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Quezon City 21st City Council

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ORDINANCE NO. SP- 3131 , S-2022

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. SP-2337, S-2014, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE QUEZON CITY TRICYCLE MANAGEMENT CODE OF 2014, BY INCLUDING A PROVISIONAL FARE RATE AND INCREASING TRICYCLE LOAD UP TO FOUR (4) PASSENGERS INCLUDING THE DRIVER, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Introduced by Councilors FRANZ S. PUMAREN and RAMON P.

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Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Lena Marie P. Juico, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Nicole Ella V. Crisologo, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Atty. Bong Liban, Mikey F. Belmonte, Estrella C. Valmocina, Kate Galang-Coseteng, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Jorge L. Banal, Sr., Peachy V. De Leon, Imee A. Rillo, Marra C. Suntay, Irene R. Belmonte, Resty B. Malañgen, Ivy L. Lagman, Hero M. Bautista, Jose A. Visaya, Patrick Michael Vargas, Shaira L. Liban, Ram V. Medalla, Marivic Co Pilar, Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Diorella Maria G. Sotto-Antonio, Donato "Donny" C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Freddy S. Roxas and Noe Dela Fuente.

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2018, the Quezon City Council passed Ordinance No. SP-2757, S-2018 imposing a fare increase for all tricycles for hire in Quezon City from Eight Pesos (Php8.00) to Nine Pesos (Php9.00) per person for regular trips and from Sixteen Pesos (Php16.00) to Eighteen Pesos (Php18.00) for special trips, and an additional One Peso (Php1.00) for every kilometer thereafter;

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2020, City Ordinance No. SP-2950, S-2020, entitled, "An Ordinance imposing a Kalinga Fare for all tricycles and pedicab-for-hire in Quezon City during the Community Quarantine due to COVID-19 pandemic" was enacted setting the tricycle fare at Twenty Pesos (Php20.00) for single passenger only;

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WHEREAS, on November 3, 2021, the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, issued a Memorandum, entitled 2<sup>nd</sup> Updated Guidelines for Alert Level 3 in Quezon City. Letter F of the said Memorandum expressly provides "In light of the national government's policy to ease transportation restrictions, the City shall likewise increase the allowed capacity of tricycles to three passengers, specifically up to two persons in the cab/sidecar and one backrider. Subsequently on January 31, 2022, the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, also issued Memorandum No. 06-22, entitled 2022 Guidelines for Alert Level 2 in Quezon City and on February 28, 2022, the City Mayor issued Memorandum No. 07-22, entitled "Guidelines for Alert Level 1 in Quezon City";

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2021, the Quezon City TODA Federation, represented by its President, Mr. Alex A. Baay, filed a petition for the setting of the tricycle-for-hire fare rates before the Quezon City Sangguniang Panlungsod;

WHEREAS, as of June 9, 2022, per Department of Energy, provided below is the prevailing retail pump price of gasoline in Quezon City, to wit:

Products -	Overall Range	Common Price
	Php/liter	
Gasoline (RON91)	74.40 - 83.76	77.65

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2022, the oil companies implemented a price increase in domestic oil products. Gasoline by Php2.15 per liter, Php4.30 per liter for diesel and kerosene by Php4.85 per liter. These resulted to the year-to-date adjustments to stand at a net increase of Php28.70/liter for gasoline, Php41.15/liter for diesel and Php37.95/liter for kerosene;

WHEREAS, the proposed fare rate is computed as the sum of the average gasoline consumption of full-time tricycle drivers (4 Liters per day) multiplied by the year-to-date adjustments stand at a net increase of Php28.70 per liter for gasoline, and an expected ten percent monthly tricycle maintenance cost increase (from Php500.00 per month to Php550.00 per month), given the thirty percent increase in excise tax on lubricants, oils and parts that are essential to the tricycle's upkeep;

WHEREAS, since March 2020, classes in both public and private schools nationwide have been suspended as a precautionary measure against the fast-spreading coronavirus disease, officially known as COVID-19. Due to this, the income of tricycle drivers is greatly affected as large number of passengers are students;

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WHEREAS, the Quezon City government finds it imperative to increase the fare of tricycles for hire to allow the more than twenty-four thousand seven hundred (24,700) members of the Quezon City Tricycle Operators and Drivers Association and to adapt the ever changing tide of the very unpredictable rise and fall of the price of gasoline.

## NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. Tricycle fare in Quezon City is hereby set in accordance with the following schedule:

A. General Riding Public (those who are not considered as senior citizens, persons with disabilities, and students).

Regular trips - Ten Pesos (Php10.00) for the first kilometer plus Two Pesos (Php2.00) for every kilometer thereafter.

Special trips - Thirty Pesos (Php30.00) for the first kilometer plus Five Pesos (Php5.00) for every kilometer thereafter.

B. Senior Citizens, Persons with Disabilities and Students Fare - Twenty percent (20%) discount shall be granted.

SECTION 2. The load capacity for all tricycles shall be limited to up to four (4) passengers including the driver provided that road safety component is maintained.

SECTION 3. All Ordinances, Resolutions, Executive Orders, Memorandum Circulars and Administrative Orders or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. The City Mayor is hereby authorized to make necessary fare rate adjustments every time there are movement of fuel prices in the market.

SECTION 5. PENALTIES. - Any person found violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall be penalized, to wit:

First Offense:

Fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php1,000.00);

Second Offense: Fine of Three Thousand Pesos (Php3,000.00); and

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Third Offense:

Fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php5,000.00) and revocation of tricycle franchise.

SECTION 6. In accordance with Section 511 (a) of RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, this Ordinance shall be posted at prominent places in the Quezon City Hall for a minimum period of three (3) consecutive weeks and shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Quezon City. This Ordinance shall take effect on the day following its publication or at the end of the period of posting, whichever occurs later.

ENACTED: June 20, 2022.

GIAN G. SOTTO City Vice Mayor Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

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

APPROVED: JUL 28 2022

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE City Mayor

## **CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on June 20, 2022 under Suspended Rules and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on the same date.

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