

QC demolishes illegal guard houses

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The Quezon City Department of Public Order and Safety (DPOS) demolished the guard house of a private subdivision on Katipunan Avenue in Barangay San Bartolome, which was reportedly collecting fees from motorists and delivery trucks passing through the area.

The guard house owned by California Village situated along Katipunan Avenue, a Mabuhay Lane, was considered a road obstruction.

In addition, the village guard house collected fees from motorists, especially delivery trucks, ranging from P50 up to P200 pesos per day.

“We continue our operation against illegal guard houses even in private subdivisions. These can be seen as obstructions, and motorists should not pay just to pass through public roads,” Elmo San Diego, DPOS head, said.

DPOS also demolished another guard house at California Village, while the Sierra Vista Subdivision homeowners demolished two of their own guard houses, also along Katipunan Avenue.

Moreover, three guard houses-cum-toll booths in Kingspoint Subdivision and two at Goodwill Subdivision were also demolished to clear the roads.

The QC mayor called on village homeowners’ associations to refrain from collecting fees from motorists, especially on public roads.

DPOS will continue to clear all road obstructions upon the directive of the city mayor to provide safer roads to motorists and cyclists, and sidewalks to pedestrians.