

Prague poised to establish city-to-city ties with Taipei



Prague Mayor Zdenek Hrib (left) and Taipei Mayor Ko Wen-je (right) met in Taipei in March

Berlin, Dec. 12 (CNA) The city council of Prague in the Czech Republic passed a motion to establish “sisterhood ties” with Taipei Thursday.

Prague city council voted 39-0 to approve the motion, with two abstentions.

Prague Mayor Zdenek Hrib announced last week that he will sign an agreement with Taipei Mayor Ko Wen-je (柯文哲) in January when Ko visits the Czech capital to boost bilateral trade, tourist, cultural and educational exchanges between the two cities.

Hrib said that Prague will send students to Taipei to learn Chinese, as well as study Taiwan’s digitization of healthcare and development of metro systems.

He also revealed that Prague Zoo expects to be gifted a pangolin from Taipei.

Prague terminated its city-to-city agreement with Beijing in October after a dispute over the removal of Beijing’s “one China” policy clause from the agreement.

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