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**Council meeting of 23 January 2019**

**Motion on**  
**“Creating opportunities to assist small and medium enterprises and promoting upward mobility of young people”**

Hon Tony TSE has given notice to move the attached motion on “Creating opportunities to assist small and medium enterprises and promoting upward mobility of young people” at the Council meeting of 23 January 2019. The President has directed that it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

(Dora WAI)  
for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

**Motion on**  
**“Creating opportunities to assist small and medium enterprises and**  
**promoting upward mobility of young people”**  
**to be moved by Hon Tony TSE**  
**at the Council meeting of 23 January 2019**

**Wording of the Motion**

That this Council urges the Government to create opportunities to assist small and medium enterprises (‘SMEs’) and promote upward mobility of young people; specific measures are as follows:

- (1) reforming the procurement and tendering systems of the Government and public organizations, including attaching more importance to creative designs and innovative technology in evaluation, rather than only putting emphasis on the ‘lowest bid wins’ principle and imposing unnecessary requirements on the experience, qualifications and capital of tenderers; and splitting projects and service contracts as appropriate to avoid unnecessary bundled tender of multiple contracts, thereby reducing the monopoly by large enterprises and multinational groups, increasing local SMEs’, start-up enterprises’ and young professionals’ chances of tendering and success in bidding;
- (2) actively assisting local SMEs and young people to develop markets and seize the opportunities presented by the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (‘the Greater Bay Area’), including setting up more offices in the Greater Bay Area to facilitate the provision of more support to SMEs and young people who wish to seek development on the Mainland, and at the same time striving with the Mainland for more tax concessions and facilitating measures;
- (3) holding architectural design competitions for suitable small and medium public works projects and allowing winners to participate in the projects, and providing unsuccessful entrants whose works have reached a certain standard with reasonable design fees as encouragement;

- (4) raising the subsidy ceiling for the Continuing Education Fund and expanding the funding scope, and providing SMEs with staff training allowance to promote concurrent improvement of enterprises and staff;
- (5) providing young people with aspirations for starting their own business with free or low-rent shared offices on a time limited basis, and offering one-stop start-up support services; and
- (6) building a home ownership ladder with clearly defined levels to assist young families and young professionals with repayment ability yet unable to afford the high rate of down payment in acquiring their first property, thereby helping them to move upward.