

'Tiangge'-free Quezon Memorial Circle

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Park goers in Quezon City will now have more room to move, as the city government has dismantled stalls at the Quezon Memorial Circle (QMC).

The move was made as part of a plan by Quezon City Mayor Joy Belmonte to redevelop and make it a people-friendly park.

Belmonte personally visited the flea market and met with stall owners as they packed their goods and belongings.

The permit to operate of the "tiangge" expired last 30 June, and the mayor ordered the eviction of all tenants last Monday, 5 August. The vendors complied with the order.

Food stalls beside the QMC covered court have also vacated QMC, while the restaurants and food stores surrounding the playground were given until 18 August to leave their locations.

The commercial areas inside the park first opened in the late 1990s, as the circle was redeveloped as a leisure destination. Alongside the "tiangge," restaurants, garden shops and a mini amusement park offered a variety of entertainment options for park goers.