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AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES FOR A
UNIFIED APPROACH ON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT.

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WHEREAS, it has been observed that some of the households, owners/operators/tenants of business and commercial establishments and institutions indiscriminately put/store their garbage outside their fences or within their immediate premises which serve as the feeding ground for cats and dogs thereby causing the garbage to spill and scatter and at the same time attracts insects, pests and vermin in these areas;

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the state to protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, it is the duty of every citizen to keep and maintain his surroundings clean and wholesome;

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 825 provides for the proper disposal of garbage and other forms of uncleanness;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code of 1991, as amended, empowers the local government units to enact/approve ordinances which shall ensure an efficient and effective system of solid waste and garbage collection and disposal and prohibit littering and the placing or throwing of garbage, refuse, other filths and wastes;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod recognizes the urgent need to have unified solid waste management system for households, business establishments and institution within the City to maintain and promote cleanliness.

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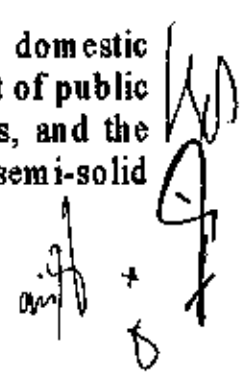
NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. Short Title. This ordinance shall otherwise be known as the
Unified Approach on Solid Waste Management.

SECTION 2. Definition of Terms.

- 2.1. BULKY WASTE - Waste that has large volume by itself, generally materials with a length of more than one meter e.g. refrigerator and other appliances, furniture, large branches of trees.
- 2.2. COLLECTION - The gathering of stored waste, setting it out and hauling them to transfer stations or to other facilities.
- 2.3. COLLECTION EQUIPMENT - Vehicle used in the gathering of stored waste set out for collection.
- 2.4. COLLECTION SCHEDULE - Designated time given for the collection of waste in the route.
- 2.5. DISCHARGE OR SET OUT - Putting or setting out of stored waste set out for collection.
- 2.6. GARBAGE COLLECTOR - Any person tasked to pick up stored waste set out for collection.
- 2.7. JUNK DEALER - Any person engaged in recovering recyclable materials as a trade or business.
- 2.8. LITTER - Waste improperly set out or scattered, with a volume of one (1) liter (1,000 ml.) or less.
- 2.9. SCAVENGING - The act of opening stored waste set out for collection and disposal to retrieve recyclable or reusable materials.
- 2.10. SOLID WASTE - A non-liquid waste material arising from domestic or household. It also includes waste arising from the conduct of public services such as street sweepings, clean-and-green activities, and the clearing of typhoon-wrought debris or any solid or semi-solid



material, resulting from human and animal activities that are considered useless, unwanted, or hazardous. It shall further refer to any material that becomes waste only when a specific owner ceases to have use for it.

2.10. STORAGE - Isolation of waste from the environment to prevent health hazard and to facilitate collection.

2.11. TOXIC & HAZARDOUS WASTE - Waste that is harmful to human beings, plants and animals and to the environment.

SECTION 3. Basic Concepts. - Any waste should be left in the place of purchase or in the household and no other person or individual in between has the obligation to keep that waste. The City has no obligation to put up trash/receptacle for anybody. All stores, establishments and households are required to have suitable trash receptacle to keep ones garbage to be kept inside its premises and not on the sidewalk except during scheduled collection days.

SECTION 4. Storage of Waste.

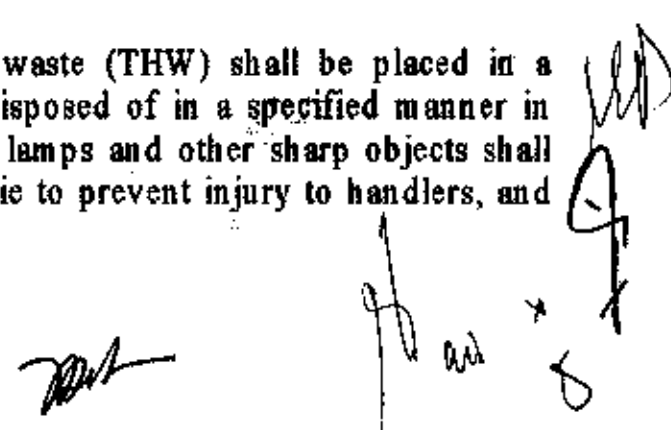
4.1. Waste shall be stored only in the place of purchase or in the household. Under no circumstances shall waste be stored in any other place. Waste shall be stored only within the premises of the generator.

On collection day, the waste may be placed immediately beside the fence of the owner. The waste shall be packed and tied to avoid from scattering and spillage.

4.2. Waste shall be stored and set out for collection in a closed plastic bag or any appropriate container to avoid the entry of insects, pest and vermins; escape of bad odor; and spillage of leachate. Unpacked, improperly packed and spilled garbage shall not be collected.

Spilled garbage due to improper packing shall not be collected. The owner shall be responsible in sweeping, cleaning and repacking of the spilled garbage and shall clean the mess caused by it.

4.3. Household toxic and hazardous waste (THW) shall be placed in a separate appropriate container and shall be disposed of in a specified manner in accordance with RA 6969. Broken glasses or lamps and other sharp objects shall be securely enclosed in hard cardboard with tie to prevent injury to handlers, and rip and tear of bags/containers.



SECTION 5. Discharge or set out waste for collection.

5.1. Waste shall be set out for collection only within the scheduled date and time of collection.

5.2. Household, commercial establishments and institutions shall set out their waste conspicuously only in front of their premises during the designated collection day.

5.3. Bulky waste shall be collected separately or scheduled for special collections subject to special arrangement with the LGU.

5.4. No burning of waste shall be allowed at source.

SECTION 6. Waste collection system.

6.1. The City government shall be responsible in collecting the garbage door to door on the specified collection day without fail. The City shall share this responsibility with the barangays in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Code, as amended.

6.2. The City shall coordinate with the barangays and homeowners association, if there is any, the setting-up of the type of collection that will be used.

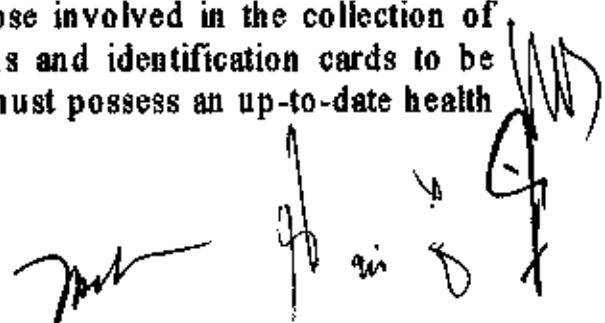
6.3. The Barangays shall submit a designated route during collection schedules to the Environmental Protection and Waste Management Department, within thirty (30) days from approval hereof.

6.4. All trips during collection shall be required to have a trip ticket indicating the Barangay as well as the route of the trip will cover.

6.5. Only the authorized garbage collector shall be allowed to handle the waste from the generators.

6.6. Selling, scavenging and sorting or "bulasi" by the garbage collection crew shall not be allowed at all times. Violation of this rule shall be the cause of outright dismissal of the employee and the contractor shall be held liable for its crew and may cause the suspension or termination of the contract of the contractor.

6.7. All garbage collectors, drivers and those involved in the collection of refuse shall be required to wear proper uniforms and identification cards to be prescribed by the City Health Department. They must possess an up-to-date health certificate issued by the City Health Officer.



6.8. The garbage collector shall empty and return all containers to the designated collection area with care. Paper and other temporary containers shall be collected.

6.9. The garbage collector shall not dent, bend or otherwise damage or alter the condition of the container.

6.10. Waste collected shall only be transported directly to the prescribed disposal site.

6.11. Junk dealers are not allowed to collect recyclable materials during the scheduled days of collection.

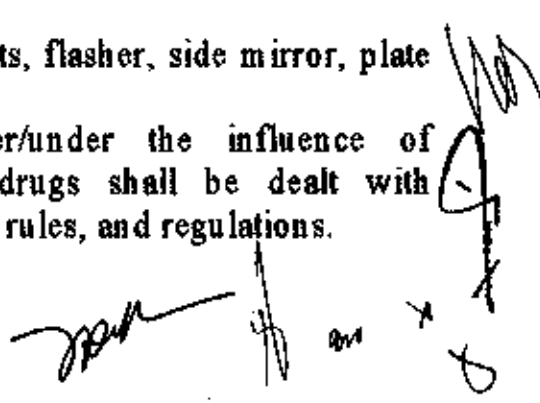
6.12. Scrap buying and selling shall not be allowed during the scheduled collection days.

SECTION 7. Waste Collection Truck Standards.

7.1. Collection Equipment Standards

- a. All collection equipment shall be registered with the City government to ensure the proper markings, safety and sanitation of the vehicle;
- b. All collection equipment shall be provided with the visible and proper markings of plate and body number on both sides, name and telephone number of the contractor. Markings shall have a minimum of twenty (20) centimeters (8 inches) in height.
- c. All collection trucks shall be in good body condition and equipped with tools and spare tires. No sacks nor any eyesore must be seen hanging alongside the trucks.
- d. All collection trucks shall meet the emission standards set by the DENR including smoke-belching standards.
- e. Collection trucks and all equipment shall be kept clean and properly maintained and shall be washed after each disposal.

7.2. Waste Collection/Transport Standard.

- a. All trucks shall be properly covered to prevent spillage of garbage and escape of odor when traveling.
 - b. All trucks shall have complete taillights, flasher, side mirror, plate number, tailgate, wiper and horn.
 - c. Reckless driving/irresponsible driver/under the influence of alcohol, regulated and prohibited drugs shall be dealt with according to existing laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations.
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- d. Owners and operators of trucks shall sanitize, disinfect and deodorize the collection trucks before leaving the dispatching area and after its disposal.
- e. All trucks shall be equipped with proper cleaning and clearing tools, e.g. brooms, dustpans, spade, shovels, etc. for cleaning and collecting spilled garbage caused by the collector's improper handling.

SECTION 8. Conduct of Public Information, Education and Communication (IEC) Campaigns. - The city government in cooperation with the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) shall conduct a massive public awareness campaign to inform and instruct the people and communicate with people and all stakeholders on matters relative to the implementation of the Unified Approach on Solid Waste Management.

SECTION 9. Administrative Procedure and Imposable Administrative Fines.

9.1 Issuance of Citation Ticket - Violator/s of any provisions of this Ordinance shall be issued Citation/Violation Ticket by the environmental/sanitation police/enforcer or deputized sanitary enforcers/inspectors informing them of the nature of the infraction committed and the corresponding fines to be paid.

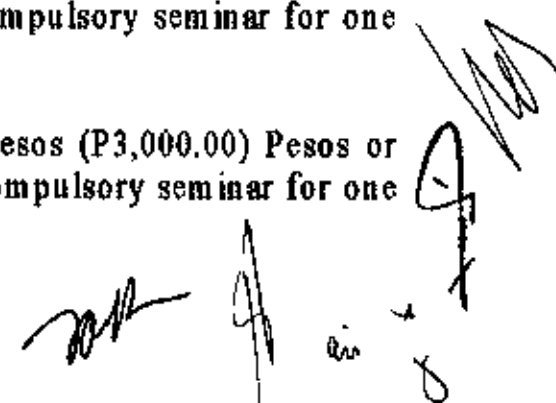
9.2 Payment of Fines - If the violator is a corporation, firm, institution or other corporate entities, the president, manager or person responsible for its operation shall be held liable. The head of the association or owner of a mall, condominium, tenement house and household shall be held solidarily liable in case of violation of this Ordinance.

9.3 Imposable Fines:

9.3.1 1st Offense - A fine of One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) Pesos or community service of one (1) day and compulsory seminar for one (1) day.

9.3.2 2nd Offense - A fine of Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00) Pesos or community service of two (2) days and compulsory seminar for one (1) day.

9.3.3 3rd Offense - A fine of Three Thousand Pesos (P3,000.00) Pesos or community service of three (3) days and compulsory seminar for one (1) day or one (1) day imprisonment.



Refusal to pay the fine, on the third offense, shall authorize the Environmental Protection and Waste Management Department, to cause the institution of summary proceedings against the violator or the filing of necessary criminal charges in court.

9.3.4 Compliance to this ordinance shall be a pre-requisite to the issuance or renewal of business permit for commercial and industrial establishments.

SECTION 10. Collection and Disposition of Fines.

10.1. The City Treasurer's Office shall receive all payment of fines for violation of this Ordinance.

10.2. The fines collected in violation of this Ordinance shall accrue in favor of the following:

10.2.1. 60% to the City government general fund.

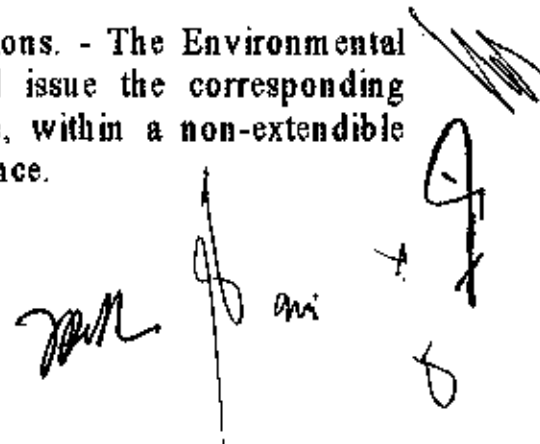
10.2.2. 25% to the barangay where the violation was committed to be expended exclusively for waste management-related projects in support of this ordinance.

10.2.3. 10% to fund Research and development projects related to waste management of the Environmental Protection and Waste Management Department.

10.2.4. 5% to fund the incentive program in support of this ordinance.

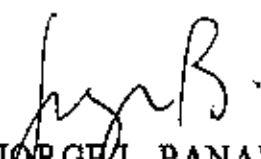
SECTION 11. Penal Provision. - Any person who shall violate, disobey, refuse, omit or neglect to comply with any of the provisions of these rules shall be punished by imprisonment for a period not exceeding six (6) months or the corresponding fine not exceeding Three Thousand Pesos (PhP3,000.00), or both at the discretion of the court.

SECTION 12. Implementing Rules and Regulations. - The Environmental Protection and Waste Management Department shall issue the corresponding implementing rules and regulations of this Ordinance, within a non-extendible period of ninety (90) days, from approval of this Ordinance.


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SECTION 13. Effectivity. - This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its full and complete publication in a newspaper of general circulation. Let all barangays be provided a copy of this Ordinance for their information and strict compliance.


ENACTED: September 16, 2003.


JORGE L. BANAL
President Pro-Tempore
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

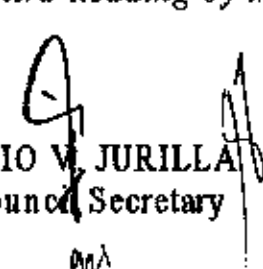

EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary

APPROVED: November 4, 2003


FELICIANO R. BELMONTE, JR
City Mayor

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

This is to certify that this Ordinance which was APPROVED on Second Reading on September 16, 2003, was finally PASSED on Third Reading by the City Council on October 7, 2003.


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary