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ORDINANCE NO. SP- 3414 , S-2025

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING AN AMNESTY FOR THE RENEWAL OR REVALIDATION OF THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO PEDICAB OPERATORS AND DRIVERS' ASSOCIATIONS (PODAS) WHICH HAD EXPIRED FOR MORE THAN SIX (6) MONTHS COVERING THE YEARS 2022, 2023, 2024 AND 2025 UNDER THE ROUTE MEASURED CAPACITY (RMC) AND HOLIDAY ON ALL REGULATORY AND OTHER CHARGES IMPOSED BY THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT FOR THE REGISTRATION AND RENEWAL OF THEIR PEDICAB UNITS

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WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that every local government shall promote the general welfare, enhance economic prosperity and social justice, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants;

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WHEREAS, under the said Code, certain functions of the Department of Transportation were transferred or devolved to the LGUs. Thus, Section 458(3)(vi) of the Local Government Code of 1991 states that:

"(3) Subject to the provisions of Book II of this Code, enact ordinances granting franchises and authorizing the issuance of permits or licenses, upon such conditions and for such purposes intended to promote the general welfare of the inhabitants of the city and pursuant to this legislative authority shall:

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(vi) Subject to the guidelines prescribed by the Department of Transportation and Communications, regulate the operation of tricycles and grant franchises for the operation thereof within the territorial jurisdiction of the city."

WHEREAS, Public Non-Motorized Transport (PNMT), in the form of pedicab operations, still exists and commonly found in some of our barangays today;

WHEREAS, there is an existential threat to their existence because of the transport modernization program; nonetheless, their presence provides an important service such as transporting people and goods to designated routes created for them by the City;

WHEREAS, drivers and operators may earn a modest income from operating pedicabs, yet this livelihood offers them a vital source of employment;

WHEREAS, Pedicab Operators and Drivers' Associations (PODAs) need assistance from the National Government as well as from the Quezon City Government, one of which is by granting them payment relief or holiday on all regulatory fees and other charges.

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NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. – This Ordinance shall be known as "An Ordinance Granting Amnesty on Regulatory Fees and Other Charges on Pedicabs for Calendar Year 2022 to 2025."

SECTION 2. SCOPE AND COVERAGE. – This Ordinance covers all pedicab units subject for registration and renewal for Calendar Year 2025-2026.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS. – For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:

- a. Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) is an authorization issued by the Tricycle Franchising Board (TFB) for the operation of a pedicab for public use as required by law;
- b. Franchise is defined to be a special privilege to do certain things conferred by government on an individual or corporation, and which does not belong to citizens generally of common right;
- c. Pedicab Operators Permit the document granting permit or license to operate issued to a person, allowing him or her to operate a pedicab unit;
- d. PODA refers to a Pedicab Operators and Drivers' Association;
- e. Tricycle Regulatory Division (TRD) refers to a Division under the Traffic and Transport Management Department mandated to implement and enforce provisions of relevant laws and ordinances pertaining to the operation of tricycles pursuant to Quezon City Ordinance Nos. SP-2864, S-2019 and SP-3134, S-2022.

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SECTION 4. GENERAL GUIDELINES OR PROTOCOLS UNDER PAYMENT RELIEF PROGRAM. – Relief from regulatory fees and other charges shall be availed of in the following manner and subject to the following criteria:

- a. Only pedicab operators possessing Certificate of Public Convenience of their units and active members of the PODA shall be eligible to apply for the payment relief program;
- b. A former franchise holder who has already sold his or her unit with franchise shall not be allowed to apply for the program and also barred from applying for another franchise. The franchise covering the slot number is automatically cancelled upon sale of the unit pursuant to Quezon City Ordinance No. SP-1256, S-2003;
- c. A prospective applicant to the open slot shall not be allowed to be granted a franchise under his or her name having more than two (2) existing pedicab franchises under Quezon City Ordinance No. SP-2514, S-2016;
- d. A buyer of a pedicab unit with TFB-cancelled franchise will be given priority to apply for said slot number, provided he or she is an active member of the PODA and a bona fide resident of the barangay where the unit is actually operating and has been endorsed by the PODA through a Board Resolution;
- e. A family member, who failed to apply for the payment relief program in accordance with the provisions of Quezon City Ordinance No. SP-1104, S-2002, as amended, otherwise known as the Quezon City Pedicab Ordinance of 2002, may hereafter apply for the vacant franchise, provided the relative or petitioner is an active member of the PODA and a bona fide resident of the barangay where the unit is actually operating and has been endorsed by the PODA through a Board Resolution;
- f. The TFB shall process the application on a first-come, first-served basis according to the date of receipt and upon evaluation or completion of requirements and satisfaction of the criteria. Acceptance of complete requirements shall also be based on the recommendation of the PODA through a Board Resolution;



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- g. Grantees of privileges for the vacant slots are governed by the Quezon City Pedicab Ordinance of 2002 and therefore shall maintain the franchise under their names within the validity period of three (3) years which is renewable for the same period. Grantees shall also register the tricycle unit yearly with the TRD;
- h. The TFB shall have the sole authority to resolve any issue that will arise in the implementation of the preceding paragraphs based on the merits of documents presented and applications submitted and shall resolve the same upon the concurrence of the majority of the members of the Board pursuant to Quezon City Ordinance No. SP-2514, S-2016.

SECTION 5. REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION, RENEWAL AND DOCUMENTATION. – The PODA Presidents previously granted with franchise to operate pedicabs shall provide the TFB and the TRD a complete list of members subject for registration and renewal.

SECTION 6. PHYSICAL INSPECTION OF PEDICAB. – All pedicab units are subject for physical and ocular inspection by the TRD prior to the issuance of a franchise.

SECTION 7. PENALTY CLAUSE. – All PODA violating this Ordinance and the guidelines to be implemented subsequently shall be penalized under Quezon City Ordinance Nos. SP-1104, S-2002, SP-1277, S-2003 and SP-2358, S-2014, as amended.

SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE. – All ordinances, resolutions, executive orders, memorandum circulars, administrative orders and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.



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SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. – This Ordinance shall take effect after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation, and after posting of copies in conspicuous locations within Quezon City.

ENACTED: March 3, 2025.

CANDY A. MEDINA City Councilor Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III City Government Department Head III (City Council Secretary)

APPROVED: APR 2 8 2025

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on March 3, 2025 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on March 10, 2025.

ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III City Government Department Head III (City Council Secretary)

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