

Republic of the Philippines OUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City 21st City Council

PO21CC-529

11th Special Session

ORDINANCE NO. SP- 3079 , S-2022

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. SP-2965, S-2020, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE MANDATING THE WEARING OF FACE SHIELD IN PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, WORKPLACES, MARKETS AND OTHER IDENTIFIED COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS, WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY" TO LIMIT THE USE OF FACE SHIELDS TO HOSPITALS AND OTHER HIGH-RISK AREAS.

Introduced by Councilors KATE GALANG-COSETENG, PEACHY V. DE LEON, DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D., FRANZ S. PUMAREN and DIORELLA MARIA G. SOTTO-ANTONIO.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Lena Marie P.
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Mikey F. Belmonte, Estrella C. Valmocina, Matias John T.
Defensor, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Jorge L.
Banal, Sr., Imee A. Rillo, Marra C. Suntay, Irene R.
Belmonte, Resty B. Malañgen, Ivy L. Lagman, Hero M.
Bautista, Jose A. Visaya, Karl Castelo, Patrick Michael
Vargas, Shaira L. Liban, Ram V. Medalla, Allan Butch T.
Francisco, Marivic Co Pilar, Melencio "Bobby" T.
Castelo, Jr., Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Donato "Donny" C.
Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Freddy S. Roxas and Noe Dela
Fuente.

WHEREAS, on August 24, 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City Council enacted Ordinance No. SP-2965, S-2020, entitled "An Ordinance Mandating The Wearing Of Face Shields In Public Transportation, Workplaces, Markets And Other Identified Commercial Establishments, Within The Territorial Jurisdiction Of Quezon City";

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2021, the Metro Manila Council issued Resolution No. 21-26 recommending that face shields be made mandatory only in designated high risk areas such as hospitals;

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2021, the Executive Secretary issued a Memorandum providing "Protocols on the Use of Face Shields", where the Executive Secretary stated that the President had approved the voluntary or discretionary use of face shields in localities under Alert Level 4 or lower, except for mandatory use in hospitals and quarantine facilities;

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WHEREAS, on December 31, 2021, the Inter-Agency Task Force issued Resolution No. 155 placing the National Capital Region on Alert Level 3, but did not include any requirement for the use of face shields, in effect reaffirming the above-mentioned Memorandum of the Executive Secretary;

WHEREAS, based on Book I, Title I, Chapter II, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, the City has the implied power to do all things necessary, appropriate, or incidental to govern efficiently and effectively, promote general welfare, promote health and safety, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. AMENDMENTS. - Sections 3 of Ordinance No. SP-2965, S-2020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 3. MANDATORY WEARING OF FACE SHIELD. - Under Alert Level 4 or lower, the wearing of face shields together with face masks shall be mandatory only in medical and quarantine facilities, and in other high risk areas that may be designated by the City Mayor in accordance with the guidelines of the Inter-Agency Task Force, the Metro Manila Council or the Office of the President.

Under Alert Level 5, all persons shall, at all times, wear face shield on top of a face mask while onboard public transportation, inside markets, or in indoor and enclosed spaces of identified commercial establishments and workplaces in Quezon City, regardless of the length of time in such public transportation, markets, or indoor and enclosed spaces of identified commercial establishments and workplaces, purpose for being there, or proximity to another person.

The wearing of visor-type face shields shall not be considered as compliance with this Ordinance.

If required under the foregoing provisions, face shields and face masks must always be worn together when interacting with colleagues, clients and/or visitors less than one (1) meter from each other in commercial establishments and workplaces, when in an indoor and enclosed space. However, face shields are not required to be worn by said persons if they are separated by a glass, acrylic, plastic, or similar non-permeable material that creates a barrier between their faces.

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Section 4 (Employer's Obligations) and Section 5 (Exceptions) of this Ordinance shall be deemed to apply to circumstances where face shields are required under the foregoing provisions."

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. - This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED: January 4, 2022.

GIAN G. SOTTO City Vice Mayor Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

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

APPROVED: JAN 0 6 2022

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading during its 11th Special Session held on January 4, 2022 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on the same date.

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

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