

## Republic of the Philippines QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City 22<sup>nd</sup> City Council

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ORDINANCE NO. SP- 3270, S-2024

AN ORDINANCE CONVERTING A PORTION OF THE 2-STOREY DELARMENTE MULTIPURPOSE HALL LOCATED AT ROAD 7 EXTENSION, BARANGAY PROJECT 6, DISTRICT I, QUEZON CITY INTO DISTRICT 1 AREA 1 SUB-OFFICE ACTION CENTER

Introduced by Councilors DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D., BERNARD R. HERRERA, JOSEPH P. JUICO, TANY JOE "TJ" L. CALALAY and CHARM M. FERRER

Co-Introduced by Councilors Nikki V. Crisologo, Fernando Miguel "Mikey" F. Belmonte, Aly Medalla, Dave C. Valmocina, Tatay Rannie Z. Ludovica, Godofredo T. Liban II, Kate Galang-Coseteng, Geleen "Dok G" G. Lumbad, Don S. De Leon, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Atty. Anton L. Reyes, Edgar "Egay" G. Yap, Irene R. Belmonte, Nanette Castelo-Daza, Marra C. Suntay, Joseph Joe Visaya, Alfred Vargas, MPA, Shaira "Shay" L. Liban, Aiko S. Melendez, Mutya Castelo, Maria Eleanor "Doc Ellie" R. Juan, O.D., Kristine Alexia R. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Vito Sotto Generoso, Victor "Vic" Bernardo, Jose Maria M. Rodriguez and Jhon Angelli "Sami" C. Neri

WHEREAS, Section 16, Chapter II, Title I, Book I of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991", provides that every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare, and shall preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants;

WHEREAS, Section 17(a), Chapter II, Title I, Book I of the Local Government Code of 1991 states that local government units shall exercise such other powers and discharge such other functions and responsibilities as are necessary, appropriate, or incidental to efficient and effective provision of the basic services and facilities;

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WHEREAS, under Executive Order No. 38, s.2020 issued by the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, Quezon City District Action Offices in Districts I to VI of the City were established in line with the policy of making basic services more accessible to Quezon City residents;

WHEREAS, through Quezon City Ordinance No. SP-3000, S-2021, otherwise known as the "Quezon City District Action Office Ordinance", additional coterminous positions were created under the Office of the City Mayor for the 6 District Action Offices in Quezon City;

WHEREAS, considering the various economic challenges that lead to indigency faced by our people and the rising number of Senior Citizens and Persons with Disability in the City, including District I, it has become necessary to enhance the accessibility of the City's essential services for these vulnerable groups. This is to ensure that they can fully benefit from the services provided by the City;

WHEREAS, the 2-Storey Delarmente Multipurpose Hall, located at Road 7 Extension, Barangay Project 6, District I, Quezon City, is currently used for public gatherings and activities in the community. It was also previously used as a quarantine facility during the effectivity of the State of Public Health Emergency declared in the Country due to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);

WHEREAS, the State of Public Health Emergency in the Philippines was lifted on July 21, 2023 through Proclamation No. 297, S.2023 issued by the Office of the President after the Country has maintained sufficient healthcare system capacity and low hospital bed utilization rates even after the liberalization of COVID-19 health protocols. Thus, the multipurpose hall no longer needs to serve as a quarantine facility;

WHEREAS, only a fraction of the multipurpose hall is currently used for public gatherings and activities, leaving a substantial portion of its capacity underutilized;

WHEREAS, Section 11(c), Chapter II, Title I, Book I of the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that local government offices and facilities shall not be transferred, relocated, or converted to other uses unless public hearings are first conducted for the purpose and the concurrence of the majority of all the members of the Sanggunian concerned is obtained;

WHEREAS, to improve the delivery of essential services to the District 1, Quezon City residents who are Indigents, Senior Citizens and Persons with Disability and maximize the use of the City's property for the welfare of its constituents, there is a need to convert a portion of the 2-Storey Delarmente Multipurpose Hall located at Road 7 Extension, Barangay Project 6, District I, Quezon City into a District 1 Area 1 Action Sub-Office for Indigents, Persons with Disability, and Senior Citizens.

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## NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. – This Ordinance shall be known as the "District 1 Area 1 Action Sub-Office Ordinance".

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. – It is hereby declared as a policy of the Quezon City Government to:

- a. uphold quality service through efficient and effective peoplecentered governance by providing various opportunities needed to empower the disadvantaged sector towards becoming productive members of the community;
- b. provide timely, responsive, and relevant social welfare services to the disadvantaged sector in the community;
- c. champion the rights and welfare of Persons with Disability through advocacy, relevant and sustainable programs and services centered on their overall needs as productive members of the society; and
- d. motivate, encourage, and give maximum support to Senior Citizens and their contributions in nation-building by granting and providing them optimum and special privileges.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS. – As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

- a. **District 1 Area 1 -** refers to Barangays Vasra, Bagong Pag-Asa, Sto. Cristo, Project 6, Ramon Magsaysay, and Alicia, which are located in District 1 of Quezon City;
- b. **Indigent** refers to a person who has no visible means of income, or whose income is insufficient for the subsistence of his/her family, as assessed by the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), local government social worker, or the medical social worker of the health facility;
- c. **Person with Disability (PWD)** refers to a person suffering from restriction or different abilities, as a result of a mental, physical or sensory impairment, to perform an activity in the manner or within the range considered normal for a human being; and

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d. **Senior Citizen** – refers to a person who is at least 60 years old.

SECTION 4. DISTRICT 1 AREA 1 ACTION SUB-OFFICE. – A portion of the 2-Storey Delarmente Multipurpose Hall, located at Road 7 Extension, Barangay Project 6, District I, Quezon City, shall be converted into a District 1 Area 1 Action Sub-Office for Indigents, Persons with Disability, and Senior Citizens who are residents of the barangays in Area 1, District 1, Quezon City. The Sub-Office shall be under the authority and supervision of the District 1 Action Office, which shall have the power to designate personnel to the Sub-Office.

The personnel of the Sub-Office shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- a. supervise, evaluate, monitor, and coordinate the implementation and undertaking of developmental programs and activities on Indigents, Persons with Disability and Senior Citizens who are residents of Area 1, District 1, Quezon City;
- b. attend to the reported issues and concerns on Indigents, Persons with Disability and Senior Citizens who are residents of Area 1, District 1, Quezon City and facilitate the immediate resolution of the same;
- c. regularly report to and make the necessary coordination with the District 1 Action Office;
- d. assist and coordinate for the effective enforcement of existing ordinances and issuances on Indigents, Persons with Disability and Senior Citizens who are residents of Area 1, District 1, Quezon City; and
- e. perform such other duties and functions as may be assigned or delegated by the District 1 Action Office, or as may be required by law or ordinance.

SECTION 5. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. – If any provision of this Ordinance is declared void or unconstitutional, the remaining portions shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. REPEALING CLAUSE. – All ordinances, resolutions, executive orders, memorandum circulars, and administrative orders and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. – This Ordinance shall take effect 15 days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City.

ENACTED: March 11, 2024.

GIAN G. SOTTO City Vice Mayor Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III City Government Department Head III (City Council Secretary)

APPROVED: \_\_\_APR 1 1 2024

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE City Mayor

## **CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on March 11, 2024 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on March 18, 2024.

ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
City Government Department Head III
(City Council Secretary)