

If I were Mr. Paul Chan.....

Draft Thoughts for discussion

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1a. What the Political Opponents want?

- “Attack and Criticize” get attention and votes.
 - Many Hong Kong Citizens vote for outspoken Candidates.
- Many existing stake holders can hold on to their privileges.
 - Existing policies biased towards the Rich?
 - No change means perpetuate existing policy?
- If Government cannot perform, more disgruntle citizens will vote for Opposition.

1b. What the Political Opponents want?

- Some individuals or political parties learned that if they yell louder, they get attention.
- News Media will report and promote them.
 - They can then claim that they represent the majority.
- The new trend is having another group violently oppose.
 - Both get Media attention.
 - Is that good for Hong Kong (and Mr. Paul Chan)?

2. What the average Citizens want?

- First reaction is to follow the Media.
 - It is almost like watching live soap opera.
 - With Law, one is innocent until found guilty.
 - With Soap Opera, one is guilty by perception.
- Citizens have seen too many Officials depart at the slightest rumor or attack.
- Secretly, they hope to see someone who can show courage and integrity.

3. What the Visionaries want?

- Someone who can lay out an **inspiring** vision or a long term plan.
- The vision or plan may contain controversies.
- There should be departure from the established practices.
 - Right the Wrong?
- The vision can be enhanced with their own participation.
 - Share and Enrich the Dream?

4a. The Bold Plan

- With a Hong Kong Map, show all the potential areas of Housing and other Development.
 - Hong Kong no longer needs water catchment areas?
 - Are there any more coastal areas that can be turned to land?
- Cap the gain by the Speculators or the Opportunists.
 - Change the rules of the game?
 - Will this immediately catch attention and invite fierce opposition?
- Define how every Citizen can share in the High land/housing policy.
 - Link compulsory pension, housing and medical plans?

4b. The Bold Plan

- Separate Home Ownership and Investment
 - Help individuals or families to own ONE home?
 - Investors/Speculators compete for limited supply?
- Explain how the plan can:
 - Keep improving the living standard of all
 - Citizens can own home even if properties values are high
 - Avoid Negative Worth via price stability or controlled appreciation?

4c. The Bold Plan

- Border areas no longer need to be restricted.
- May turn that into an “International zone”
- Trade and other activities with China and the World are expected to increase greatly.
- Not only residential but also new Center of Commerce.
- Extensive use of Internet so that branch of Stock Exchange or Trading may happen.

4d. The Bold Plan

- The Three storey height limit for “Villagers” can be lifted.
- Not only “Villagers” have right to have home.
- Every Hong Kong Citizen will have home.
- Home Deposit Money can come from the linked “Compulsory Pension, Home and Medical” fund.
- **Explain Wealth creation in Hong Kong...**

4e. The Bold Plan

- Hong Kong can maintain and lead the World in prosperity if:
 - It can use Internet technology to achieve “super-democracy”
 - It continues to be a “shelter”
 - It remains and improves as an “International” city
- The Tie with China must be well maintained
 - Chinese Tourists will continue to be important
 - Quality of goods will sustain confidence

4f. The Bold Plan

- Hong Kong to have a Dream?
 - Dream will fit in with One World, One Dream.
- Hong Kong can lead the World?
- Knowledge and Education has no bounds.
 - Rules are made to be broken?
 - What works previously may not work now?
 - What works now may not work tomorrow?
- Can Hong Kong define a new Paradigm?

4e. The Bold Plan

- Is there a chance of a Citizenship exchange program with China?
 - Retired Hong Kong Citizens moving to China in exchange of Young Chinese coming?
 - Hong Kong help to fund such “Retirement Centers”?
 - Fund Medical and other facilities?
- Features and special programs to entice the retirees?
 - Food, Exercise, Entertainment Programs?
 - Free Computers and Internet facilities?
 - Inexpensive hotels for family member visits?

5a. The Overview Statements

- I, Paul Chan, came from a poor background.....
 - I struggled and endured hardships.....
 - A fighter will not retire if he has done no wrong.....
- I intend to serve.....
 - I have support from my colleagues and friends.....
 - I have support from my family.....
 - I have support from some citizens.....
- I know that there is Opposition.....
 - Some want to claim attention and votes.....
 - Some want to gain when Government is weak.....

5b. The Overview Statements

- Every one is encouraged to have a Dream.
 - The Dream may seem impossible.....
 - There is an American Dream.....
 - Martin Luther King wanted the Blacks to share that Dream.....
- I have a Hong Kong Dream.....
 - I want ALL to share and benefit from this dream.....
- Here is my Dream. Even if I were not the one to implement it.....

6a. Outline of the proposed actions

- Website to contain a preliminary long term “Paul Chan” Plan.
- Managed Discussion Forum to enrich the Plan.
- Have input from both selected committees and individuals.
- Participants will be able to show their “worth” and have a chance to “serve”
 - Some may be encouraged to have site-visits.....
 - Some may be invited to “serve”

6b. Outline of the proposed actions

- The Website can be a lead-in to “super democracy”.
 - The Loudest Voice claim that it represents majority.
 - If Every Voter can have one “test” vote, that can be true representation of their views.
- Government can interact directly with the Voters on key issues.
 - Hong Kong can Lead China and the World.

7a. Comments

- Can show seeds now.....
 - It does not matter whether the ideas are taken up now.
 - Great Ideas that changes the “rules of the game” are not likely to be implemented immediately.
- A Dream may not be realized by its Founder.
 - Martin Luther King never saw the Colored President Obama.
 - Mao never saw the prospering China of today.

7b. Comments

- The Dreamer is often not a good or the best implementer.
- The Dreamer often overlooks the day-to-day difficulties:
 - The Fanling Golf Course?
 - The rude opposition at Legislative Council?
 - The “confidential” lobbying of the “Privileged”?
 - Dealing with the News Media?
- (More to come)!