

QC to make own public transport service board

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QUEZON City Mayor Herbert Bautista has approved an ordinance creating a public transport service board that shall formulate a comprehensive and rationalized local public transport service plan.

He backed City Ordinance 2726 to address the transport problem in the city.

“The assistance of the Quezon City local government should be utilized to become a pro-active partner of the Department of Transportation, Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board and private sectors in creating a long-term effective solution to traffic,” the measure read.

Bautista shall lead the public transport service board with heads of City Planning and Development Office Engineering Department and Department of Public Order and Safety as members.

The city council’s committee on transportation chairman is part of the board as well as representatives from DOTr, LTFRB, public transport sector, private sector and Liga ng mga Barangay president.

“It is timely that the Quezon City local government, through its different departments, to create/determine a comprehensive and rationalized public transport plan because they are knowledgeable in the formulation of policies,” the council said.

This applies “not only within their territory but also to its adjoining cities, monitor the volume of motor vehicles in main

thoroughfares and gather information through public consultation for the benefit of the riding public,” the councilors added.

Meanwhile, job-seekers rushed to Quezon City Hall for the third 2018 Mega Job Fair organized by the QC Public Employment Service Office last Aug. 31, as 37 local and five international companies participated.

Among the over 3,000 job applicants who were interviewed, 416 were hired on the spot, while 2,047 applicants for local jobs and 200 applicants for overseas work are subject to interviews.

QC-PESO officer-in-charge Carlo Magno E. Abella said there are many job vacancies where applicants can apply and hiring will depend on the employers’ manpower needs.

According to Abella, job applicants must bring more copies of their resumes for them to have more chances of getting hired.