# SMART CITY DEVELOPMENT HOLDINGS LIMITED

(THE "COMPANY") (Stock Code: 8268)

## **Terms of Reference for Nomination Committee**

# 1. CONSTITUTION

The board of Directors (the "**Board**") has on 16 December 2014 resolved to establish a committee of the Board to be known as the Nomination Committee (the "**Committee**") with effect from the listing date of the Company.

#### 2. FUNCTIONS AND OBJECTIVES

The Nomination Committee is appointed by the Board to regularly review the structure, size, composition and diversity of the Board and make recommendations to the Board on the appointment of Directors and management of Board succession.

#### 3. COMPOSITION

- 3.1 The members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Board and shall consist of at least three members, a majority of whom shall be independent non-executive directors of the Company, with at least one member of a different gender.
- 3.2 The Chairman of the Committee shall be appointed by the Board and shall be either the chairman of the Board or an independent non-executive Director.

#### 4. ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

- 4.1 The Committee may invite any executive Directors, member of senior management or other individual to attend meetings of the Committee as it considers appropriate but such executive Directors, member of senior management or other individuals are not entitled to vote at the meetings.
- 4.2 The Company Secretary of the Company or his or her nominee shall be the secretary of the Committee.
- 4.3 No Director should be involved in and shall abstain from discussion in deciding the nomination of his or her associates.

#### 5. PROCEEDINGS OF MEETINGS

- 5.1 The meetings and proceedings of the Committee are governed by the provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company for regulating the meetings and proceedings of the Board, except for otherwise determined by the Board from time to time.
- 5.2 The quorum for meetings shall be two members of the Committee.
- 5.3 The Chairman, in consultation with the person responsible for Human Resources and the secretary of the Committee, should be primarily responsible for drawing up and approving the agenda for each Committee meeting. The Chairman, with the assistance of the secretary, shall ensure that all members shall receive sufficient information in a timely manner to enable effective discussion at the Committee meeting. The Chairman shall, with the assistance of the person responsible for Human Resources, brief all members on issues arising at each Committee meeting.

### 6. FREQUENCY OF MEETING

Meetings shall be held at least once a year and at such times as the Committee determines is appropriate to carry out its responsibilities.

### 7. AUTHORITIES

- 7.1 The authority of the Committee is derived from the Board, therefore the Committee is obliged to report to the Board on their decisions or recommendations, unless there are legal or regulatory restrictions in doing so.
- 7.2 The Committee is authorised by the Board to make full use of intermediary agencies for identifying qualified director candidates at the Company's expense and to conduct interviews with prospective candidates for nomination.
- 7.3 The Company should provide the Committee sufficient resources to perform its duties. Where necessary, the Committee should seek independent professional advice, at the Company's expense, to perform its responsibilities.

#### 8. DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE

- 8.1 In addition to any other responsibilities which may be assigned from time to time by the Board, the duties of the Committee shall be:
  - (a) to review the structure, size and composition (including but not limited to skills, knowledge, gender, age, cultural, educational background, professional experience and diversity of perspectives) of the Board at least annually, assist the Board in maintaining a Board skills matrix and make recommendations on any proposed changes to the Board to complement the Company's corporate strategy;
  - (b) to identify individuals suitably qualified to become Board member and select or make recommendations to the Board on the selection of individuals nominated for directorships, with due regard for the benefits of diversity on the Board with reference to the Board diversity policy (the "Board Diversity Policy");
  - (c) to assess the independence of independent non-executive Directors;
  - (d) to make recommendations to the Board on the appointment or re-appointment of Directors and succession planning for Directors, in particular the chairman and the chief executive;
  - (e) to support the Company's regular evaluation of the Board's performance;
  - (f) to make available the terms of reference, explaining the role of the Committee and the authority delegated to it by the Board by including them on the websites of the GEM of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and the Company;
  - (g) to develop and recommend to the Board measurable objectives for achieving diversity on the Board and monitor the progress on achieving those objectives;
  - (h) to identify and nominate candidates to fill casual vacancies of the Directors for the Board's approval;
  - (i) to determine and review policy for the Board Diversity Policy and the nomination of Directors (the "**Director Nomination Policy**") as appropriate. The Director Nomination Policy shall set out, inter alia, the nomination procedures and the process and criteria to select and recommend candidates for directorship during the year;

- (j) to ensure that each director should be nominated by means of a separate resolution in meetings of the Board and/or the general meetings of the Company, as appropriate;
- (k) to review annually the time commitment required of directors and to evaluate whether directors have committed adequate time to discharge their responsibilities; and
- (l) to do any such things to enable the Committee to perform its functions conferred on it by the Board.
- 8.2 Where the Board proposes a resolution to elect an individual as an independent non-executive Director at the general meeting, it should set out in the circular to shareholders of the Company and/or explanatory statement accompanying the notice of the relevant general meeting:
  - 1. The process used for identifying the individual and why the board believes the individual should be elected and the reasons why it considers the individual to be independent;
  - 2. If the proposed independent non-executive director will be holding their seventh (or more) listed company directorship, why the board believes the individual would still able to devote sufficient time to the board;
  - 3. The perspectives, skill and experience that the individual can bring to the board; and
  - 4. How the individual contributes to diversity of the board.
- 8.3 The Chairman of the Committee or in the absence of the Chairman, another member of the Committee or failing this his duly appointed delegate, should be available to answer questions at the annual general meeting.

## 9. REPORTING PROCEDURES

9.1 The secretary of the Committee shall record minutes of all duly constituted meetings of the Committee. All minutes shall record in sufficient details the matters considered, decisions reached or recommendations made and any concerns raised by any member including dissenting views.

- 9.2 The secretary shall circulate the draft and final versions of the minutes of meetings and reports of the Committee to all members for comments and records within a reasonable time after each meeting, subject to any legal or regulatory restrictions restricting such circulation or the making of such reports.
- 9.3 The Chairman of the Committee who chair the meetings or other Member who is authorised by the chairman of the Committee to chair the meetings shall report in the forthcoming regular Board meeting any key decisions made and shall table before the Board an index of meetings and issues discussed.

#### 10. INTERPRETATION

Interpretation of these terms of reference shall belong to the Board.

(The English version shall always prevail in case of any inconsistency between the English version and its Chinese translation.)

(Adopted by the Company pursuant to the Board's resolutions passed on 16 December 2014, 31 December 2018 and 25 June 2025)