

Meeting Held for Building a Model of People's City in Yangpu Riverside

By Gao Liang

If you see Yangpu District as a bow, then the curves of the bow is the Binjiang coastline that stretches 15.5 kilometers. As the birthplace of the concept of People's City, how should Yangpu create a model of People's City out of the Binjiang area?

Recently, top experts of various fields had convened at the renovated Minghua Candy Factory at Binjiang, Yangpu, to hold conversations and discussions on what kind of cities we should build and how to build them. The convention also saw the formation of the first Experts' Team of Yangpu Binjiang Comprehensive Development Management Decision-making and Consultation Committee as well as the holding of its Decision-making and Consultation Meeting for 2021.

15 members of the first Decision-making and Consultation Experts' Team accepted their letters

of appointment on the meeting, including Zheng Shiling, academician of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, Xia Yu, lead researcher of the Shanghai Industry Transformation and Development, and Li Qi, Director of the Shanghai Municipal Reform, Innovation and Development Strategic Research Institute.

According to related information, the Decision-making and Consultation Committee is an organization responsible for decision-making and consultation affairs under the leadership of the Command of Yangpu Binjiang Comprehensive Development and Management Committee.

The 15 experts were divided, according to their expertise, into three groups: planning and construction, industrial development, and governance and management. The Decision-making and Consultation Committee was established for the better development and management of the Binjiang area of

Yangpu, in the spirit conveyed by President Xi Jinping that People's City should be built by People and for People, which further requires the district to benchmark against international standards and levels and leverage the expertise of multi-disciplinary experts in decision-making and consultation to improve the process of science-based decision-making.

On the day of the meeting, 15 experts in three groups of their expertise discussed new philosophies of urban development manifested in three topics: the plan of connecting the public space along the middle-to-north section of Binjiang coastline, industry development in the Binjiang area, and build Binjiang into a demonstration area of digital transformation. The meeting had generated a series of insightful, innovative and strategically forward-looking opinions and advice, which were to provide guidance on formulating strategies for Bin-

jiang's development and creating a model of People's City out of Binjiang.

New ideas were brought by Xia Yu, expert of the group of industrial development, on "how to build the Binjiang belt of industries with Yangpu features." The future of Binjiang in industrial development, on one hand, can leverage featured local industries to build a batch of new museums, said Xia.

Yangpu used to have watch factories, bicycle factories, Aquarium, and the earliest piano business in Shanghai, which will serve as historic ground for Yangpu to build piano museum, watch museum, bicycle museum, and even drinking water museum, as well as architectural design museum, skin-caring products museum. These industrial museums will become the source of certain merchants that will form a special consumers' market. And on another, the Binjiang area can also

become the home to a landmark theater or music hall, a number of large performance spaces, and hundreds of small-to-medium innovative spaces, as well as comprehensive stadiums for large E-sport competitions and shows, forming an industrial cluster of performances and competitions.

As introduced, The Binjiang area is an essential part in the comprehensive development plan of the banks of Huangpu River. The "Fourteenth Five-year Plan" of Yangpu District has highlighted the comprehensive development and management of the Binjiang area, which will grow to be a "major point" on the north bank of the Huangpu River that connects to the world through prosperous cultural industries, good governance, and solid underlying structures, and become the trump card for Yangpu's economic development, and further, a model of People's City in Shanghai, or even in China.



On December 18-19, Yangpu Riverside turned into a cross-country ski resort, sparking a flier battle on the snow. 2021-2022 FIS Cross-Country Skiing China Tournament Yangpu Shanghai was held here. FIS Cross-Country Skiing China Tournament is an A-type event hosted by the FIS, as well as Beijing Winter Olympics Point Competition. All buildings blending with centenary Yangpu's industrial memory created unique landscape of this event, and the snow track of Yangpu Riverside also shaped a new sports scenery route in Shanghai.

Photo by Wang Xiuyuan

"Couriers" under Round-the-clock Activation

By Mao Xinhui

On the battlefield against COVID-19 epidemic in Yangpu District, there is such a team, each one of which is a "courier", rushing day or night between quarantine site and designated hospital in this district.

As a sample transfer team comprising 12 members of District Center for Disease Control and Prevention, they undertake the work of counting, checking and transferring all samples throughout the district. Since the onset of COVID-19 epidemic, nucleic acid test samples must move from big streets and small alleys of Yangpu District to the laboratory via their hands in a safe and quick manner.

Due to specific nature of sample transfer, whether winter or summer, rain or shine, day or night, they are always wrapped in tight "big whites".

To facilitate suspected per-

sonnel samples quickly reaching urban and district disease control laboratory, transportation team delivers samples by relay. Transfer personnel must locate transportation process at all times, and coordinative personnel communicate with quarantine site and laboratory in real time, thereby ensuring utmost efficiency of transfer.

Sample transfer is more than point-to-point transportation of samples, but it also requires a fast, efficient and accurate check of collected samples, including personnel information, sample number, category, quantity, collection time, collection location, collection person and so forth. In case of discovering sample number error, discrepancy between sample quantity and sample receipt, or incorrect sample pick-up by a third-party company, "big whites" must deal with them promptly, without going awry anyway.

Yangpu to Add 659 New Affordable Rentals

By Zhang Yunyun

As Shanghai has begun to build a new batch of affordable rental housing, the 153 Block of Dinghai Road Sub-district at Yangpu District, as one of the sites of the housing project, has also begun its construction, which is expected to add 659 new affordable rentals to further meet people's demand for diversified housing.

The 153 Block housing proj-

ect is located at No 3400 of Changyang Road, neighboring major thoroughfares such as the central elevated highway and the North Driveway of Zhou Jia Zui Road, and only 400 meters from the Aiguo Road Station of Line 12, guaranteeing supporting facilities for living.

According to Yu Miao, person-in-charge of the project, the total construction area is 43,000 m², with a total investment of

RMB 750 million. Two residential buildings will be built, providing 659 affordable rental housing after their expected completion and use in 2024.

According to Chen Xiang, head of Affordable Housing Department of Yangpu Housing Management Bureau, in accordance with the Opinions on the Implementation of Accelerating the Development of Affordable Rental Housing in Shanghai, applicants

for affordable housing shall meet two entry requirements at the same time: firstly, applicants shall have legal employment in Shanghai; secondly, applicants have difficulties seeking housing in Shanghai, that is, average housing per person within certain areas in Shanghai is below 15 m².

In recent years, Yangpu has actively improved its affordable housing system and provided 5,691 public housing through building

new houses, match-building, renovation, and purchases. During the "Fourteenth Five-year Plan," Yangpu will guarantee the completion of affordable housing construction and collection, and provide targeted housing for targeted people to truly meet their living needs and improve the quality of their living, thus safeguarding the regional development, urban renewal and industry upgrading at Yangpu District.