

# Gazetting of KL Structure Plan postponed to gather more stakeholder input

**SHAH ALAM:** The gazetting of the Kuala Lumpur Structure Plan will be delayed until May 31 to allow more engagement with stakeholders.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said delaying the gazettelement after an eight-year process was to ensure that Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) had enough input from all parties, including politicians, companies, non-governmental organisations and other experts.

"I postponed (the gazetting of the plan). I was supposed to approve it this month, but I asked

for it to be postponed to allow more input from stakeholders based on the amendments.

"The amendments to the plan have been approved at the managerial-level in DBKL, but I have asked for the plan to be shared across all stakeholders, and I'm giving it until the end of May.

"This process has been about seven to eight years long, I don't wish to delay it further," he said after the launch of the "Kita-Untuk-Kita" programme at the Kampung Baru Hicom People's Housing Project here yesterday.

He also said mega projects in

Kuala Lumpur that were being developed by private companies on private land would not be disrupted.

Anwar said, however, the government's focus must be on generating economic growth, protecting green lungs, providing housing and comfort for the people, including having food stalls that were of "international standards".

Earlier in his speech, Anwar said he wanted Kuala Lumpur to be known for its cleanliness, and that he no longer wanted people to just be proud of its landmarks.

"I want to be proud of the beautiful parks in Kuala Lumpur. Small stalls that are beautiful and clean.

"We can spend billions of ringgit to build mega buildings.

"Can't we spend thousands to make our city clean and beautiful?"

Anwar later said he had chaired the presentation of the Kuala Lumpur Structural Plan 2040 (PSKL 2040) draft by the Federal Territories Department and DBKL.

He said the process of preparing the draft had been carried out

in an orderly manner during the session, in accordance with the Federal Territory (Planning) Act 1982.

"Even so, I had also taken into account those who had asked for the gazettelement of this document to be delayed to allow other stakeholders to express their views on Kuala Lumpur's city development plan.

"I believe this move will allow DBKL to hold sufficient engagement sessions with stakeholders to provide explanation and obtain feedback in on completing the PSKL 2040 gazette."