

# QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City  
20<sup>th</sup> City Council

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64<sup>th</sup> Regular Session

ORDINANCE NO. SP- 2724, S-2018

AN ORDINANCE MANDATING THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING OFFICIAL IN COORDINATION WITH THE DISASTER RISK REDUCTION MANAGEMENT OFFICE TO CONDUCT A STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY AUDIT OF ALL PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS, HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEIs), HOSPITALS AND OTHER BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES ESPECIALLY THOSE THAT ARE LOCATED ALONG THE WEST VALLEY FAULT (WVF) AND DANGER ZONE AREAS.

Introduced by Councilor RAMON P. MEDALLA.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisolago, Lena Marie P. Juico, Elizabeth A. Delarmente, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Oliviere T. Belmonte, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, Estrella C. Valmocina, Roderick M. Paulate, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Franz S. Pumaren, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Marvin C. Rillo, Marra C. Suntay, Hero Clarence M. Bautista, Jose A. Visaya, Karl Edgar C. Castelo, Julienne Alyson Rae V. Medalla, Godofredo T. Liban II, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Marivic Co-Pilar, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Diorella Maria G. Sotto, Donato C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina and Ricardo B. Corpuz.

WHEREAS, the City Government is empowered under Section 458 (1)(iv) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as "Local Government Code of 1991", to "adopt measures to protect the inhabitants of the City from the harmful effects of man-made or natural disasters and calamities and to provide relief services and assistance for victims during and in the aftermath of said disasters or calamities and in their return to productive livelihood following said events";

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government (QCG) desires to strengthen the city's resiliency against human induced or natural disaster by recognizing the vision, policy framework and strategies capitalized on disaster risk reduction and management in Quezon City, and which envisages a Quality City with an empowered and responsive citizenry who live in a sustainable, well planned and structurally sound environment with a vibrant economy under a progressive leadership;



WHEREAS, the conduct of a structural audit of the properties located along the West Valley Fault (WVF), primary purpose is to evaluate and assess potentially hazardous structures/buildings within the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City that are vulnerable to severe damage in the event of an earthquake;

WHEREAS, under Republic Act No. 10121, otherwise known as the "Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010", specifically citing Section 12 (c) (2), the provincial, city and municipality DRRMOs or BDRRMCs shall perform the following functions with impartiality given the emerging challenges brought by disasters of our times: Facilitate and support risk assessments and contingency planning activities at the local level;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government (QCG) mandates the promotion and development of an earthquake risk reduction and management program in order to mitigate if not to eliminate the effects of major natural and man-made disasters as well as to protect the health, safety and general welfare especially the Quezon City residents.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSIONS ASSEMBLED:

SECTION 1. TITLE - This Ordinance shall be known as "The Structural Integrity Audit of All Private and Public Schools, Higher Education Institutions (HEIS) Hospitals and Other Buildings or Structures Especially Those That Are Located Along the West Valley Fault (WVF) and Danger Zone Areas".

SECTION 2. TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG) - The Technical Working Group (TWG) shall be composed of:

- 2.1 Department of Engineering (Structural Engineers) - which shall be in-charge of structural integrity audit of buildings built and owned by local and national government.
- 2.2 Department of the Building Official - which shall be in-charge of the structural integrity audit of privately owned buildings. A



- 2.3 *Quezon City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office – which shall be responsible in identifying whether the site is located along the west valley faults and dangers zones.*

*The Offices/Departments mentioned shall be responsible and accountable in the Conduct of Structural Integrity Audit and shall ensure the development, approval and implementation of the Ordinance.*

*SECTION 3. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS - Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Ordinance the Technical Working Group (TWG) shall formulate the rules and regulations necessary for the effective implementation of this Ordinance.*

*SECTION 4. PENALTY CLAUSE – By virtue of this Ordinance, structural integrity audit of all buildings, private and government owned becomes mandatory especially for buildings which are over thirty (30) years of age and those that are located in fault line and danger zones.*

*Notice of Structural Integrity Audit – The designated Officer/s of the Technical Working Group will issue a notice for the owner of the building for the conduct of the structural audit of the said building.*

- a. Upon receipt of the said notice, the building owner must conduct the structural audit of the said building within 30 days and mandatorily submit such “Structural Audit Report” to the Department of the Building Official, who shall scrutinize the report and ultimately enforce compliance of all repairs and restorations in the Structural Audit Report.*
- b. Failure to Conduct Repairs – if the owner of the building consistently fails to carry out all the repairs and restorations highlighted in the Structural Audit Report, the Department of the Building Official is empowered to conduct the repairs and restorations on its own and recover the cost of such repairs and restorations from the building owner.*
- c. Failure to carry out the relevant repairs by the owners will result to the revocation of its “Occupancy Certificate”.*
- d. Continuous refusal of the owner to carry out the repairs and restorations specified in the Structural Audit Report will result to the filing of criminal charges against the owner of the building.*

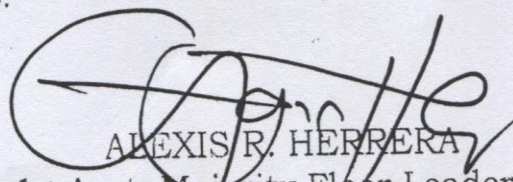


SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE - All Ordinances, Resolutions, Executive Orders, Memorandum Circulars and Administrative Regulations, or part thereof which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

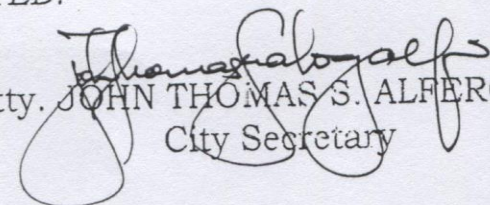
SECTION 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - If for any reason or reasons, any part or provision of this Ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provision hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE - This Ordinance shall take effect Fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation.

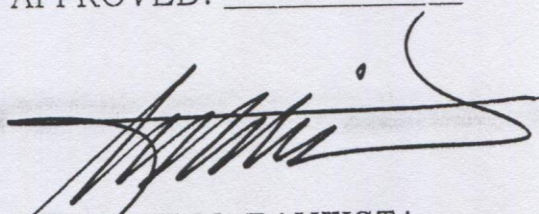
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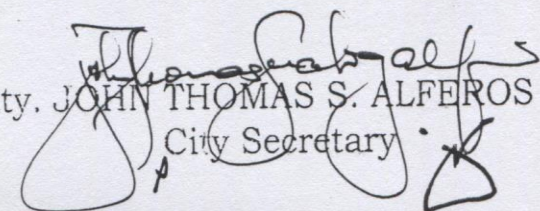
  
Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III  
City Secretary

APPROVED: 12 JUL 2018

  
HERBERT M. BAUTISTA  
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on June 13, 2018 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on June 25, 2018.

  
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City Secretary