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City Government of Pasig

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**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE COLLECTION OF ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT (EST) FEES FOR TRANSPORT SERVICES OPERATED OR OTHERWISE COMMISSIONED BY PASIG CITY.**

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**WHEREAS**, the City Government is empowered by law to generate resources and other revenues to defray the costs of delivering public services and may, pursuant thereto, impose fees and charges on persons and entities that contribute or aggravate such adverse impacts;

**WHEREAS**, with the traffic congestion in the country's highly-urbanized areas, including Pasig City, are approaching near-gridlock conditions, impeding mobility of all modes of transport, the constituents of Pasig are eager for workable mobility solutions that provide alternatives to private automobile travel;

**WHEREAS**, improving Sustainable Mobility is also essential to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) because demands for mobility for longer distances should be catered for through a mass transit network by integrating transport and land use planning and promoting liveability through walkability and car-free development.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Pasig recognizes the need to re-visit existing policies and mandates that govern the transportation sector, especially in urban areas, including a new paradigm in tackling issues on energy efficiency, climate change mitigation and air quality management;

**WHEREAS**, in recognition of the need for immediate solutions for mobility and environmental protection, the City of Pasig began the operations of the Pasig Bus Service in June 2016, operating for free;

**WHEREAS**, in the interest of maintaining and expanding the operations of the Pasig Bus Service and other services that meet Pasig City's goals for mobility and environmental sustainability, the City of Pasig wishes to develop alternative revenue sources for these beneficial services;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Pasig City in regular session assembled;

**ARTICLE I GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**Section 1. Title of the Ordinance.** This Ordinance shall be known as the "Environmentally Sustainable Transport (EST) Fees of Pasig City."

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**Section 2. Declaration of Policy.** The City is keen to provide public transport services to its constituents. The City also wants to operate and manage these services on its own under the Section 17 of the Local Government Code of 1991 and exemption from securing Certificates of Public Conveniences (CPC) as provided for in the Public Service Act, as amended.

**Section 3. Authority.** Local Government Units shall have the power and authority to establish an organization that shall be responsible for the efficient and effective implementation of their development plans, program objectives and priorities.

Local government units shall share with the national government the responsibility in the management and maintenance of ecological balance within their territorial jurisdiction, subject to the provisions of this Code and national policies;

**Section 4. Purpose.** The City of Pasig has realized the importance of addressing the impacts of urban and regional development projects on its transportation environment; City still has no clear policy on how to determine such traffic impacts and, in the process, formulate and implement measures to alleviate them. Towards this end, the City of Pasig has expressed interest in institutionalizing a system for implementing Transportation Development System.

The City Government is necessarily authorized to undertake measures to respond to the adverse impacts of various land developments in order to promote the general welfare of the City and each constituent. These measures may be in the form of infrastructure or other engineering solutions, enforcement and other transport demand management strategies.

**ARTICLE II CITY GOVERNMENT PUBLIC TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT**

**Section 5. Public Transport Management Unit** – The PTMU will provide public transport routes, fleet size, schedules, and fare. Together with the Surveys Special Unit, it shall conduct regular ridership surveys and solicit service feedback and recommendations from users every three (3) months or for periods that it deems necessary to maintain a high level of service.

- a. Fix and impose reasonable fees and charges for all services rendered by the City Government to private persons or entities;
- b. Provide for and set the terms and conditions under which public utilities owned by the city shall be operated by the City Government, and prescribe the conditions under which the same may be leased to private persons or entities, preferably cooperatives;
- c. Upon approval by majority vote of all the members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod: grant a franchise to any person, partnership, corporation, or





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cooperative to do business within the city; establish, construct, operate and maintain ferries, wharves and other transport infrastructure; or undertake such other activities within the city as may be allowed by existing laws: Provided, that, cooperatives shall be given preference in the grant of such a franchise.

**Section 6. Public Transport Monitoring** - The PTMU will monitor the public transport services provided by the City through the CTDMO, which will be linked with the Command Center through its Intelligent Transport System (ITS) and/or any other system that will ensure efficient service to commuters and drivers.

**Section 7. Environmentally Sustainable Transport (EST)** must be established to redirect the current development path to favor safe, efficient, low carbon, low pollution, and inclusive transport systems. Private vehicles occupy more road space-per-passenger carried than public transport services. Reducing the need to use private vehicles can be achieving by improving the level of service of public transportation services. Reducing the number of private vehicles can help to alleviate congestion and thus reduce travel delays.

**Section 8. Environmentally Sustainable Transport (EST) Fees.** Fees will be collected for the various public transport modes that will be provided and operated by the City Government. The fees will form part of the EST Fund and utilized according to the Transport Demand Management Trust Fund(TDMTF) Committee.

**Section 9. Approved EST Rates.** The fee structure shall be determined by the City Transport Development and Management Office (CTDMO), based on the objectives of sustainable mobility and social equity.

Changes to EST rates shall be subject to the amendment/s of the City Council.

**Section 10. Pasig Central Business District Bus Services.** The Pasig Bus Services began operations in June 2016 and operated for free. This service will cease to operate for free in August 2017 and shall begin collecting EST fees at Php5 per passenger irrespective of distance travelled.

**Section 11. Future Modes.**The computation of EST Fees for each mode will be a minimum of Php5 subject to evaluation by the PTMU after six (6) months.

**Section 12. Charging of EST Fees.**The EST Fees shall be charged by CTDMO and shall be paid to the Office of the City Treasurer through the utilization of pre-loaded cards via accredited convenient stores or any mode of payment that would facilitate the collection of fees.

**Section 13. Use and Administration of the EST Fund.**The revenue from the ticket sales will form part of the operations and maintenance fund for the upkeep and daily expenses of the public transport system under the direct supervision of the Public Transport Management Unit (PTMU) of CTDMO.





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**ARTICLE III IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**Section 14. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** Within two (2) months from the effectivity of this Ordinance, the City Transport Development and Management Office (CTDMO) shall prepare the implementing rules and regulations (IRR) of this Ordinance subject to the approval of the City Mayor. The IRR shall be subject to periodic review of said Office. In case of extreme necessity, said Office shall convene immediately to evaluate which portion is difficult to conform with and/ or is counter to the objective of the City.

**Section 15. Budgetary Support.** Budget to implement this Ordinance shall initially be sourced from the unprogrammed budget of the City and shall be included in the budget of DRRM Fund thereafter under Climate Change programs.

**ARTICLE IV FINAL PROVISIONS**

**Section 16. Separability Clause.** Should any of the provisions of this Ordinance be declared illegal or unconstitutional in a final judgment of a court or competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions hereof not affected by such declaration of illegality or invalidity shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 17. Repealing Clause.** All ordinances, orders, and issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**Section 18. Effectivity.** This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation once a week for two consecutive weeks.

APPROVED, this 22nd day of **June 2017** at Pasig City.

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