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Parliamentary Question No. 5

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Parliamentary Question asked by Mr. Joseph Hew, Elected Member for George Town North
To
The Honourable Johany Ebanks, Minister responsible for Planning, Agriculture, Housing and Infrastructure

QUESTION: Can the Hon. Minister state whether the 24.55 acres of property purchased for affordable housing in George Town (20E 213REM3) will be used for the purpose intended and if not has replacement property of similar size been found?

ANSWER: Madam- Speaker, the 24.5-acre property purchase is located off Halifax Road from the Linford Pierson Highway. Madam-Speaker, as many may have heard, the Government recognizes that this land previously identified for housing in George Town is also a key part of the drainage ecosystem for this area. As such, Madam-Speaker, the Government/NHDT will have to re-evaluate the site to determine the best options. Therefore, it is difficult to determine exactly how this site will be developed.

However, I assure this Honourable house that we recognize the importance of housing in the George Town area and will keep this house abreast of developments. In addition, Madam-Speaker, we are actively looking for additional lands that could be utilized and provide good value for money.