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Through the electronic payment facility QC Pay Easy, tax payers and business owners in Quezon City can now pay their real property dues and new business permit applications. The platform, housed in the city's E-Services website, will allow payers to pay via Credit Card, Paymaya E-wallet, or to instantly transfer funds from the following banks: BPI, RCBC, Robinson's Bank and UnionBank.

Mayor Joy Belmonte said other online payment methods will be added over time, and that the system will eventually be integrated with all online services that require payment at the City Treasury.

"Paying taxes should not be taxing. That's why the local government is keen on delivering cost-efficient and practical solutions such as this to address the woes of our taxpayers and business owners," Belmonte said.

Starting today, individuals who wish to pay their real property tax and/or business owners who wish to apply for a new business permit may do so via the QC E-Services portal (https:// qceservices.quezoncity.gov.ph).

City Administrator Michael Alimurung said Pay Easy follows the footsteps of Biz Easy and Build Easy, which present all stakeholders with "a win-win situation."

"Transacting online would mean saving time and effort, and limited face to face interactions, which help prevent the risks of Covid-19,

"And lastly, through Pay Easy, we are able to respond to the call of the Anti-Red Tape Authority and comply with RA 11032 or the Ease of Doing Business which seeks to digitize government transactions," Alimurung said.

He added that this innovation targets one of Belmonte's 14-point agenda items which is to make QC the preferred destination for businesses.