaces to enable face recognition and vehicle registration identification.

"We hope to reduce traffic congestion and enhance safety in the area through this," she said, adding that they planned to roll out the programme by the year end.

"We will see if it is suitable first.

"To make it effective, more than 100 CCTVs will be needed.

"We are not doing this because SS15 is a dangerous area.

"It is about using technology to create a safer environment."

Noraini cited Surabaya, Indonesia, as an example.

Better surveillance in SS15 under smart city initiative

MPSJ to instal over 100 high-tech CCTV cameras in pilot project

"There are 2,000 CCTVs in Surabaya. Xiamen and Shanghai in China have tens of thousands CCTVs installed."

During the discussion, Noraini said MPSJ would carry out its placemaking project and refurbish SS15 in line with efforts to make Subang Jaya a safe, green, smart, prosperous, healthy and women-friendly municipality.

Also present were Subang Jaya assemblyman Michelle Ng, MPSJ deputy president Mohd Zulkurnain Che Ali and Subang Jaya police station head ASP Salmin Jaafar.

Noraini welcomed proposals from industry players and IT solutions providers to partner with MPSJ.

"Give us your proposals so we can extend this project to other areas that need it," she said.

On the refurbishment of SS15, Noraini said it involved improving pedestrian walkways, landscaping, parking lot management and traffic circulation and would cost about RM1mil.



(From left) Noraini and Ng speaking to SS16 resident Mary Ong on improving infrastructure in the municipality. With them are SS15/2 and SS15/3 Residents Association chairman Michael Sundram (third from left) and Zulkurnain.



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Participants who made the Art Includes Festival 2019 a reality smiling for a group photo with Chan (seated fourth from right) and Nitesh (seated third from right).

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Arts fest with heroic mission

Event aims to raise RM500,000 to offer new courses for disabled

THE Art Includes Festival 2019, organised by SOS Missions Bhd, is on a mission to raise RM500,000 to fund various new courses for Dialogue Includes Academy students.

The ongoing festival, which features exhibitions, performances and a marketplace at Ruang by Think City, Kuala Lumpur, is being held to create awareness of differently-abled artists and to provide a platform for them to showcase their abilities, including music, performing arts and visual arts.

Dialogue Includes Academy has come up with five new courses for the disabled and those with special needs, namely Dance and Music School, School of Cooking, School of Blind Photography, School of Arts and Healing, and School of Barista Cafe.

SOS Missions founder Stevens Chan said, "We would like to start out with 11 trainees at the centre and 200 children under our learning education aid. Subsequently, it will potentially include many other special needs and disabled children to have upskill training in Malaysia.

"I believe learning is not merely about science or physics, as we can see from all the amazing artists in this showcase. They use the arts to fully extend their skills."

In establishing these lessons, the academy has plans to collaborate with some of the featured artists, such as Sristi KC, to show her moves in Music and Dance School, Noorhashimah Noordin, the mother of Wan Jamila Wan Shaiful Bahri (also known as arjamilia) to help out with the art classes and to



A visitor admiring Wan Jamilia's artwork titled 'Fish Mosaic in Oil and Plastic Polluted Sea'. — Photos: AZMAN GHANI/The Star



One of the exhibitors, Andi Miranti (left), attending to a visitor while showing his comic works.

share her journey as a caregiver, and Lim Chia-Chen to demonstrate coffee-making at School of Barista Cafe.

Currently, Dialogue Includes Academy offers four courses: School of Urban Farming, School of Telemarketing, School of Virtual Tuition and School of Dialogue Cafe.

Yayasan Usahawan Malaysia chairman Nitesh Malani, who

launched the festival, highlighted the significance of the event.

"This community requires mentorship, finances and assistance," said Nitesh.

"With this inaugural effort, the message is loud and clear — that the government of today must take note of this community more seriously because 500,000 of them is not a small population."

The seven-day festival will end

this Sunday, and the classes will take place thereafter.

The festival's fundraising activities included a three-day workshop and motivational seminar, as well as a dining in the dark experience.

Tonight, Concert In The Dark will feature three professional bands from Malaysia and Singapore performing in the dark. Tickets are priced at RM99 per person.

Among the other events in the

festival is the Open Inclusive Street Fiesta showcasing art, dance and music by disabled and abled performance artists at Medan Pasar tomorrow evening.

Meanwhile, *Riley's Rain*, a Singaporean sensory theatre production for children on the autism spectrum, will be staged tomorrow and on Sunday.

For tickets and details, visit www.artincludes.my