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AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE CITY INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE AND THE QC OPEN INFRA DASHBOARD, PROVIDING FOR ITS COMPOSITION, FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 28, Article II of the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines, the State adopts and implements a policy of full public disclosure of all its transactions involving public interests subject to reasonable conditions prescribed by law;

WHEREAS, Section 7, Article III of the said Constitution guarantees the right of the people to information on matters of public concern;

WHEREAS, Section 16, Article XIII of the same Constitution provides that the right of the people and their organizations to effective and reasonable participation at all levels of social, political, and economic decision-making shall not be abridged;

WHEREAS, the same Section 16, Article XIII provides that the State shall, by law, facilitate the establishment of adequate consultation mechanisms;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10173, otherwise known as the Data Privacy Act of 2012, mandates the protection of personal information and requires appropriate safeguards in the collection, processing, and disclosure of data, ensuring that transparency mechanisms respect the fundamental human right to privacy;

WHEREAS, Quezon City Ordinance No. SP-3238, S-2023, otherwise known as the "Data Privacy Act Ordinance of Quezon City," operationalizes the national data privacy framework at the local level, explicitly mandating that the data privacy rights of affected data subjects shall be harmonized with the right to information on matters of public concern;

WHEREAS, Quezon City Ordinance No. SP-2863, S-2019, otherwise known as the Quezon City Freedom of Information Ordinance of 2019, provides a local mechanism where the people's right to information is respected and upheld, subject to exceptions provided by law and jurisprudence.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. TITLE. – This Ordinance shall be known as the "Open Infrastructure and Public Oversight Ordinance of Quezon City."

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. – The Quezon City Government hereby recognizes the need to ensure transparency, accountability, efficiency, and inclusivity in all government infrastructure projects, especially in the planning, procurement, implementation, and oversight of government infrastructure projects. Pursuant to the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines, the Local Government Code of 1991, the Anti-Graft and Corrupt Practices Act, the New Government Procurement Act, and the Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act, and other applicable national laws and issuances, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Quezon City shall institutionalize an Infrastructure Committee to oversee and monitor the planning and implementation of infrastructure projects in Quezon City and ensure transparency of infrastructure projects by implementing a multi-stakeholder approach, and to mandate the use of the QC Infra Dashboard to ensure transparency and accountability in Quezon City-funded infrastructure projects within the City's territorial jurisdiction.

This Declaration of Policy shall guide the interpretation and implementation of this Ordinance and serve as the foundational principle for all related rules, procedures, and instruments enacted pursuant to the same.

SECTION 3. OBJECTIVES. – The objectives of this Ordinance are as follows:

(a) To institutionalize "OPEN INFRA DASHBOARD" as the official transparency and public oversight mechanism for all Quezon City Government–funded infrastructure projects;

(b) Ensure that infrastructure planning, procurement, implementation, monitoring, and completion are conducted in a manner that is transparent, participatory, efficient, and accountable;

(c) Provide the public with full, timely, and accessible information on all Quezon City Government-funded infrastructure projects;

(d) Strengthen public confidence in City governance by ensuring that infrastructure funds are utilized efficiently and solely for their intended purposes;

(e) Establish a structured platform for independent, multisectoral oversight that promotes shared responsibility and collaborative monitoring of infrastructure projects;

(f) Prevent and deter corruption, wastage, unnecessary delays, and substandard implementation of infrastructure projects through enhanced transparency and active community involvement; and

(g) Align all City infrastructure initiatives with the principles of good governance, open data, citizen engagement, and value-for-money in public service delivery.

SECTION 4. QUEZON CITY INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE (INFRACOMM). – The Quezon City Infrastructure Committee (INFRACOMM) and its Technical Working Group (TWG) which are hereby organized, shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson:	*City Mayor*
Co-Chairperson:	*City Administrator* *City Engineer*
Vice Chairperson:	*City Architect*
Members:	*Assistant City Administrator for Operations* *Head, City Planning and Development Department* *City Budget Officer* *Head, Department of Building Official* *Head, Parks Development and Administration Department* *Head, City Legal Department* *Action Officers of the District Action Offices*
Ex-Officio Members:	*City Councilor depending on the location of the Project*
Advisory Members:	*At least two (2) Representatives from accredited local business chambers, or professional associations with construction and engineering technical expertise* *At least two (2) Representative from a duly accredited people's organization, non-governmental organization, the academe, or community groups.*

At any time, the City Mayor, as the Chairperson, may change the composition of the INFRACOMM for it to be more responsive to the goals of this Ordinance.

The TWG, which requires technical expertise, and the Secretariat shall be appointed by the INFRACOMM.

Advisory Members shall be appointed by the City Mayor, as the Chairperson of the INFRACOMM, upon the recommendation of the INFRACOMM. The procedures for nomination, screening, evaluation, and appointment shall be established in the Implementing Rules and Regulations.

No person shall be appointed as an Advisory Member or, if already appointed, shall be removed from the INFRACOMM, if any of the following circumstances are present:

(a) The individual is a contractor, subcontractor, supplier, bidder, or has an existing contractual relationship with the Quezon City Government or with any entity that is a party to a contract involving infrastructure projects;

(b) The individual has a family member of up to fourth (4th) civil degree by affinity or consanguinity, including his or her domestic partner, who holds employment or a significant ownership interest of more than five percent (5%) in any private sector entity that is a contractor, supplier, bidder, or has an existing contractual relationship with the Quezon City Government involving infrastructure projects;

(c) The individual has been convicted by final judgment of an offense involving moral turpitude, corruption, procurement-related irregularities, or any offense punishable by imprisonment of more than six (6) months; or

(d) The individual holds an elective position in a political party or is a candidate for public office during the term of appointment.

SECTION 5. DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS. – The INFRACOMM shall have the following functions, to wit:

(a) Audit and oversight of local infrastructure projects;

(b) Conduct continuing studies and consultations with various sectors of the City and different agencies to determine the infrastructure needs of the City;

(c) Ensure that infrastructure projects are aligned with the officially adopted Local Development Investment Program (LDIP) and the Annual Investment Program (AIP);

(d) Prioritize identified infrastructure project proposals according to their degree of urgency and availability of funds;

(e) Ensure public access to information relating to all infrastructure projects;

(f) Cause the preparation of technical documents, plans, and cost estimates for priority infrastructure project proposals;

(g) Recommend to the City Mayor projects that can be implemented; and

(h) Strengthen participatory governance and enhance community engagement in infrastructure monitoring through the establishment and utilization of accessible platforms such as barangay-level consultations, public forums and hearings, digital reporting and feedback systems, official City websites and social media channels, and other community-based and online platforms.

SECTION 6. ADDITIONAL ROLE OF THE ADVISORY MEMBERS. – Advisory members shall monitor, review, and verify compliance of all local infrastructure projects with applicable national and local laws, ordinances, procurement rules, regulatory requirements, and approved project authorizations, and report observed irregularities to the INFRACOMM. In this regard, the Advisory Members shall provide progress reports of all approved projects of the INFRACOMM, with the assistance of the Department of Engineering, based on ocular and technical inspections conducted on the construction site. These reports shall be submitted to INFRACOMM every quarter, or as may be required, depending on the length of the infrastructure project being monitored.

SECTION 7. SECRETARIAT. – The Secretariat shall be responsible for providing assistance to the INFRACOMM, the performance of their functions, specifically on the provision of administrative and logistical services, preparation of meeting agendas, and documentation of meetings and INFRACOMM-related activities, as well as reporting to the Office of the City Mayor.

SECTION 8. CONVENING OF THE INFRACOMM. – The INFRACOMM shall schedule a meeting every month to review the accomplished, ongoing, or planned infrastructure projects of the City, or as frequently as may be necessary.

SECTION 9. QC OPEN INFRA DASHBOARD. – To ensure transparency, accountability, and meaningful public participation in local infrastructure governance, the QC Open Infra Dashboard is institutionalized as the official platform for the disclosure of Quezon City Government-funded infrastructure-related information. In line with the Commission on Audit Circular No. 2013-004 dated January 30, 2013, Item 2.2.3, the following documents and information shall, at a minimum, be disclosed for each infrastructure project and must be made available in the Quezon City Open Infrastructure Dashboard:

(a) Project Title;
(b) Project Number;
(c) Location (Barangay, District);
(d) Contractor;
(e) Project Cost;
(f) Funding Source;

(g) Project Duration;
(h) Date Started;
(i) Target Date of Completion; and
(j) Percent (%) of Completion (and As of Date, Cost Incurred to Date).

Consistent with the Commission on Audit Circular No. 2013-004 dated January 30, 2013, Item 3.1, the aforementioned infrastructure-related information shall be uploaded to and made publicly accessible through the QC Open Infra Dashboard within ten (10) days after the award of the project, which is indicated by the Notice of Award.

For further transparency, the QC Open Infra Dashboard will also contain the following:

(a) Geographic Information System (GIS) Location; and
(b) Project Images (Completion Photos, Weekly Progress Photos).

SECTION 10. COMPLIANCE WITH FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (FOI) AND DATA PRIVACY. – In accordance with Quezon City Ordinance No. SP-2863, S-2019, otherwise known as the Quezon City Freedom of Information Ordinance of 2019, there shall be a legal presumption in favor of access to information, public records, and official records pertaining to all City-funded infrastructure projects.

The QC Open Infra Dashboard shall act as a proactive disclosure mechanism embodying the City's "Disclose to One, Disclose to All" policy. Every Filipino shall have the right to access information, official acts, transactions, and decisions related to these projects, subject only to the approved Comprehensive List of Local Inventory of Exceptions. Furthermore, the INFRACOMM and relevant City departments shall exercise reasonable diligence to ensure that no exception is improperly used to deny any request for information if such denial is intended primarily to cover up wrongdoing, graft, or corruption.

Nothwithstanding the presumption of access to information, the Quezon City Government shall afford full protection to the right to privacy of every individual. Any personal information of the public, including citizens participating in feedback mechanisms, reporting platforms, or public consultations, shall be kept strictly confidential and protected against unauthorized leaks or premature disclosure to ensure the safety and protection of individuals. The processing and disclosure of any such data shall be in strict compliance with Republic Act No. 10173, otherwise known as the Data Privacy Act of 2012, and Quezon City Ordinance No. SP-3238, S-2023, otherwise known as the Data Privacy Act Ordinance of Quezon City, ensuring that the data privacy rights of affected data subjects are properly harmonized with the right to information on matters of public concern.

SECTION 11. APPROPRIATIONS. – For the effective implementation of this Ordinance and the operations of the INFRACOMM, the necessary funds shall be sourced from the annual budget of the Quezon City Government, specifically under the appropriations for the Engineering Department or other relevant offices involved in infrastructure planning, monitoring, and transparency initiatives.

The funds shall cover, but shall not be limited to:

a. *operational expenses of the INFRACOMM, including meetings, documentation, and administrative requirements;*

b. *development, maintenance, and enhancement of the QC Open Infra Dashboard and related information systems;*

c. *capacity-building programs, trainings, and workshops for INFRACOMM members and community stakeholders;*

d. *conduct of field inspections, project validation activities, and technical assessments;*

e. *publication and dissemination of reports, advisories, and public information materials; and*

f. *other expenses necessary for the full and effective implementation of QC Open Infra Dashboard.*

The City Mayor may approve supplemental funding, when necessary, subject to existing laws, rules, and budgetary procedures.

SECTION 12. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS. – Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Ordinance, the Quezon City Engineering Department, in coordination with the INFRACOMM and other concerned offices, shall formulate and issue the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) necessary for its effective implementation.

The IRR shall provide the operational guidelines for disclosure of project information, monitoring and reporting procedures, coordination mechanisms among departments and stakeholders, and other matters needed to carry out the intent of this Ordinance.

The IRR shall take effect upon approval by the City Mayor and shall be posted in accordance with existing laws and regulations.

SECTION 13. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. – If any provision of this Ordinance is declared void or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions thereof shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 14. REPEALING CLAUSE. – All ordinances, executive orders, rules, or regulations inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 15. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. – This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its posting in conspicuous places and publication in a newspaper of general circulation within Quezon City.

ENACTED: May 11, 2026.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was ENACTED by the City Council on Second Reading on May 11, 2026 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on May 20, 2026.

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Presiding Officer

APPROVED: JUL 09 2026

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City Mayor

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City Government Department Head III
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