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> MUHAMMAD FADHULLAH



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# 'Give us city services'

Residents want quality of life to improve to reflect MPSJ's new status

By BRENDA CH'NG and OH ING YEEN

AFTER a five-year wait, Subang Jaya is one step closer to becoming a city. This follows the green light from the Selangor government for the municipality to be upgraded to a city

the municipality to be upgraded to a city council 
"We have approved Subang Jaya Municipal 
Council's (MPS) application to become a city 
and we are now waiting for the Federal 
Government's approved, MPS will be upgraded to 
Subang Jaya City Council," said state local government, public transport and new village 
development committee chairman Ng Sze 
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Covering 16,180ha, MPSJ's administration covers Subang Jaya, Bandar Sunway, Putra Heights, Ser Kembangan, Seri Serdang, Puchong as well as parts of Balakong and Batu Tiga.

According to the Statistics Department, the population, within its jurisdiction was 798,830 expended within its jurisdiction was 798,830 expended to the state of th

Government's approval," said Ng.
He was speaking to reporters at an appreciation ceremony for local authorities in the state that achieved five stars for their performance last year. The event was held at the Selangor state secretariat in Shah Alam.
Ng said Kuala Selangor District Council (MDKS) had also submitted an application to be uggraded but it was not approved yet due to some improvements that still needed to be made.

made.
"We set very high standards for this and
MDKS actually met the basic requirements
but we want to see more, such as the financial status, for example, is not good enough
yet," he said before urging it to resubmit the
application next year.

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Seri Kembangan village security and development committee (IKKS) chairman Thong Kim Fatt viewed the news of MPSJ obtaining city status positively.

"If MPSJ can get city status, it means it has the necessary amenities and services.

"Hopefully the city status can benefit residents and we will get better services," he said.

Lake Edge Residents Association (RA) secretary Mariam Osman said MPSJ would first need to ensure its services reflected its new city status.

"I would like for MPSJ to have city status, but it needs to improve its services.
"We see less frequent waste collection and public cleaning and when we ask the contractors, they say it is due to budget cuts.

"What is the point of having city status if the council is incompetent in providing services can be contracted to the council is incompetent in providing services.

A bird's-eye view of MPSJ building and surrounding neighbourhoods. The municipal council's application to upgrade to city council has finally been approved by the Selangor government. — Filepic

vices to taxpayers?" she asked.

It was previously reported that residents were concerned about the possibility of higher assessment tax with the city status.

On this, Mariam said, "I would not mind paying a little more if it means improved services. We understand that labour cost has gone up and that MFS] has not increased its assessment tax in years."

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Ng (front row, fourth from left) with representatives from local councils in Selangor who received their five-star rating certificate. — RAJA FAISAL HISHAN/The Star

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