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Council meeting of 18 August 2021

Hon Vincent CHENG's motion on "Formulating sports policy and development blueprint over the coming decade"

Motion as amended by Hon MA Fung-kwok

That the Hong Kong, China delegation has achieved unprecedented results in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, all members of the public in Hong Kong are galvanized by and take pride in the performance of the participating athletes and their teams, and the community fully affirms the efforts of the sports community and hopes that the Government will actively support sports development in respect of policy and resources; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to study the establishment of a 'Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau' to coordinate the sports policy more effectively; on the existing basis, to formulate the sports policy and development blueprint over the coming decade and dovetail with the development trend of international sports by actively promoting the professionalization in areas such as sports management, sports science and sports medicine, so as to robustly drive further development of sports towards the current policy objectives of promoting sports in the community, supporting elite sports and developing Hong Kong into a centre for major international sports events; to conduct studies on the setting of industrialization of sports as a new policy objective to explore more resources and create more job opportunities for the sports community; to actively strive for Hong Kong's bid or joint bid with cities in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area to host major multi-sport games such as the National Games and the Asian Youth Games, as well as to make special continuous education arrangements for serving and retired athletes to foster their comprehensive development and care for the well-being of retired athletes by providing them with adequate support, thereby taking the overall development of sports in Hong Kong to new heights.