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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. Series of 2023

CREATION OF THE QUEZON CITY MOBILE NETWORK CONNECTIVITY TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG) AND THE SECRETARIAT

WHEREAS, on 24 May 2019, the Department of Information and Communication Technology (DICT) published the Rules on the Accelerated Roll-out of Common Towers in the Philippines. One of its provisions allows the construction of common towers in government-owned properties for the purpose of improving telecommunication services in all parts of the country to promote peace and order, create livelihood opportunities and improve access to basic government online services.

WHEREAS, on 29 May 2020, the DICT released Department Circular No. 008, which sets the policy guidelines on the co-location and sharing of passive telecommunications tower infrastructure for macro cell sites.

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government recognizes that there is a growing demand for digital services in the country and the importance of connectivity to support job generation, improve city-provided services, and quality of life improvements.

To ensure that the public has reliable access to these services, the Quezon City Government acknowledges the importance of enhancing the digital infrastructure (i.e. macro towers, small cell sites, fiber optic cables, etc.) within its jurisdiction through Project Cyber City.

WHEREAS, Project Cyber City, aims to enhance the provision of digital services by helping provide reliable and accessible connectivity within the city through the utilization of City-owned properties to support the development and expansion of telecommunication infrastructures within Quezon City.

WHEREAS, there is a need to create a Technical Working Group to support the implementation of Project Cyber City.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, Mayor of Quezon City, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do order:

SECTION 1. CREATION AND COMPOSITION. There is hereby created the Quezon City Mobile Network Connectivity Technical Working Group (TWG) and shall be composed of the heads of the following Departments/Offices/Units:

Chairperson: Vice Chairperson: Members:

Office of the City Administrator Department of Building Official

Local Economic Investment Promotions Office

Quezon City Engineering Department City General Services Department

Information Technology Development Department City Real Estate Management and Control Office

City Planning and Development Department Zoning Administration Unit

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The Technical Working Group (TWG) shall be composed of representatives from the said offices and others as may be deemed necessary by the TWG Chairperson:

The LEIPO shall act as the Secretariat of the TWG.

SECTION 2. FUNCTIONS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. The TWG shall have the following functions, to wit;

- Conduct detailed reviews and consultations with various sectors of the city and different agencies in identifying priority areas that are suitable for installation and necessitate the expansion of mobile network connectivity coverage;
- Provide assistance in the assessment of the structural integrity and accessibility of City-owned properties to ensure that the installation of towers for the expansion of mobile network coverage is properly implemented;
- Review, assess and recommend technical and legal proposals, including lease rates for the utilization of identified City-owned properties in relation to setting up towers/ancillaries/antennas etc.;
- 4. Monitor project delivery and progress;
- Perform other duties and responsibilities related to the main functions assigned by the Chairperson;

SECTION 3. SECRETARIAT. The Secretariat shall be responsible for providing assistance to the TWG, in the performance of their functions, specifically on the provision of administrative and logistical services, preparation of meeting agenda, and documentation of meetings and TWG-related activities, as well as reporting to the Office of the City Mayor.

SECTION 4. CONVENING OF THE TWG. The TWG shall schedule a meeting as often as needed.

SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. All prior Orders, Issuances or Guidelines inconsistent herewith are amended, modified or superseded.

SECTION 6. DISSEMINATION. A copy of this Executive Order shall be furnished to the Office of the President and the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) for information and guidance pursuant to Section 455 (1)(xii) of RA 7160, as amended, and shall be posted at the official website of Quezon City Government.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued, 3 February 2023, Quezon City.

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE City Mayor