

## Republic of the Philippines QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

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

PO22CC-106

21st Regular Session

ORDINANCE NO. SP- 3168, S-2023

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ARTICLE 31, CHAPTER V, OF ORDINANCE NO. SP-91, S-1993, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE QUEZON CITY REVENUE CODE OF 1993, WHICH IMPOSES CLEARANCE FEES AND THUS REMOVING THE COLLECTION OF SUCH UNDER THE OFFICE OF THE CITY TREASURER.

Introduced by Councilors DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D., SHAIRA "Shay" L. LIBAN and WENCEROM BENEDICT C. LAGUMBAY.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Joseph P. Juico, Nikki V. Crisologo, Charm M. Ferrer, Fernando Miguel "Mikey" F. Belmonte, Candy A. Medina, Aly Medalla, Dave C. Valmocina, Tatay Rannie Z. Ludovica, Godofredo T. Liban II, Geleen "Dok G" G. Lumbad, Albert Alvin "Chuckie" L. Antonio III, Don S. De Leon, Atty. Anton L. Reyes, Edgar "Egay" G. Yap, Imee A. Rillo, Irene R. Belmonte, Marra C. Suntay, Joseph Joe Visaya, Alfred Vargas, MPA, Ram V. Medalla, Aiko S. Melendez, Mutya Castelo, Maria Eleanor "Doc Ellie" R. Juan, O.D., Kristine Alexia R. Matias, Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Vito Sotto Generoso, Victor "Vic" Bernardo, Alfredo "Freddy" Roxas and Noe Dela Fuente.

WHEREAS, Article 31, Chapter V of Ordinance No. SP-91, S-1993, otherwise known as the Quezon City Revenue Code of 1993, imposes, under Section 133 thereof, police clearance fees in an amount specified therein, depending on the purpose for which the police clearance is secured;

WHEREAS, NAPOLCOM Resolution No. 2016-393 dated June 17, 2016 authorized the Philippine National Police to adopt and implement a Philippine National Police Clearance System as a tool for the maintenance of Peace and Order and to ensure public safety;

WHEREAS, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Administrative Order No. 2016-01 dated June 17, 2016 likewise authorized the Philippine National Police to design and implement the National Police Clearance System;

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WHEREAS, pursuant to the foregoing NAPOLCOM Resolution and DILG Administrative Order, the Philippine National Police issued Memorandum Circular No. 2018-020 dated May 8, 2018, providing for the Guidelines and Procedures in the implementation of the National Police Clearance System (NPCS);

WHEREAS, the Guidelines and Procedures in the implementation of the National Police Clearance System are geared towards the integration of the PNP crime-related data bases and a buildup in finger prints and facial photo databases of all applicants, which will entail a cost which may not be in harmony with the fees imposed for police clearance under the Quezon City Revenue Code of 1993;

WHEREAS, the Guidelines and Procedures in the implementation of the National Police Clearance System also provides for the creation of a central payment gateway administered by the Philippine National Police;

WHEREAS, in order to avoid confusion for those applying for a police clearance and still rely as payment therefor the fees imposed under the Quezon City Revenue Code of 1993 and its related provisions, there is now an urgent need to repeal Article 31, Chapter V, thereof.

## NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. COVERAGE. - The provisions of Sections 133, 134 and 135, Article 31, Chapter V, of the Quezon City Revenue Code of 1993, are hereby removed.

SECTION 2. PROHIBITION. - The City Treasurer is hereby prohibited from accepting payments for the National Police Clearance until such time that an agreement is entered into with the Department of the Interior and Local Government or the Philippine National Police, appointing the Quezon City Local Government as a partner in the collection system for the fees of the said National Police Clearance.

SECTION 3. REPEALING CLAUSE. - All Ordinances, Executive Orders or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby amended, modified, and repealed accordingly.

SECTION 4. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. - If, for any reason, parts or provisions of this Ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

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SECTION 5. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. - This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED: February 6, 2023.

BERNARD R. HERRERA Acting City Vice Mayor Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ADFEROS III City Government Dept. Head III

APPROVED: \_\_FEB 2 7 2023

GIAN G. SOTTO Acting City Mayor

## **CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on February 6, 2023 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on February 13, 2023.

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III City Government Dept. Head III