

# QC 'ease of biz' group created

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**Q**UEZON City Mayor Joy Belmonte has ordered the creation of a body that would help business owners process their licenses and documents with greater ease.

She issued Executive Order 39-2019, forming the Ease of Doing Business and Automation Task Force.

Belmonte said she wants to transform Quezon City into one the country's most

preferred business destinations through a more efficient and consolidated business registration system.

The city administrator shall head the task force, with the heads of the Busi-

ness Permits and Licensing Department and Department of the Building Official as vice chairpersons.

Under the executive order, the task force is also responsible in unifying application forms from all involved offices into a single document.

To ensure faster processing, a single transaction will only be limited to three signatories.

According to Belmonte, an online service should be accessible under a single website, and if transacting busi-

ness personally, the process should only be at a single location.

Digitalization of documents, such as using soft copies and e-signatures, shall also be allowed under the order.

A database that interconnects all offices as well as a city government-wide electronic messaging system and tracking software shall also be created.

The task force shall also be responsible in enabling an electronic payment system for city government services and transactions.