

Belmonte forms solid waste collection task force

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Quezon City Mayor **Joy Belmonte** has formed a task force to improve solid waste collection, cleaning and disposal services management in the city.

Belmonte, in her third executive order, said there is a need to create a team that will ensure proper solid waste collection and management during her term.

“It is the policy of the city to promote the preservation, protection, and revival of the ecosystem through prevention, control, and abatement of air, water, and land pollution and the spread of hazardous wastes in the environment, hand-in-hand with the sustained development of the city,” read the executive order.

The task force will supervise and manage the collection and transport of solid wastes, as well as collection maintenance and continuity in the city.

It will also coordinate with the national agencies and barangays to implement solid waste collection and management, and will recommend service providers for disposal services to the city mayor.

The body will be chaired by the **secretary to the mayor**, with the head of the **environment protection and waste management department** as the vice chair.

Other members include the heads of **barangay and community relations department**, **market development and administration department** and the **business permits and licensing department**.