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ORDINANCE NO. SP- **3247**, S-2023

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FUEL SUBSIDY TO ALL TRICYCLES-FOR-HIRE WITH AN EXISTING VALID FRANCHISE AND UPDATED REGISTRATION WITH THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT DUE TO UNPRECEDENTED INCREASE OF FUEL PRICES, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, SUBJECT TO EXISTING AUDITING AND ACCOUNTING RULES AND REGULATIONS**

*Introduced by Councilor RAM V. MEDALLA*

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*WHEREAS, retail gasoline and diesel prices soared to record high in many countries across the world;*

*WHEREAS, as of September 26-28, 2023, per Department of Energy, the prevailing retail pump price of gasoline in Quezon City ranges from Php62.30 to Php70.85 per liter;*

*WHEREAS, to cope with the rising prices of fuel, the Quezon City Sangguniang Panlungsod passed City Ordinance No. SP-3100, S-2022 providing Fuel Subsidy program to the members of the Quezon City Tricycle Operators and Drivers Association in the year 2022;*

*WHEREAS, as of September 30, 2023, the Quezon City Traffic and Transport Management Department (QC-TTMD) recorded a total of 15,621 Tricycles-For-Hire with updated registration comprising of 156 Tricycle Operators and Drivers Association (TODA);*

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WHEREAS, the operation of Tricycles-For-Hire has been a good source of livelihood and income to thousands of our constituents;

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

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government finds it imperative to provide fuel subsidy to give the more than 25,000 members of the Quezon City TODA reliefs to cope with the unprecedented increase of gasoline price in the country.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. TITLE. – This Ordinance shall be known as the “Fuel Subsidy Program” Year 2023 for Quezon City Tricycle Operators and Drivers Association (TODA).

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. – The Quezon City Tricycle Management Code of 2014 comprehensively addressed all aspects of operation, regulation and social protection for the tricycle sector, and as a matter of the Quezon City’s intensified effort, providing Fuel Subsidy Program in light of the unprecedented increase of fuel prices. Furthermore, the Quezon City Government recognizes fuel as a basic necessity; thus, the untimely increase thereof greatly affects the tricycle sector during the COVID-19 pandemic.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF WORDS AND PHRASES. – For purposes of this Ordinance, the following words and phrases shall mean, construe and interpreted as follows:

- a. Fuel Subsidy – refers to the amount of Php1,000.00 in a form of fuel voucher to be given to all tricycles-for-hire with an existing valid franchise issued by the Quezon City Government.
- b. Fuel Voucher – refers to a Fleet Card, Prepaid Card or equivalent Certificate or Card with a total amount Php1,000.00 of fuel subsidy. For this purpose, the Body Number and other details of the qualified tricycles-for-hire shall be reflected on the Card or Certificate by which every fuel refill shall be deductible until the full amount of fuel subsidy is consumed.
- c. Motorized Tricycle Operators Permit (MTO) – refers to a document issued by Quezon City Traffic and Transport Management Department (QC-TTMD) granting permit or license to a person to operate a tricycle.

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- d. *Tricycles-For-Hire* – refers to the tricycles intended for hire with existing franchise and updated MTOP comprising of 156 TODA duly registered with the Tricycle Regulatory Division (TRD) of Quezon City.
- e. *Quezon City Traffic and Transport Management Department (QC-TTMD)* – refers to the Department created pursuant to City Ordinance No. SP-2864, Series of 2019 that is tasked to implement the Traffic Management Code and Road Safety Code of Quezon City, which specifically focuses on: the regulation of tricycles and pedicabs; the orderliness and safety of all forms of public utility vehicle terminals, including identified loading and unloading points; and the management of vehicular traffic.
- f. *Tricycle Regulatory Division (TRD)* – refers to the Division under QC-TTMD which is in charge of evaluating and preparing the list of beneficiaries for fuel subsidy. The QC-TTMD, through the TRD, shall submit an official list to the Office of the City Administrator of Tricycles-For-Hire with an existing valid franchises issued by the Quezon City Government, and who are qualified to receive the fuel subsidy. For this purpose, the Office of the City Administrator shall cause the enrollment of the qualified tricycles-beneficiaries with the accredited petroleum company of the City.

**SECTION 4. IMPLEMENTING OFFICES.** – For purposes of executing the provisions of this Ordinance, the QC-TTMD through the TRD and the City Administrator’s Office shall be responsible in ensuring that provisions of this Ordinance are properly implemented.

**SECTION 5. ENTITLEMENT FOR FUEL SUBSIDY.** – The qualified Tricycles-For-Hire shall receive a fuel subsidy of Php1,000.00 in a form of Fuel Voucher. The Fuel Voucher shall be distributed by the QC-TTMD through the TRD to all Tricycles-For-Hire with an existing valid franchise and updated registration issued by the Quezon City Government who are qualified to receive fuel subsidy.

**SECTION 6. MONITORING.** – The QC-TTMD, through the TRD, shall monitor the proper utilization of the fuel subsidy solely meant for the qualified Tricycles-For-Hire beneficiaries.

**SECTION 7. ANTI-FRAUD PROVISION.** – It shall be unlawful for any beneficiary tricycle operator or driver to sell, pledge, mortgage or exchange the Fuel Voucher or the fuel products received by virtue of this Ordinance to any other purpose/s. Any driver or operator found violating this Anti-Fraud Provision shall warrant the automatic cancellation of tricycle franchise, without prejudice to any criminal or civil liability that may be incurred by the erring driver or operator.

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*SECTION 8. FUNDING. – The funding requirement for the initial implementation of the Program shall be taken from the available funds of the Office of the City Mayor or from any available funds of the City, subject to existing auditing and accounting rules and regulations.*

*SECTION 9. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. – The provisions of this Ordinance are separable. If for any reason, any section or provision of this Ordinance is declared to be unconstitutional or invalid, the validity of the other provisions shall not be affected and shall continue to be in full force and effect.*


*SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. – This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.*

ENACTED: December 4, 2023.



GIAN G. SOTTO  
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Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


  
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City Government Department Head III  
(City Council Secretary)

APPROVED: JAN 05, 2024

  
MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE  
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

*This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on December 4, 2023 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on December 11, 2023.*

  
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