The government plans to tender one section of the waterfront promenade together with hotel sites at Kwun Tong harborfront. It believes doing so will “tap private sector design expertise, achieve seamless completion with hotel development, and potentially release the whole of the open space earlier for public enjoyment.”

But concern groups fear that it may end up as another Avenue of Stars. A major plan to upgrade the tourist attraction was practically dropped due to the threat of a court challenge. The fiasco was blamed on insufficient public consultation.

The government should, therefore, take the Avenue of Stars experience as - 前車之鑑” (qian2 che1 zhi1 jian4). “前” (qian2) means “front,” “the preceding,” “車” (che1) “a car,” “a vehicle,” “之” (zhi1) “that,” “those,” and “鑑” (jian4) “an exam-

Terms containing the character “車” (che1) include:

- 車輛 (che1 liang4) – a car, a vehicle
- 車站 (che1 zhan4) – a railroad or bus station
- 車禍 (che1 huo4) – a traffic accident
- 車公廟 (che1 gong1 miao4) – the Che Kung Temple