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**Notice of the General Office of Yuexiu District Government of
Guangzhou Municipality on the Issuance of the *Measures of
Yuexiu District for COVID-19 Containment and Achievement of
Annual Economic and Social Development Targets***

To all subdistrict offices, and departments and direct subordinate agencies of the District Government:

With the approval of the Yuexiu District CPC Committee and District Government, these *Measures of Yuexiu District for COVID-19 Containment and Achievement of Annual Economic and Social Development Targets* are hereby issued for your due implementation in conjunction with prevailing actualities. Problems encountered during the course of implementation should be reported to the District Development and Reform Bureau.

General Office of Yuexiu District Government of Guangzhou Municipality
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Measures of Yuexiu District for Covid-19 Containment and Achievement of Annual Economic and Social Development Targets

To comprehensively put into practice the guiding principles from General Secretary Xi Jinping's major addresses and directives, and implement arrangements made by the central, provincial and municipal governments, pursuant to the *Guiding Principles of Guangzhou Municipal CPC Committee and Guangzhou Municipal People's Government on the Implementation of the "Measures for Coordinating and Advancing Covid-19 Containment and Socioeconomic Development Work" issued by Guangdong Provincial CPC Committee and Guangdong Provincial People's Government* (Sui Zi [2020] No. 2), the following measures are hereby enacted to 1) drive reform and development while controlling the epidemic to minimize its impact and promote high-quality economic development, striving for victory in both epidemic prevention and achievement of annual economic and social development goals; 2) improve the city governance system and modernize the governance capacity to make Guangzhou a core engine that boosts the development of Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA); and 3) accelerate the revitalization of the old city and "make breakthroughs in four aspects (new urban functions, comprehensive strength of urban culture, modern service industries, and a modern and international business environment)".

I. Fully Guaranteeing the Availability of Medical Supplies

1. Helping enterprises producing Covid-19 containment supplies to expand or switch production. Enterprises that have expanded, switched to, or adopted new technology for the production of emergency supplies for Covid-19 containment such as face masks, protective gowns, goggles, thermometers, virus testing supplies, disinfectants, medicines and urgently needed medical equipment from January 10 to March 31, 2020 will be provided with a subsidy of 50% of the total cost of newly purchased equipment, up to a maximum of CNY 300,000. Close attention will be paid to addressing shortages in raw materials and production equipment facing these enterprises and urging local enterprises to boost technological research to achieve breakthroughs in manufacturing of key equipment and production of raw materials as soon as possible. **(Led by District Bureau of Science, Industry & Information Technology)**

Enterprises designated by the District Government to purchase and store such materials may dispose of surplus materials in accordance with regulations on government reserves after the end of Covid-19 response measures. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau)**

2. Establishing expedited channels for Covid-19 containment supplies procured from outside mainland China. In accordance with relevant national regulations, where fiscal funds are used to procure emergency supplies, projects and services for Covid-19 containment from outside mainland China during the Covid-19 containment period, such purchases will not require administrative approval. **(Led by District Bureau of Finance)**

3. Ensuring the supply and stabilizing the prices of basic necessities. Efforts will be made to ensure the supply of basic necessities such as rice, vegetables and fruit, promote

the orderly reopening of meat and vegetable markets and supermarket chains, and monitor market prices and the supply and demand situation. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau; District Bureau of Commerce)**

The VAT exemption policy will be implemented for the circulation of vegetables, fresh meat, and eggs. **(Led by District Tax Service)**

Enterprises specializing in wholesale and retail, catering, logistics, and refrigerated storage that have made significant contributions to ensuring adequate market supply will receive increased support from relevant district funds and be duly commended in public announcements. **(Led by District Bureau of Commerce)**

Illegal activities such as speculative hoarding and price gouging will be thoroughly investigated and subject to heavy penalties. **(Led by District Bureau of Market Regulation)**

Efforts will be made to support the distribution of temporary price subsidies to low-income residents. **(Led by District Bureau of Civil Affairs)**

Efforts will be made to support the distribution of performance subsidies for the members of the product price control project library. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau)**

II. Promoting the Full and Orderly Resumption of Work and Production

4. Promoting targeted resumption of work and production by level. Instructions will be given to enterprises, guiding them to strengthen science-based Covid-19 precautions, prepare and improve measures and emergency plans for Covid-19 response, and conduct proper screening and health management for employees returning to work in accordance with relevant regulations. For SMEs that are unable to provide isolation areas, a centralized isolation facility will be arranged. Active efforts will be made to assist enterprises in clearing obstacles that prevent employees, especially professional and technical staff, by coordinating work arrangements for enterprises in key industrial parks, functional areas, and commercial buildings, such as staggered work hours, staggered mealtimes, and remote working, to minimize the number of employees exposed at the workplace. **(Led by Subdistrict Offices)**

5. Ensuring the availability of key production factors. Greater support will be provided to enterprises in the District that are short of the funds needed to purchase the equipment needed to safely resume work and production. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau)**

Efforts will be made to provide better services to enterprises and give full play to the role of industry associations and industry alliances, so as to timely address any problems related to raw materials, parts, equipment, labor, and funds, and facilitate the orderly connection of supply chains and coordinated operations of industrial chains. **(Led by District Bureau of Science, Industry & Information Technology)**

6. Strengthening unified scheduling services for the resumption of work and production. *Yue Qi Kang*, an information platform that provides services to encourage the resumption of work and production by enterprises, has been established to collect information on progress in resuming work and production and problems requiring coordinated government action through electronic means without requiring forms to be filled out. Information is then immediately referred to competent authorities, which are required to provide solutions within a specified time limit. **(Led by District Government)**

Affairs Data Administration)

Competent authorities may keep track of the latest developments in their respective areas of responsibility through the information platform and timely mobilize resources to provide targeted assistance to enterprises. **(Led by relevant authorities overseeing the relevant industries)**

7. Making better use of the resources of the state-owned asset system. While ensuring the efficacy of Covid-19 containment measures, SOEs under the District must take the lead in resuming work and production, which will be included in annual performance appraisals. Support for SMEs will be strengthened. For SMEs unable to meet their contractual obligations due to the epidemic, contractual performance period may be extended as appropriate. SOEs shall make payments to SMEs and private enterprises in full per contractual terms to avoid any new arrears. Efforts will be made to ensure SOEs play a stronger role in driving investment. Greater efforts will be made to address problems related to emerging industries, technological innovation, infrastructure, and public services. **(Led by District Bureau of Finance (District Bureau of State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration))**

III. Strengthening All-Round Support for Enterprises

8. Increasing financial support. National policies for preferential loan facilities will be used to help more enterprises vital to Covid-19 containment receive national policy funding support. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau; District Bureau of Science, Industry & Information Technology; District Financial Supervisory Authority)**

The District will establish an emergency on-lending system based on market mechanisms to support banks in providing more loan renewals for micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) to address corporate cashflow difficulties. **(Led by District Financial Supervisory Authority)**

Financial institutions will be encouraged to provide credit support for affected MSMEs that are in line with the direction of industrial development in the District, ensuring that their credit balance in 2020 will not be less than that in the same period in 2019. For MSMEs that have been severely impacted by the Covid-19 epidemic, as well as promising MSMEs facing temporary difficulties, financial institutions are not allowed to call back loans in advance, cut off loans or delay the disbursement of loans without proper reason. Where a financial institution within the District's jurisdiction disburses new loans to such affected MSMEs between February 1 and June 30, 2020, a subsidy of up to 50% of the loan interest will be provided, subject to a maximum of CNY 50,000 per institution. Financial institutions are encouraged to reduce cost rates, and actively increase credit supply to MSMEs through supply chain finance, commercial factoring, mortgaging and pledging of accounts receivable, and pledging of intellectual property to ensure that the overall financing cost of operating loans to small- and micro-sized enterprises and individuals in the first half of 2020 is lower than that in the same period in 2019. Insurance institutions within the District's jurisdiction are encouraged to provide loan insurance for affected MSMEs that are in line with the direction of industrial development in the District. Where an insurance institution within the District's jurisdiction assists such affected MSMEs in obtaining loans from banks or microfinance companies between February 1 and June 30, 2020, a subsidy of up to 50% of the loan risks incurred by the insurance institution will be provided, subject to a maximum of CNY 50,000 per institution. Coordinated efforts will be

made to ensure insurance companies prioritize the settlement of claims from clients infected with Covid-19 or affected by the epidemic by streamlining claims settlement procedures, expanding the scope of coverage as appropriate, easing the restrictions of insurance terms, in order to ensure all due compensations are paid out. **(Led by District Financial Supervisory Authority)**

9. Further cutting taxes and fees. For taxpayers affected by the epidemic that regularly pay taxes in a fixed amount, relevant authorities will streamline procedures for temporarily suspending business operations or appropriately lower their payable taxes based on the actual situation. From March 1 to May 31, 2020, the VAT rate for small taxpayers will be reduced from 3% to 1%. Enterprises facing difficulties in production and operation that are eligible for tax deferrals may apply to relevant taxation authorities for a deferral not exceeding 3 months. Enterprises facing difficulties in paying real estate taxes or urban land use taxes due to the epidemic may be exempted from paying such taxes from January to March 2020. Those that require further support, as defined by relevant policies, as well as enterprises that have contributed to Covid-19 containment, may apply to relevant tax authorities for property tax and urban land use tax reliefs after the exemption period expires. Tax- and fee-related issues will be resolved on a case-by-case basis. Priority will be given to accelerating VAT refunds. **(Led by District Tax Service)**

10. Reducing rent burdens on enterprises and individuals. For MSMEs (including individual industrial and commercial proprietors) that lease premises belonging to SOEs, government agencies or public institutions for the purpose of operating brick-and-mortar stores, rent in February and March will be waived, while rent in April and May may be reduced by half, depending on the impact of Covid-19 on the lessees. Rental waived or lowered by SOEs will be treated as profit in their annual operating performance assessments. **(Led by District Bureau of Finance (District Bureau of State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration))**

Collectives, non-state-owned enterprises and individuals will be encouraged and supported in waiving or lowering rent for MSMEs leasing their properties for the purpose of operating brick-and-mortar stores, or allowing lessees to defer payments or make payments in installments. Those performing well in this regard may apply for waivers or deductions in property taxes and urban land use taxes, as well as receive greater support in boosting quality and efficiency and in professional certification. **(Led by District Tax Service, related district authorities, and subdistrict offices)**

For entities and individuals that rent public rental housing at the municipal or district level, public housing directly under housing authorities, and housing for talents, rent in February and March will be waived, while rent in April and May may be reduced by half depending on the epidemic situation. **(Led by District Bureau of Housing Management; District Bureau of Finance)**

11. Fully guaranteeing stable employment by enterprises. Enterprises affected by Covid-19 that face difficulties in production and operation will be provided with support to help them retain employees through flexible employment arrangements. For eligible employers that have realized zero or minimal layoff of employees, 50% of their unemployment insurance premiums paid in the previous year will be refunded. For companies participating in the unemployment insurance system that face temporary difficulties in production and operations but are expected to recover, and that have realized zero or minimal layoff of employees, the refund may be calculated based on the local

monthly unemployment insurance premiums per capita and the number of insured employees for 6 months, or amount to 50% of the social insurance premiums payable by the employer and its employees for 6 months. **(Led by District Bureau of Human Resources and Social Security)**

12. Giving full play to the guiding and leading role of fiscal funds. Special fiscal funds and green channels will be arranged for Covid-19 containment, purchase of equipment and supplies, temporary subsidies for response personnel, and incentives for various enterprises and financial institutions that support MSMEs. Government procurement will be increased to support the development of SMEs. Procuring departments are encouraged to pay in advance part of the contract price to bid-winning suppliers. **(Led by District Bureau of Finance)**

13. Strengthening legal services. Covid-19-related legal services will be strengthened by providing non-profit legal consultation services for SMEs to help them address legal issues such as contract performance caused by the epidemic. **(Led by District Bureau of Justice)**

Enterprises that are temporarily uncontactable due to the epidemic may be temporarily excluded from the list of enterprises with abnormal operations for the moment. **(Led by District Bureau of Market Regulation)**

Enterprises that may have been recorded as having engaged in bad faith as a result of the epidemic may be temporarily excluded from the list of joint punitive action with the consent of the involved party (parties). A green channel for credit restoration based on administrative penalty information during the Covid-19 containment period will be established to speed up the credit restoration process for enterprises key to fighting the epidemic. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau)**

IV. Enhancing Project Development and Increasing Investment in Underdeveloped Sectors

14. Promoting the full resumption and kick-off of key projects. The “Siege” action (tackling problems and making breakthroughs) for key projects will be strongly promoted by assigning district leaders to specific key projects. In case of increased fiscal investment or changes to contracts due to the epidemic, such increases or changes may be included in total project investment, and administrative approval procedures (if any) will be streamlined. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau; District Bureau of Construction and Water Affairs; District Bureau of Finance)**

Efforts will be made to resume all projects under construction by the end of March. The District will fully support the commencement of new projects, striving to kick off two or more projects in the first quarter, six or more by the end of June, and all by the end of September; start the construction of a batch of projects ahead of schedule if possible; and plan a batch of new key projects. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau)**

15. Fully guaranteeing the conditions for project implementation. Relevant municipal departments will be coordinated to enhance land transfer and improve land supply methods. Land for key construction projects in the District will be prioritized and guaranteed to achieve targeted land supply. **(Led by District Planning and Natural Resources Sub-Bureau)**

The District Government will speed up the implementation of its emergency measures for investment in 2020, ensuring that funds and production factors accompany project

progress. **(Led by District Bureau of Finance)**

Interconnectivity between industry and finance will be strengthened by using special local government bonds for project development, encouraging more eligible companies to issue corporate bonds, and encouraging financial institutions to issue more “Covid-19 containment bonds”. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau; District Bureau of Finance; District Financial Supervisory Authority)**

Construction of key projects will be further supported by setting up a green channel for transporting dug soil from construction sites. **(Led by Yuexiu Traffic Police Brigade; District Urban Administrative and Law Enforcement Bureau)**

Main responsibilities for land acquisition and resettlement at the district level will be clarified and allocated to ensure that project construction sites are handed over as planned. **(Led by District Bureau of Construction and Water Affairs; Subdistrict Offices)**

16. Speeding up the pre-construction work of projects. Efforts will be made to optimize administrative approvals for investment projects by fully promoting online project approval, conducting project technical reviews through online video conferences and similar means, and handling matters related to Covid-19 containment that require urgent administrative approval on a case-by-case basis upon receipt. Greater support will be provided to give project approval to applicants that have not yet but promised to provide required materials of lesser importance, that have promised to provide the materials requested by the authorities, and that are trusted. Green channels will be set up for the examination and approval of key projects to provide dedicated guidance, comprehensive services, parallel review and approval, and concurrent license issuance. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau; District Bureau of Construction and Water Affairs; District Planning and Natural Resources Sub-Bureau; District Government Affairs Data Administration)**

17. Planning to boost the development of projects in underdeveloped sectors. Based upon the key projects specified in this year’s “Siege” action, the mechanism for planning and initiating key projects will be improved to plan and reserve a number of major platforms and projects in underdeveloped sectors such as healthcare, logistics, and environmental development. Efforts will be made to promote increased non-governmental investment and foreign investment by encouraging competent private enterprises to participate in the development and construction of industrial parks. Government resources will be revitalized and innovative channels for investment and financing in domains such as the development of smart cities will be introduced. Channels for the investment of private capital in the development of relevant projects will be specified to galvanize market players. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau; District Bureau of Science, Industry & Information Technology; District Bureau of Health; District Bureau of Finance; District Financial Supervisory Authority)**

18. Stepping up efforts to attract new talents, technologies and capital. Preferential individual income tax policies for the Greater Bay Area will be fully implemented. **(Led by District Tax Service)**

The *Foreign Investment Law of the People's Republic of China* will be fully implemented to build a full ecosystem of services for foreign investment. A high-end platform for government-enterprise communication will be established to host regular panel discussions for Fortune Global 500 companies to support the continuous and rapid development of these companies and other large multinational corporations in the District.

(Led by District Bureau of Commerce)

Green channels will be set up for the processing of District key industry investment projects at district government service centers and relevant departments. If the announced processing time for regular projects is more than one day, that for key projects will be halved. **(Led by District Government Affairs Data Administration; competent authorities)**

V. Boosting the Scale and Quality of Consumption

19. Reopening of the cultural, tourism and sports industries. Measures for the post-Covid-19 development of the cultural, tourism and sports industries will be introduced. The District will seek funds from the municipal government to support the development of key cultural tourism enterprises and parks affected by the epidemic, as well as seek special funds from the municipal government to support major cultural tourism events, special performances for the public and new forms of cultural tourism during the post-Covid-19 period. The District will also participate in the Guangzhou Cultural Tourism Consumer Season and issue Guangzhou Cultural Tourism Consumer Coupons. Rewards will be given to cultural, tourism and sports enterprises such as scenic spots, hotels, travel agencies, and sports venues that have made significant contributions to the post-Covid-19 recovery of the cultural tourism market. Increased support will be provided for key industries such as animation and games, e-sports, music, performing arts, film and television production, conferences and exhibitions, cultural and creativity, health tourism, and sports consumption. Efforts will be made to accelerate the development of key cultural tourism and sports projects and characteristic neighborhoods to drive the comprehensive recovery and the high-quality development of the cultural, tourism and sports industries. **(Led by District Bureau of Culture, Radio, Television, Tourism and Sports; District Bureau of Commerce; District Bureau of Finance)**

20. Vigorously developing new forms and models of business. Eligible commercial and trade enterprises are encouraged to set foot in online retail and cross-border e-commerce, and develop new joint online and offline marketing campaigns. New retail platforms such as fresh food e-commerce and convenience stores in communities are supported to develop and grow into chain convenience stores. **(Led by District Bureau of Commerce)**

Vigorous efforts will be made to promote fashion consumption by developing the “first-store economy”, promoting the clustering of international brands, and developing “must-see attractions”. **(Led by District Bureau of Commerce)**

The District will develop and expand nightlife economic clusters in Beijing Road, Huanshidong Road, Yanjiang Road, and Xinhepu, improve supporting services and management, and diversify the products and services supplied to build the “Yuexiu Nightlife” brand. **(Led by District Bureau of Commerce; District Financial Supervisory Authority; Core Zone Administrative Committee)**

VI. Effectively Stabilizing Foreign Trade

21. Increasing support for enterprises engaging in foreign trade. The catalog of overseas exhibitions prepared by the municipal government will be duly implemented. Enterprises participating in exhibitions in the catalog and those at provincial, municipal and district levels will be guided to apply for funds from the central, provincial or municipal governments. **(Led**

by District Bureau of Commerce)

Service trade promotion policies will be made good use of to vigorously develop service trade such as business process outsourcing, knowledge process outsourcing and digital trade, so as to accelerate the construction of a free service trade demonstration zone in GBA. **(Led by District Bureau of Commerce)**

Export tax rebate service will be further optimized, allowing foreign trade enterprises to declare tax rebate several times a month. **(Led by District Tax Service)**

The District will assist companies producing anti-epidemic supplies in actively expanding the international market during the post-COVID-19 period, guiding them to comply with international standards and accelerate the shift from domestic sales to export. **(Led by District Bureau of Commerce; District Bureau of Science, Industry & Information Technology; District Bureau of Market Regulation)**

22. Reducing the operating risks of foreign trade enterprises. For companies that purchase “special export credit insurance for small- and micro-sized enterprises” and “special export credit insurance for medium-sized enterprises”, full coverage will be ensured. For companies that purchase “short-term export credit insurance” and carry out export business, support will be provided to strengthen their cooperation with SINOSURE Guangdong Branch and tailor export credit insurance plans for such companies. Online customer service will be strengthened by setting up a green channel for loss assessment and compensation, easing claims conditions as appropriate, and giving priority to handling insurance claims for export enterprises affected by the epidemic. If companies settling payments via letter-of-credit are affected by the epidemic and have a great burden of repayment, they may apply to banks for a moderate extension of the negotiation deadline under the LOC without affecting their credit rating. **(Led by District Bureau of Commerce; District Financial Supervisory Authority)**

VII. Paying Close Attention to the Development of Key Industries

23. Becoming a new frontrunner in the development of the healthcare industry. Greater efforts will be made to commercialize achievements in healthcare research and accelerate the development of public healthcare service platforms. Relying on platforms such as the Intellectual Property Transfer and Transformation Center (healthcare base) of Sun Yat-sen University, the District will promote the local commercialization of achievements in healthcare research made by teams of academicians and Pearl River scholars, and clear remaining obstacles hindering collaboration between industry, universities and research institutions. Efforts will be made to upgrade and build demonstration industrial parks. By working with industrial platforms such as the Guangdong Medicine Exchange, the District will accelerate the introduction of leading companies in the fields of medical equipment logistics, healthcare big data, smart health and retirement, and support the development of science and technology parks like China Plaza into clusters of high-quality healthcare enterprises. Efforts will be made to accelerate the upgrading and transformation projects of the First Affiliated Hospital of Sun Yat-sen University, the North Campus of Sun Yat-sen University, Guangdong Provincial People’s Hospital, and the First Affiliated Hospital of Guangdong Pharmaceutical University, and boost the scale and quality of Guangzhou Health and Medical Center. **(Led by District Bureau of Science, Industry & Information Technology; District Bureau of Health)**

24. Accelerating the development of the 5G+4K industries. The District will take the

lead in realizing full coverage of 5G base stations and intensifying the promotion of 5G for commercial applications, so as to accelerate the release of development potential. Focused efforts will be made to develop Huaguoshan Town into a 5G+4K/8K national ultra-high-definition (UHD) video display experience and application base. Full preparations will be made to organize the 2020 World Conference on UHD Video Industry. The District will also build UHD video display and exhibition center up to a high standard, plan the construction of the first UHD video production technology collaboration center in the Greater Bay Area, and facilitate the gathering of elements and resources such as leading enterprises, core talents, and public technology platforms. **(Led by District Bureau of Science, Industry & Information Technology)**

25. Accelerating the development of the “headquarters economy”. Efforts will be intensified to introduce corporate headquarters. Newly introduced corporate headquarters and industry-leading enterprises that significantly drive industrial development in the District may receive individualized policy support tailored to their needs. Greater incentives may be provided for existing corporate headquarters in view of their economic contribution to support them grow bigger and stronger. **(Led by District Bureau of Commerce)**

26. Raising the level of international professional services. Seizing the opportunities arising from the completion and operation of Guangzhou Yuexiu International Congress Center (GYICC) and leveraging the strength of GL Events, the District will develop and introduce well-known conferences, enterprises and exhibitions to accelerate the transformation and upgrading of professional markets in the surrounding area, and build Liuhua Business District into an international brand. The District will facilitate the alignment of high-end professional service industries with international standards. By giving full play to the role of the “Ten Policies” for high-end professional service industries, the District will intensify efforts in developing industries such as advertising consulting, credit services, human resources, education, and training, and introduce prime resources in fields such as law, accounting, business service, conference, exhibition, management consulting, so as to raise the level of high-end, international and quality professional service industries. **(Led by District Bureau of Commerce)**

27. Accelerating the development of Haizhu Square Cultural, Financial and Business District. Phase II of the quality improvement project of Haizhu Square will be implemented. The District is vigorously developing the “headquarters economy” by relying on Lumina and Onelink Plaza, speeding up the introduction of projects like Shanghai Insurance Exchange, and encouraging more commercial banks including the Bank of Guangzhou to establish wealth management subsidiaries in the District. Besides, it also actively undertakes a number of major financial innovation events and cooperation projects in the Greater Bay Area, attracts foreign financial institutions to establish new companies and develop new business in the area, and works hard to turn Changdi into a “cornucopia” of emerging financial businesses. **(Led by Financial Street Administrative Committee)**

28. Vigorously supporting innovation and entrepreneurship. Industrial parks and incubators are encouraged to reduce or exempt the rent of resident enterprises. During the epidemic, industrial parks that reduce or waive rent for enterprises amounting to more than CNY 1 million yuan cumulatively will receive a one-off incentive of CNY 300,000; incubators that reduce or waive rent for enterprises amounting to more than CNY 300,000 cumulatively will receive a one-off incentive of CNY 100,000. **(Led by District Bureau of Science, Industry & Information Technology)**

Provincial and municipal demonstrative start-up incubation bases run by non-state-owned enterprises (institutions) that take the initiative to reduce or waive rent for tenant start-up companies (teams) will receive a subsidy of 50% of the total rent reduced or waived, up to a maximum of CNY 500,000. These bases shall be given priority over their peers with similar qualifications with respect to recommendation for designation as national and provincial bases. Individuals and small- or micro enterprises affected by the epidemic may apply to banks for an extension of no more than one year for the repayment of entrepreneurship guaranteed loans, and continue to enjoy interest subsidies during the extension. **(Led by District Bureau of Human Resources and Social Security)**

VIII. Creating First-Class Business Environment.

29. Establishing a rapid service mechanism for starting businesses. New forms of business developed during the epidemic are encouraged to be established as legal entities. Four seals (corporate seal, financial seal, office invoice (*fapiao*) seal, and contract seal) will be engraved for free for newly established enterprises in the District. Procedures for starting a business will be simplified. By promoting the Guangzhou “Business One Link” for Starting a Business platform, a new enterprise can be established in as little as half a day with only one application form and one procedure. Service counters dedicated to new businesses will be provided in the district government service hall to provide one-stop services, enabling the new model of “online business registration on the service platform and in-person collection of licenses, seals, invoices, and tax control disks at the service counter”. **(Led by District Government Affairs Data Administration; District Bureau of Market Regulation; District Public Security Sub-Bureau)**

30. Issuing building permits at zero cost on pilot basis. One-stop services will be provided for simple and low-risk construction projects led by private investment, where applications for building permits will be accepted by one department, processed entirely online, and subject to category-based management. The government will purchase services such as geotechnical investigations, construction supervision, construction drawings and documents review, and real estate registration to allow building permits for these projects to be processed at no cost to the applicant. **(Led by District Bureau of Construction and Water Affairs)**

31. Supporting convenient electricity, water and gas supply connections for enterprises. Procedures for electricity connections will be optimized by specifying processing time, service standards, and fee standards. Utility companies will take the initiative to provide MSMEs with “four-zero” services (zero application, zero in-person trips, zero administrative approval, and zero investment). **(Led by District Bureau of Science, Industry & Information Technology; Yuexiu Power Supply Bureau)**

Parallel review and approval will be improved by notifying municipal utilities companies in real time of the need for electricity, water and gas supply connections before building permits are issued. **(Led by District Bureau of Science, Industry & Information Technology; District Bureau of Construction and Water Affairs; District Urban Administrative and Law Enforcement Bureau)**

32. Intensifying support for procurement through public tender. Green channels will be set up to provide priority support to enterprises related to Covid-19 containment, daily necessities and quarantine measures to carry out transaction activities. Procurers are encouraged to waive performance bond requirements for successful bidders and increase

the ratio of advance payment, so as to free up more capital for suppliers. Procurers are also encouraged, in accordance with regulations, to procure a certain percentage of needed goods and services from MSMEs that are resuming work and production. **(Led by District Bureau of Finance)**

33. Optimizing government services for enterprises. Specific measures to improve online government services for both new and existing enterprises will be introduced to provide them with efficient, convenient and smart government services. Technologies such as electronic certificates, credible online identity verification, and electronic signatures will be vigorously promoted to increase the proportion of government services that can be provided online. All matters handled in the district government service centers will use two-way express courier services to achieve “remote administrative approvals”. **(Led by District Government Affairs Data Administration; District Community Grid Command Center)**

34. Encouraging inclusive oversight. A “grace period” will be provided for the regulatory compliance of new forms of business, such as new technologies, new industries, new trades, and new models, where flexible means of oversight such as administrative guidance will be adopted to guide and urge legal compliance by relevant enterprises. Mechanisms to allow for errors will be established, and prudence will be exercised in the imposition of administrative penalties for first-time unintended minor violations that have not caused harm. Due consideration will be given to the impact of the epidemic on MSMEs before deeming them to have engaged in discreditable behaviors and including them in the joint penalty “blacklist”. Enterprises that take the initiative to perform their obligations to take correction action within a reasonable period may be temporarily excluded from the blacklist. **(Led by authorities with the power to impose administrative penalties, such as the District Bureau of Market Regulation; District Financial Supervisory Authority; Yuexiu Customs and District Court)**

35. Strengthening support provided by credit services. A comprehensive “credibility + commitment” system will be established to reduce required documents, procedures and costs in matters as administrative permits, government subsidies and funding approval. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau)**

Efforts will be made to improve the industry credit rating systems, implement tiered and category-based oversight, and reduce the proportion and frequency of spot checks on creditable enterprises, thus lowering the impact on their routine operations. **(Led by competent authorities)**

The “Credit Butler” service model will be promoted in key office buildings and a greater range of services will be provided. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau and District Bureau of Commerce)**

36. Promoting a complete suite of services at one location as promised in relevant policies. Services specified by the policies of different departments will be integrated. With the goal of allowing related transactions to be processed together, the District will optimize the processes for enterprises to obtain approvals for production and for residents to obtain approvals for frequently-handled matters, formulate clear processing guidelines, and publish them through such channels as the district government’s website, service counters in the government service hall, and the 12345 hotline to enhance the accessibility and awareness of such services. **(Led by policy implementation authorities and District Government Affairs Data Administration)**

37. Establishing a mechanism for accelerating the processing of fire safety permits and convenient services. The time required for granting a fire safety permit to a public gathering place before it is operational will be shortened from 10 to 3 working days. The enterprise application process will be optimized to remove the need for in-person trips by establishing convenient service mechanisms such as “online/in-person” processing and two-way express courier delivery, which will reduce the time needed to issue fire safety permits to enterprises. **(Led by District Fire Rescue Brigade)**

IX. Building a Governance System to Fully Protects People's Lives and Health

38. Becoming a frontrunner in healthcare. Significant support will be provided for the development of national-level regional medical centers and national respiratory disease centers to give full play to the strengths of agglomerated national high-level healthcare institutions. Efforts will be made to improve the disease prevention system, public health oversight system and major epidemic response system, and strengthen the mechanism for joint containment of major epidemics, so as to further enhance the District’s capability to contain major epidemics and provide public health services, medical treatment and emergency response. The allocation of healthcare resources will be optimized by boosting the capacity to provide care for the elderly and children as well as maternal and pediatric health services to provide comprehensive health services for all ages. To create a national-level health promotion zone, the District will improve the tiered medical system, improve the service capabilities of primary healthcare institutions, and strengthen the building of a system of preventive healthcare services to make quality medical services available to the public. **(Led by District Bureau of Health)**

The District will resolutely ban and severely crack down on illegal wildlife markets and trade to control major public health risks at source. **(Led by District Bureau of Market Regulation)**

39. Improving the mechanism for material reserves. Based on the principle of “better to over- than under-prepare”, the District will clarify the demand for emergency materials and improve reserve catalogues and management systems to render the reserves more effective. Based on the demand for emergency supplies, networks for materials procurement, storage and transportation will be established. Efforts will be made to promote the combination of government reserves and private reserves to diversify reserve entities, and promote the rational purchase, storage and rotation of supplies over the medium and long term. **(Led by District Development and Reform Bureau, District Bureau of Emergency Management, and District Bureau of Health)**

40. Improving the emergency management system. A modern emergency command and dispatch center will be established. Mechanisms for the development and operation of emergency production system will be included in the *Overall Response Plan for Emergencies in Yuexiu District* and related special emergency response plans. Great attention must be paid to all aspects of safe production by intensifying the screening of major safety risks in key enterprises. **(Led by District Bureau of Emergency Management)**

With respect to fire hazards in old residential complexes, the District will install smart electrical testers, more fire hydrants, and other fire safety equipment such as fire nozzles, hoses and hose reels, and build centralized parking spaces for electric bicycles. **(Led by District Fire Rescue Brigade)**

41. Strengthening the development of digital government. Digital government resources will be further shared with the public to speed up the formation of an efficient, coordinated and panoramic urban management model across regions, sectors and industries, and enhance the government's capacity for rapid response and effective joint comprehensive urban management and emergency response. Efforts will be made to promote the integration and intensive development of information infrastructure and urban public facilities. Cyber security management will be strengthened to ensure cyberspace security. **(Led by District Government Affairs Data Administration; District Bureau of Science, Industry & Information Technology; Cyberspace Administration Office of District Party Committee; District Community Grid Command Center)**

42. Improving the social governance model based on collaboration, joint participation, and shared benefits. The District will make sure that every order is followed and every ban complied with to improve the social governance model guided by Party building based on collaboration, joint participation, and shared benefits, and encourage Party members to serve local communities on regular basis. **(Led by District Political and Legal Affairs Commission; Organization Department of District Party Committee)**

The District will create a grid-based mega-city services management model with Yuexiu characteristics and build community grid command service platforms at both district and subdistrict level to achieve further modernization in social governance. **(Led by District Government Affairs Data Administration; District Community Grid Command Center)**

Greater efforts will be made to provide humanistic psychological care and support for residents during the Covid-19 response period. **(Led by District Bureau of Health)**

The achievements of the "Four Standards and Four Verifications" program (creating a standard operating map, a standard building code, a standard address library and a standard basic social network, and verifying actual population, houses, organizations and facilities to build a clean, tidy, safe and orderly urban environment) will be further utilized to enhance mass participation in preventing and controlling disturbances to public order in Guangzhou and make Yuexiu a high-quality and safe district. **(Led by District Public Security Sub-Bureau)**

X. Organizing the Implementation of Policies

43. The District will implement relevant support policies promulgated by the State, province, and municipality. If policies made by district-level and higher-level authorities apply to the same matter, after the implementation of higher-level policies, district-level policies will be implemented if they provide support that is stronger and not provided by higher-level policies. Leaders and cadres at all levels must shoulder their responsibilities and assume leadership at the frontline. Relevant district departments will study and formulate specific implementation rules and take the initiative to communicate these rules to enterprises. All subdistricts shall meet their duties to propose specific and effective measures based on the actualities within their administrative jurisdiction. Pointless formalities and bureaucracy will be resolutely opposed. Practical problems should be addressed in a coordinated manner. Grassroots organizations or individuals should not be required to repeatedly fill in forms or submit reports, in order to effectively reduce the burden on them. The District must mobilize all sectors of society to create a favorable environment for voicing opinions and jointly meet today's challenges. While ensuring that

the epidemic is contained, the District will also coordinate reform and development tasks to ensure victory in the all-out people's war against the virus and fulfil the targets and tasks for economic and social development this year.

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