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85th Regular Session

ORDINANCE NO. SP- 1373, S-2004

AN ORDINANCE CREATING AND ESTABLISHING A CITY POUND SECTION UNDER THE VETERINARY SERVICES DIVISION OF THE QUEZON CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, DEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS AND APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF SEVEN MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX PESOS (P7,718,566.00) NECESSARY FOR THE PURPOSE.

Introduced by Councilors JORGE L. BANAL, WILMA AMORANTO-SARINO, BERNADETTE HERRERA-DY, VOLTAIRE GODOFREDO L. LIBAN III, AIKO MELENDEZ, RAMON P. MEDALLA, ERIC Z. MEDINA, WENCEROM BENEDICT C. LAGUMBAY, ANTONIO E. INTON, JR. and RESTITUTO B. MALAÑGEN.

WHEREAS, under the General Welfare Clause of R.A 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, local government units are mandated to ensure and support the promotion of health and safety as well as preserve the comfort and convenience of their constituents;

WHEREAS, in the interest of health and safety of the residents of Quezon City, the City government prohibited the grazing and roaming at large of large cattle and domestic animals through Ordinance No. 5686, S-64;

WHEREAS, the City government's impounding shed is no longer operational, thus, rendering it impossible to implement said Ordinance;

WHEREAS, countless complaints have been aired and made against domesticated and stray animals whose owners do not take unto themselves the responsibility of restraining said animals within the confines of their yards or residences;

WHEREAS, dog biting incidence and excrements of these animals on the streets and other public places pose threats to the health and safety of the general public with the excrements additionally serving as eyesores;

WHEREAS, these health hazards come in the way of risks to health, and since animal excrements attract insects, thus, the spread of diseases is inevitable.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. Title. - This Ordinance shall be otherwise known as "City Pound of Quezon City."

SECTION 2. Coverage. - This Ordinance shall cover all dogs, canine, fowls, large cattles and other domestic animals owned by residents of, or found within, the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City.

SECTION 3. Creation of City Pound Section. - There is hereby created a City Pound Section which shall be under the direct control and supervision of the Chief of the Veterinary Services Division, Quezon City Health Department.

SECTION 4. City Corral. - The City government shall identify and provide for the suitable place as site for a corral or city pound where stray animals shall be confined or impounded after being caught.

SECTION 5. Staffing Pattern and Remuneration. - The City Pound shall have the following personnel with the corresponding remuneration.

STAFFING PATTERN, PERSONAL SERVICES AND REMUNERATION
FOR THE QUEZON CITY POUND SECTION

No. of Position	POSITION TITLE	SALARY GRADE	SALARY/ MONTH	SALARY/ ANNUM
1	VETERINARIAN III	19		
2	VETERINARIAN I	13	P16,792.00	P201,504.00
4	POUND KEEPER II	6	11,837.00	284,088.00
4	ANIMAL KEEPER I	6	7,606.00	365,088.00
2	DRIVER II	4	7,606.00	365,088.00
2	UTILITY WORKER	3	6,522.00	156,528.00
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TOTAL BASIC ANNUAL SALARY ----- P1,517,232.00

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ACA	P	90,000.00
PERA		90,000.00
Philhealth		22,500.00
PAG-IBIG Fund		8,000.00
Life and Retirement		209,548.00
Clothing Allowance		60,000.00
State Insurance Fund		18,000.00
Cash Gift		75,000.00
13 th Month Pay		145,524.00
Incentive Pay		72,762.00

TOTAL ANNUAL BENEFITS ----- P 801,334.00

TOTAL AMOUNT FOR PERSONAL SERVICES ----- P2,318,566.00
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SECTION 6. City Pound Equipment. - The City Veterinarian is hereby authorized to purchase the following tools and equipment for the exclusive use by the City Pound Section:

- One (1) unit station wagon
- One (1) unit van for transporting apprehended stray animals
- One (1) unit refrigerating case or cold storage for storing medicines, vaccines and serum
- Other miscellaneous small tools like tags, leashes, and the like.

SECTION 7. Functions.- The City Pound Section shall have the following duties and functions:

A. General

1. To license and regulate the keeping of domestic and domesticated animals;
2. To enforce all laws pertaining to the prevention of cruelty to animals;
3. To take all necessary measures to prevent all forms of animal diseases;
4. To control the spread of rabies;
5. To minimize the incidence of death due to rabies;
6. To maintain a system of identifying vaccinated animals;
7. To eliminate stray and ownerless animals;
8. To systematize the search for missing pets and other animals through registration; and
9. To bring the cost of animal medicinal care within the reach of every inhabitant especially the low income families.

B. Specific

1. To render free anti-rabies immunization to all pets in order to protect the family members and the public at large from contracting rabies through animal bites;
2. To have a complete and updated list of dogs in each barangay in all the districts of Quezon City, and
3. To enforce all laws and ordinances relative to the licensing of pets and their submission to anti-rabies immunization.

SECTION 8. Keeping of Animals. - Dogs and other animals covered by this Ordinance shall be kept by their owners encaged, leashed, tied, or collared at home or in any suitable place to prevent them from roaming loose, straying or roaming around the streets and other public places.

SECTION 9. Impoundment of Stray Animals. - Animals found to be wandering, straying or roving unattended in streets or public places are considered stray animals and they shall be caught by proper authorities and impounded in designated City pound.

SECTION 10. Notification of Animal Owners. - Within twenty-four (24) hours from the time a stray animal is caught and impounded, the City Veterinarian, upon proper coordination with the punong barangay of the place where such animal was caught, shall notify the owner or caretaker thereof if known, and cause a notice of the impoundment of the animal to be posted in three conspicuous public places in the barangay and in the Quezon City Hall.

SECTION 11. Disposition of Impounded Animals. - Impounded animals may be redeemed by and released to the owner or rightful claimant after payment of not more than Two Hundred Pesos (P200.00) per day to cover the cost of impoundment and maintenance thereof.

SECTION 12. Liability for Damages. - The Chief of the Veterinary Services Division or his authorized representative shall not be held administratively liable for the death or injuries sustained by the impounded animals during their period of impoundment, Provided, however, that said officials shall have exercised due diligence of a good father of the family in the keeping and maintenance of said animals.

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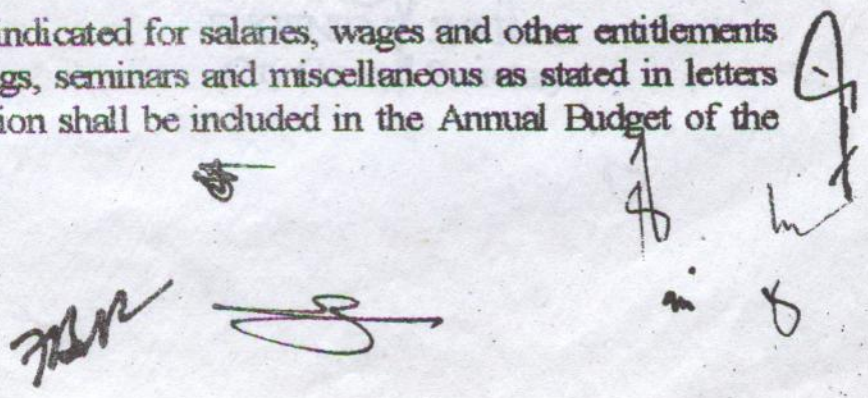
SECTION 13. Creation of a Committee and its Composition. - A committee to be composed of the following is hereby created to formulate and issue the appropriate rules and regulations necessary for an effective and efficient implementation of the provisions of this Ordinance sixty (60) days from effectivity hereof.

- a) City Health Officer - Chairperson
- b) Head, Parks Development & Admin. Department - Member
- c) President, Liga ng mga Barangay - Member
- d) CPDO Superintendent - Member
- e) City Secretary - Member

SECTION 14. Appropriation. - The amount of Seven Million Seven Hundred Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Six Pesos (P7,718,566.00) is hereby appropriated from any available funds in the Office of the City Mayor, for the establishment of the City Pound, broken down as follows:

- a) Capital Outlay for the City Pound building construction - P2,500,000.00
 - b) Purchase of vehicles, equipment and tools for the City Pound Section under Sec. 6 hereof - 2,500,000.00
 - c) Salaries, Wages, and other emoluments of the Personnel of the City Pound Section as provided in Sec. 5 hereof - 2,318,566.00
 - d) Training/Seminars and Miscellaneous Expenses of the City Pound Section - 200,000.00
 - e) Maintenance and Supplies - 200,000.00
- Total - P7,718,566.00
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Thereafter, the sums indicated for salaries, wages and other entitlements personnel and for trainings, seminars and miscellaneous as stated in letters a) and e) above of this section shall be included in the Annual Budget of the City.

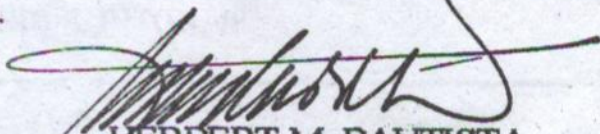


SECTION 15. Separability Clause. - If any provision of this Ordinance be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts not so affected shall not be affected and shall continue to remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 16. Repealing Clause. - All ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 17. Effectivity. - This Ordinance shall take effect (3) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

ENACTED: January 20, 2004.

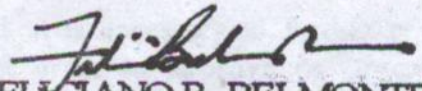


HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

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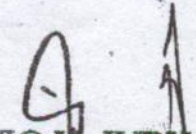
EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary

APPROVED: Feb 18, 2004


FELICIANO R. BELMONTE, JR.
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance which was originally approved on First Reading on November 25, 2003 and Third Reading on December 2, 2003 was reverted back to Second Reading on January 20, 2004 and was APPROVED on Second Reading and Third Reading by the City Council on the date under Suspended Rules.


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary