

Mayor Joy backs President Duterte's push for ease of doing business

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QUEZON City Mayor **Joy Belmonte** expressed her support to President Rodrigo Duterte's initiative for an easier and faster business transaction in government.

In his State of the Nation Address on July 22, President Duterte urged local government units to implement the Ease of Doing Business Act, which has its Implementing Rules and Regulations recently signed.

Mayor Belmonte said in a statement that she supports the challenge of President Duterte in the local government units to release business clearance and permit within three days. During the Legislative Executive Development Advisory Council meet on July 19, Mayor Belmonte stressed on the ease of doing business as part of her 14-point agenda, she emphasized the importance of a business-friendly city to encourage businesses to invest in Quezon City.

The local chief executive also emphasized on having a faster way to process business permits for low-risk businesses. According to Mayor Belmonte, permits for these businesses will be issued in a day or two, while high-risk businesses can secure their permits within a week.

Mayor Belmonte added that through this system, they encourage businessmen to invest in Quezon City and it will also eradicate any corruption in the transactions in Quezon City.