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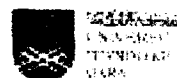
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5. Report

5.1 Proposed Executive Summary

The issues on climate change and global warming has received tremendous worldwide attention due to the occurrence of extreme weather and unprecedented climate events. Nowadays, almost all cities are sources of heat owing to the complexity of urban-designed structures with higher thermal admittance and anthropogenic heat. The conversion of natural landscape to a built, impervious landscape in urban area eventually caused Urban Heat Island (UHI) phenomenon. This can affect long-term environmental sustainability and resilience towards quality of life of urban dwellers in the future. Therefore, it is important to reduce these effects from further damaging the physical environment and life quality. This research is an attempt to study and investigate the potential of urban landscape approach to reduce UHI phenomenon. This is especially true for humid tropics where the abundance of natural vegetation can be utilised to provide thermal benefits. Specifically, the research objectives are i) to investigate the contributing factors and effects of Urban Heat Island phenomenon and ii) to propose strategies in urban landscape approach towards reducing UHI phenomenon. This research will involve site observation for temperature distribution study, extensive and systematic review of literature to outline the design strategies. The significance of this research is to contribute towards improving urban liveability and thermal comfort for urban community. Besides, this research is hope to guide the practitioners in landscape architecture discipline, policy makers and urban designers to incorporate sustainable landscape design approach for improving urban thermal comfort.

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