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Suggestions:

From Graveyards to Urns to Ashes Gardens

Instead of implementating of district-based niches development plans for urns, the Government should promote the spreading the Garden of Remembrance gray in all districts for the long term development of HK.

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(1) Free or discounted ashes burning services should be charged during the promotion period if people choose to put their ashes into Garden of Remembrance grays.

(2) Similar to graveyards, public urns can only be used for a certain period, say 20-30 years, after that ashes / urns will be transferred to Gardens for preservation.

(3) Gardens should be developed first, and then converted into ashes gardens in phases to encourage usage.

(4) Landfills will also be used for Garden.

(5) Lands for this purpose will be developed into extremely beautiful theme Gardens, like

洋紫荆, 宮粉羊蹄甲, 紅花羊蹄甲, 黃槐, 豬腸豆, 鳳凰木, 大葉紫薇. 紫薇, 火焰木, 黃槿. 木棉, 象牙花, gardens to encourage public use this facility.

(6) 24 hours CCTV / web cam services will be provided to encourage online worship via the web. Site visit is also encouraged.

(7) Name wall will be incorporated as part of the garden design (like memorial garden for the earthquake disasters in Tangshan - see the movie for reference).

(8) The promotion of Gardens via TV or other media should be similar to the promotion of luxurious apartments in HK.

(9) Government should only provide limited space for urns, instead, most space for human ashes should be used for Garden facilities.

(10) Charge a high price for government funded urns. Garden is free for HKID cardholders. People who choose to use columbarium services should rely on the private sector.

(9) No paper burning service is allowed in Garden.

(11) To accomodate as many human arhes as possible, the ashes may be deposited into caves of more than 8 meters.

Regards,

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