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(City Council)

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ORDINANCE NO. SP- 914, S-2000

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A MECHANISM FOR THE FULL MOBILIZATION OF THE BARANGAYS IN THE PROTECTION OF OPEN SPACES FROM THE ENCROACHMENT OF ILLEGAL SETTLERS.

Introduced by Councilors JORGE L. BANAL, GODOFREDO T. LIBAN II, VINCENT P. CRISOLOGO, GEORGE M. CANSECO, ROMMEL R. ABESAMIS, MARCIANO P. MEDALLA, ERIC Z. MEDINA and MARVIN C. RILLO.

WHEREAS, hand in hand with the City's efforts to house the urban poor under the Community Mortgage Program and award/sell certain alienable lands to the actual occupants in consonance with existing laws, there is also an urgent need to protect the remaining government-owned open spaces and vacant lots from illegal settlers and activities;

WHEREAS, Section 384, Chapter I of RA 7160 provides, that the Barangay is the primary planning and implementing unit of government policies, plans, programs, projects and activities in the community;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Barangay under Section 391 (18), Chapter 4 of the aforesaid ~~law~~ is mandated to "adopt measures to prevent and control the proliferation of squatters and mendicants in the Barangay;"

WHEREAS, under Section 389 (a), Chapter 3 of the same Act, the Punong Barangay is mandated to "enforce all laws and ordinances which are applicable within the barangay;"

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby created in each barangay thirty (30) days after the approval of this Ordinance, a Barangay Task Force for the Protection of Open Spaces, hereinafter referred to as Task Force, to be composed of the following:

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| 1. Barangay Chairman | - | Chairman |
| 2. Homeowners Association President | - | Vice-Chairman |
| 3. Two (2) Lupong Tagapamayapa Members | - | Members |
| 4. BSDO Executive Officer | - | Member |
| 5. Church Representative | - | Member |
| 6. Sangguniang Kabataan Chairman | - | Member |

In cases where there are more than one (1) homeowners associations in a barangay, the association with the biggest number of active members will be the one represented.

The two (2) Lupong Tagapamayapa members of the Task Force shall be elected by the Lupong Tagapamayapa from among themselves.

The Church representatives shall be from the Church with the most number of followers in the Barangay concerned.

SECTION 2. The Task Force is hereby authorized to deputize any or all Barangay Security and Development Officers (BSDOs) in the barangay for the protection of government open spaces and vacant lots.

SECTION 3. The Task Force shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- a. To act as the barangay's arm in the protection of government-owned open spaces and vacant lots from illegal settlers and activities;
- b. In coordination with Quezon City's People's Bureau, to maintain a duly certified updated list of all government-owned open spaces and vacant lots in the barangay;
- c. To call on any government enforcement agency to assist it in the performance of its duties which will include the police, the City Engineering Department Office, the Peoples Bureau, the City Planning and Development Office the Department of Public Order and Safety and other concerned government offices and instrumentalities, all of which shall be duty-bound under this ordinance to respond at the fastest time possible;
- d. To help the government ensure that aside from illegal structures, no illegal activities are conducted in any open spaces or vacant lots in the barangay;
- e. To help ensure that all laws, rules and regulations governing open spaces are strictly observed;
- f. To adopt measures for the continuous and effective monitoring of all open spaces in a certified list of open spaces;
- g. To immediately report to the City government, through the People's Bureau, any development/activity concerning government-owned open spaces and vacant lots:

SECTION 4. The Quezon City's People's Bureau is hereby tasked to ensure that all Barangay Task Forces herein created are provided with lists of government-owned open spaces and vacant lots in their respective jurisdiction within six (6) months after the approval of this Ordinance which it would certify as to the completeness and current conditions/status; and to extend all appropriate and necessary assistance to the Task Forces in consonance with this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. Any government official or employee found to have deliberately withheld assistance to the Task Forces without a justifiable reason shall be subject to the following sanctions;

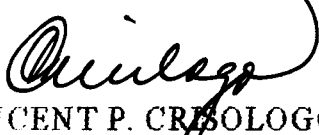
- a. First Offense - 30 days suspension without pay
- b. Second Offense within 12 months of last offense - 60 days suspension without pay
- c. Third Offense within 12 months 1st and 2nd offense - 90 days suspension without pay
- d. Fourth offense within 12 months 1st, 2nd and 3rd offense - dismissal from the service

SECTION 6. All Ordinances, Resolutions and City Issuances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.


SECTION 7. If, for any reason/s, any part or portion of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or portion thereof not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 8. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ADOPTED : May 30, 2000.


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