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# Traders worried about their livelihood

Taman Muda market sellers continue objection against approved entertainment centre

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AMPANG Jaya Municipal Council (MPAJ) has confirmed that the development project on Lot Pt 15215 along Jalan Bunga Tanjung 8B, Taman Muda, is being done in accordance to the MPAJ Local Draft Plan 2020.

According to a statement by the council, the land was privately owned by Newday Frontier Sdn Bhd and the single-storey commercial project was in line with the land purpose, which is "commercial and services".

"Developed by Star Club 28 Sdn Bhd, it will include a gymnasium, sports products exhibits, sports and shoe boutique, family entertainment hub and food court on the 0.57ha land.

"The application was approved on June 6 but the developer will need to adhere to several conditions, such as submitting a Traffic Impact Assessment, show there is ample parking lots and disabled-friendly facilities as well as their plans to upgrade Jalan Bunga Tanjung 8A," the statement said.

Despite the project being approved, Taman Muda morning market traders stood firm in their objection as they feared the traders would have no place to go should the Selangor government decide to relocate them.

Now operating at a temporary market along Jalan Bunga Tanjung



Construction workers have already started work at the site.

9, the traders were worried that they would have to be relocated to another place if the development project went through.

Taman Muda Selangor Hawkers and Traders Association chairman Chow Chee Keen said the association had repeatedly objected previous plans to develop the land other than a market.

"In January this year, we realised construction works had begun at the site, so, we complained to the area councillor Edmund Woon

and we managed to stop it.

"We became worried when excavators entered the site for construction work last month.

"After finding out about the project, we quickly called for a press conference last Monday and it was attended by Teratai assemblyman Tiew Wey Keng and Pandan MCA chief Datuk Leong Kok Wee," he said during a press conference called by Leong at a coffeshop opposite the site.

"There are about 500 stalls in

the market and without the land for market, the traders will be affected," said Chow.

Leong said he would still submit an objection letter to MPAJ on the issue.

"If MPAJ does not stop the project, we will bring the matter to state level.

"Although a notice board is placed at the site, it does not have any information on the objection period, so how will nearby stakeholders and businesses know

when they can object?" he said.

He added that there was no need for another family entertainment hub in Taman Muda.

"According to a report in a Chinese daily on April 2, there are 158 approved family entertainment centres in Selangor last year and 87 of them came from MPAJ.

Also present were Teratai Gerakan Public Complaints Bureau chief Ben Liew and Pandan Wanita MCA chief Datin Leong Siew Kam.



The notice of the project that was erected at the site.



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**TRADERS OPPOSED TO PROJECT**

## 'COUNCIL'S HANDS TIED'

**AMPANG JAYA:** Traders at the Taman Muda wet market here are appealing to the Ampang Jaya Municipal Council (MPAJ) to stop the development of an entertainment complex on land gazetted for a new wet market.

They said they had appealed to the local authority through the Hawkers and Small Traders Association but to no avail.

Association president Chow Chee Keen said: "According to the Ampang Jaya Municipal Council's 2012 plan, the land is supposed to be for a new wet market.

"The entertainment complex is unnecessary. I don't know why they approved it.

"It would not benefit people here. It would only contribute to social problems among youngsters," he told Actionline.

Pandan MCA chief Datuk Leong Kok Wee said he had gone to the area to have a look after receiving complaints from traders at the wet market.

"I was informed that the land is supposed to be for the development of a new wet market, which was promised by the local council."

He said work on the entertainment complex had been halted after the traders lodged a complaint with the council, but construction work soon resumed.

"They want to know why the local authority approved the project," said Leong, adding that they had submitted a complaint and objection letter to the council.

**ACTIONLINE:**

*Ampang Jaya Municipal Council public relations officer Norhayati Ahmad said: "We have received the letter but we cannot do anything because the land has belonged to a private landowner since 1980."*

*"That plot of land was never gazetted for a market."*

*"We advise the public to refer to MPAJ for clarification on the land ownership," she said.*

*The Ampang Jaya Municipal Council says this plot of land in Taman Muda is privately owned and not gazetted for a wet market. PIC BY YAZIT RAZALI*



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# Bawa suara peniaga, penduduk

Gerakan, MCA serah surat bantahan kepada MPAJ berhubung isu pembinaan kompleks perniagaan

PANDAN - Biro Aduan Gerakan Dun Teratai bersama MCA Bahagian Pandan menghantar surat bantahan kepada Majlis Perbandaran Ampang Jaya (MPAJ) berhubung projek pembinaan kompleks perniagaan di sini.

Timbalan Ketua Biro Perkhidmatan dan Aduan Awam Gerakan, Ben Liew Pok Boon berkata, pihaknya menerima aduan dan bantahan daripada para peniaga dan penduduk di Taman Muda berhubung pelaksanaan projek itu.

"Surat bantahan ini akan diserahkan kepada Yang Dipertua Majlis Perbandaran Ampang Jaya, Abd Hamid Hussain. Penduduk juga menolak cadangan premis hiburan keluarga diwujudkan di tapak ini setelah kompleks perniagaan itu siap," katanya.

Sementara itu, Ketua MCA Bahagian Pandan, Datuk Leong Kok Wee mendakwa pelan susun atur yang dikeluarkan oleh Jabatan Perancang Bandar, MPAJ pada 2012

di lot tapak itu adalah untuk pembinaan pasar baharu.

"Semua komponen penggunaan tanah ini sudah tertera di dalam pelan ini pada 2012," katanya.

Pengerusi Persatuan Penjaja dan Peniaga Kecil Taman Muda Selangor, Chow Chee Keen pula berkata, peniaga mahu pasar baharu yang lebih selesa.

"Kita dah tunggu lama kewujudan tapak pasar baru, namun sehingga kini tiada sebarang khabar berhubung projek ini. Kita banyak terima aduan kerana tapak pasar sedia ada menimbulkan kesesakan lalu lintas kerana ia berhampiran jalan utama," katanya.

Sementara itu, Pegawai Komunikasi Korporat MPAJ, Norhayati Ahmad berkata, tanah itu adalah milik individu yang didaftarkan pada 4 Februari 1980 dengan syarat nyata tanah adalah bangunan perniagaan.

"Semakan MPAJ mendapati cadangan pembangunan bagi aktivi-

**INFO** • Penduduk, peniaga juga tolak cadangan premis hiburan keluarga diwujudkan di tapak itu setelah kompleks perniagaan berkenaan siap

ti perniagaan juga adalah selaras dengan zon kegunaan tanah di dalam rancangan tempatan (pembaharuan 2) MPAJ 2020 iaitu perniagaan dan perkhidmatan.

"Pihak pemaju memohon membina sebuah kompleks perniagaan satu tingkat yang mengandungi ruang gimnasium, pameran alat-alatan sukan, butik kasut dan alat-alatan sukan, medan selera dan surau lelaki, perempuan serta pusat hiburan keluarga," katanya.

Beliau berkata, syarikat pemaju itu perlu mematuhi syarat-syarat kelulusan iaitu mengemukakan laporan kesan lalu lintas, menunjukkan tempat letak kereta sedia ada, mereka



Kok Wee (kiri) mendakwa pelan susun atur yang dikeluarkan oleh Jabatan Perancang Bandar, MPAJ pada 2012 di lot tapak itu adalah untuk pembinaan pasar baharu.

bentuk semula keperluan OKU dan menaik taraf jalan berhampiran.

"Papan Notis Pemberitahuan Pembangunan ini telah dipasang di tapak di mana tempoh bantahan itu adalah bermula pada 25 Julai lalu dan berakhir pada 7 Jun lalu, sepanjang tempoh itu, tiada bantahan

diterima.

"MPAJ ingin menegaskan bahawa tapak ini adalah milik persendirian yang mana syarat nyata adalah bangunan perniagaan dan pemilik mempunyai kuasa untuk membuat sebarang bentuk perniagaan di atas tapak miliknya," katanya.