2019 District Council Ordinary Election Points to Note for Submission of Nomination Forms

- 1. Nomination form is available free of charge at the District Offices, or the offices of the Registration and Electoral Office ("REO") at 10/F, Harbour Centre, 25 Harbour Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong or Unit 2301-03, 23/F, Millennium City 6, 392 Kwun Tong Road, Kwun Tong, Kowloon. It can also be downloaded from the REO's website (www.reo.gov.hk).
- 2. The nomination period will run from 4 October 2019 until 17 October 2019 (both days inclusive), and the Returning Officer ("RO") will receive nominations between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. from Mondays to Fridays and between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Saturdays (except public holidays). Candidate must submit his/her nomination form within the nomination period. Late submission will not be accepted.
- 3. Candidate must submit his/her nomination form in person to the RO for the relevant constituency. If a candidate cannot submit the nomination form in person (e.g. because of the candidate's temporary absence from Hong Kong or incapacity due to illness), he/she must obtain the Chief Electoral Officer's authorisation to submit the nomination form by an authorised representative. The application shall clearly state the name of the candidate and the constituency concerned, the reason for not being able to submit the nomination form in person (with documentary proof if available), and the full name and Hong Kong Identity Card number of the proposed authorised representative (as shown on the Hong Kong Identity Card). The application should be submitted to the Chief Electoral Officer by fax (fax no.: 2503 9062) or e-mail to "nomination@reo.gov.hk". Upon receipt of the application, REO will process the application and reply to the candidate as soon as possible.
- 4. Candidate is strongly advised to submit his/her nomination form as early as practicable so that any mistakes found in his/her nomination form can be rectified before the end of the nomination period.
- 5. Due to limited space in the RO's office, each candidate shall only be accompanied by <u>one companion</u> during submission of the nomination form.
- 6. In the course of accepting a nomination form by the RO, all persons present at or entering the RO's office must **observe the following rules** and follow the instructions of the RO or his/her authorised officers:
 - (a) To ensure public safety at the RO's office, no person shall bring into, use or display in the RO's office any article which RO or his/her authorised officers considers that may cause nuisance, inconvenience, disturbance, interference, obstruction or danger to other persons (including but not limited to, luggage, loudhailers, sound emitting objects) or publicity materials of any kind (including banners, bunting flyers).
 - (b) Shouting, yelling or any activities that would cause nuisance to other parties are prohibited in the RO's office.
 - (c) Smoking, eating, drinking, photo-taking, sound/video-recording and live/relay broadcast are prohibited in the RO's office.
 - (d) Persons entering or present at the office shall not deliberately cause obstruction at points of entry or exit, nor shall they impede, obstruct or detrimentally affect the flow of pedestrians or traffic outside the office.
 - (e) Found property will be handled by security staff, officials or the Police without further notice.
 - (f) Should there be any imminent threat of a breach of the peace and / or any act contrary to the Laws of Hong Kong, enforcement action may be taken by the Police as they see fit.
- 7. RO or his/her authorised officers shall ask any person, who does not observe the aforesaid rules or follow the instructions of the RO or his/her authorised officers, to leave the RO's office immediately.
- 8. The RO and/or REO hereby reserve(s) the right to amend these "Points to Note" any time as he/she/it sees appropriate.
- 9. For enquiries, please call the REO hotline on 2891 1001.

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