

Finance Committee

Proposed options for dealing with motion(s) proposed by member(s) under paragraph 19 of the Finance Committee Procedure ("FCP") in relation to agenda item FCR(2019-20)33

	Option A (with reference to the "FCP 37A" procedure)	Option B (with reference to the "FCP 21" procedure)^{Note}	Option C (Special meeting(s) to be held to formulate a "handling procedure")
Scope of application	Applicable only to item FCR(2019-20)33. The Chairman has instructed the Secretariat to examine the issue with a view to enabling the Finance Committee ("FC") to expeditiously formulate a specific procedure to deal with FCP 19 motions.		Applicable to item FCR(2019-20)33 and the financial proposals to be presented in future.
Notice requirement	The Chairman will specify a deadline for presenting proposed motions so that members intending to propose FCP 19 motions will have reasonable time to propose his/her motions. (According to the procedure under FCP 37A, while a member may propose a motion without notice, the Chairman may specify a deadline for presenting the motion. The aforesaid arrangement is an enhanced arrangement put forth by the Chairman.)	Not less than two clear days*	To be formulated

^{Note} This refers to the procedure for dealing with motions proposed by members under paragraph 21 of the Finance Committee Procedure in respect of matters which are dependent on a certain agenda item and are within the powers of the Finance Committee to decide under the Public Finance Ordinance.

	Option A (with reference to the "FCP 37A" procedure)	Option B (with reference to the "FCP 21" procedure)^{Note}	Option C (Special meeting(s) to be held to formulate a "handling procedure")
To be presented in written form	Must be presented in written form (Please refer to the format as set out in the Annex)	Must be presented in written form (Please refer to the format as set out in the Annex)	To be formulated
Limitation on the number of motions	With reference to the practice adopted for dealing with FCP 37A motions, each member may move one motion under each agenda item.	No limitation, which is consistent with the practice adopted for dealing with FCP 21 motions.	To be formulated
Chairman's ruling	The motion must be directly related to the agenda item. With reference to the practice adopted for dealing with FCP 37A motions, the Chairman will not seek the Government's views before making his ruling on FCP 19 motions.	After a member has proposed an FCP 19 motion, the Chairman will, with reference to the practice adopted for dealing with FCP 21 motions, rule whether the motion is in order. Prior to the making of his ruling, the Chairman will seek the Government's views in this regard and allow the member proposing the motion to respond to the Government's views.	To be formulated

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<p>To be proceeded with only with the Committee's agreement</p>	<p>A motion will be proceeded with only with the Committee's agreement. The Chairman will allow the Committee to have a debate on whether such a motion should be proceeded with before a vote is taken. The debate arrangements and time limits will be determined by the Chairman.</p> <p>(According to the procedure under FCP 37A, no debate shall take place to ascertain if the Committee agrees to proceed with such a motion. The aforesaid arrangement is an enhanced arrangement put forth by the Chairman)</p>	<p>A motion can be proceeded with without having to obtain the Committee's agreement.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">To be formulated</p>

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<p>Amendable or not</p>	<p>With reference to the practice adopted for dealing with FCP 37A motions, no amendment shall be proposed to an FCP 19 motion.</p>	<p>No amendment shall be proposed.</p> <p>(The existing FCP is silent on whether amendments can be proposed to an FCP 21 motion. Given that the notice requirement is set at not less than two clear days, it follows that the notice requirement for proposing amendments will definitely be shorter than two clear days. The Chairman therefore considers it impracticable to allow amendments to be proposed to such motions.)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">To be formulated</p>
<p>Debate and voting arrangements</p>	<p>To be decided by the Chairman. With reference to the practice adopted for dealing with FCP 37A motions, once the Committee agrees to proceed with an FCP 19 motion, a debate on that motion will be held forthwith. Only after that motion has been voted on will the Committee continue to vote on whether other motions should be proceeded with.</p>	<p>To be decided by the Chairman. The Chairman will make arrangements for a joint debate to be held on all FCP 19 motions that are proposed under the same agenda item and are ruled to be in order, to be followed by voting on such motions one by one.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">To be formulated</p>

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Speaking time limit during debate	To be decided by the Chairman. With reference to the practice adopted for dealing with FCP 37A motions, each member may speak on each FCP 19 motion for three minutes, and the mover of the motion may speak again in reply for one minute.	To be decided by the Chairman. When FC dealt with an FCP 21 motion [@] at the meeting held on 23 June 2017, each member was allowed to speak for three minutes, and the mover of the motion might speak again in reply for three minutes. With reference to the practice adopted by FC at the aforesaid meeting, the Chairman will, having regard to the number of FCP 19 motions, determine the speaking time limit.	To be formulated

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<p>How the adoption of the option will affect the scrutiny of item FCR(2019-20)33</p>	<p>Depending on other circumstances, such as the number of FCP 19 motions, FC may be able to vote on item FCR(2019-20)33 at the meeting on the same day.</p>	<p>In view of the notice requirement under this option, the earliest meeting at which FC may deal with FCP 19 motions is the next meeting. It follows that the earliest meeting at which FC may complete its scrutiny of and voting on item FCR(2019-20)33 is the next meeting.</p>	<p>Given that FC has to convene special meeting(s) to discuss the procedure for handling FCP 19 motions, FC can only resume its scrutiny of item FCR(2019-20)33 after it has formulated the relevant procedure. In order not to delay FC's scrutiny of other items, it may be necessary for FC to adjourn the discussion on this item.</p>

* The Chairman will not consider fresh notice of such motions if the relevant agenda item is carried over to other meeting day(s). [Paragraph 14(c) of LC Paper No. [FC129/16-17\(01\)](#) refers]

@ The motion was proposed by the Honourable CHU Hoi-dick in relation to agenda item FCR(2017-18)14 (Kai Tak Sports Park). So far, the said motion was the only FCP 21 motion ruled to be in order by the Chairman.

Template of "FCP 19" motions for members' reference

Finance Committee

**Motion under Rule 80(a) of the Rules of Procedure of the Legislative Council
and paragraph 19 of the Finance Committee Procedure
to be moved by Hon (Name of Member)**

Wording of the Motion

That, in relation to this Committee's examination of the financial proposal in the agenda item FCR (2019-20)33, this Committee, under the powers conferred upon this Committee by section 9(1) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382), summons (post title(s) of Government official(s)/name(s) of person(s)) to attend before this Committee to testify or give evidence in respect of the following matters relating to the financial proposal in the aforesaid agenda item, and to produce all relevant papers, books, records or documents:

(Please set out in detail the matters in respect of which the Government official(s)/person(s) is/are summoned to testify and give evidence)