

55th Regular Session

ORDINANCE NO. SP-1226, S-2003

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CLOSE CIRCUIT CAMERAS IN BANKS AND/OR THEIR BRANCHES LOCATED IN QUEZON CITY, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

Introduced by Councilors ELIZABETH A. DELARMENTE.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Wilma Amoranto-Sarino, Vincent P. Crisologo, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Bernadette Herrera-Dy, Rommel R. Abesamis, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Aiko Melendez-Yllana, Ramon P. Medalla, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Eric Z. Medina, Mary Ann L. Susano, Jorge L. Banal, Julian M.L. Coseteng, Franz S. Pumaren, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Dante M. De Guzman, Jesus Manuel C. Suntay, Antonio E. Inton, Jr., Janet M. Malaya, Ricardo R. Del Rosario, Restituto B. Malañgen, Xyrus L. Lanot and Junie Marie L. Castelo.

WHEREAS, there have been reports of robberies being perpetrated by criminal elements against law-abiding citizens after the latter had just withdrawn funds from banks in the City;

WHEREAS, there have also been reports of robberies occurring inside the banks themselves;

WHEREAS, said lawless acts could be prevented by the presence of close circuit cameras operating during banking hours;

WHEREAS, if bank robberies or robberies against bank clients committed outside the banks nevertheless occur despite the presence, maintenance and operation of close circuit cameras, the tapes from said cameras could be invaluable in solving the crime and securing the arrest of the perpetrators of the same.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. All banks and their branches, and other financial institutions located in Quezon City are hereby required to set-up, maintain and operate during banking hours close circuit cameras at areas thereat where people normally wait and transact business with said establishments.

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SECTION 2. Banks operating in Quezon City are hereby required to keep the tapes taken from the operation of said close circuit camera for a period of two (2) weeks from the date of transaction for future reference in case the robbery occurs inside the establishment or a bank client becomes the victim of a robbery after transacting business with the said bank.

SECTION 3. Banks are hereby given three (3) months from the date of approval of this Ordinance to comply with the requirements contained herein.

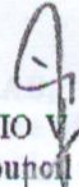
SECTION 4. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be a cause for the suspension, revocation and cancellation of the business permit to operate.

SECTION 5. Any provision of this Ordinance found to be unconstitutional or contrary to existing laws shall not affect and impair the other provisions thereof.

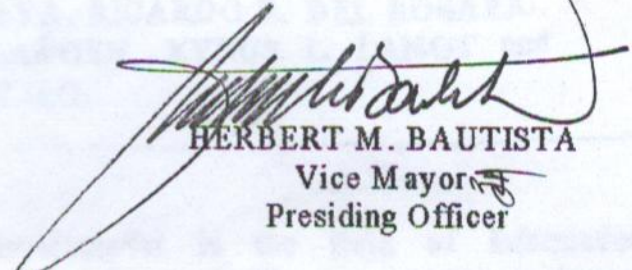
SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

ENACTED: January 28, 2003.

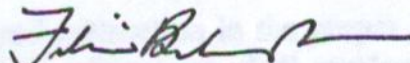
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EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary

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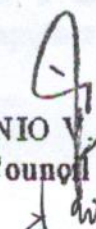

HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

APPROVED: March 3, 2003


FELICIANO R. BELMONTE, JR.
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this ORDINANCE which was APPROVED on Second Reading on January 28, 2003, was finally PASSED on Third Reading by the City Council on February 11, 2003.


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary