

City Government of Pasig

Ordinance No. 20 Series of 2022

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING ANY OFFICIAL OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF PASIG, WHETHER CITY OR BARANGAY, FROM PUTTING THEIR NAMES, LOGOS, INSIGNIAS, OR IMAGES IN ANY LOCAL/BARANGAY GOVERNMENT PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS IN PASIG CITY, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

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Councilor Roderick Mario U. Gonzales

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 ("CODE") provides that, every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare. Within their respective territorial jurisdiction, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecology, encourage and support the development of appropriate and self-reliant scientific and technological capabilities, improve public morals, enhance economic prosperity and local justice, promote full employment among their residents, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants;

WHEREAS, the local government unit was granted a power by the said code to create programs and projects including infrastructures to advance the general welfare of its constituents. I t also provide guidelines in naming local government projects, specifically Section 13 (d) which provides that, none of the foregoing local government units, institution, places, or buildings shall be named after a living person, nor may a change of name be made unless for a justifiable reason, and in any case, not oftener than once every ten (10) years. The name of a local government unit or a public place, street, or structure with historical, cultural, or ethnic significance shall not be changed, unless by a unanimous vote of the sanggunian concerned and in consultation with the Philippine Historical Commission;

WHEREAS, elected government officials have been practicing the putting of their names, logos, insignias, and even photographs on government projects or programs that were made during their term for the purpose of claiming personal credit, misleading the public to believe that said projects may have come from their own personal capacities, which is clearly contrary to law;

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WHEREAS, Section 2 of Republic Act 6713 otherwise known as the Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards for Public Officials and Employees provides that, public officials and employees must at all times be accountable to the people and shall discharge their duties with outmost responsibility, integrity, competence, and loyalty, act with patriotism and justice, lead modest lives, and uphold public interest over personal interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNSOD IN SESSION DULY ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. TITLE. - This Ordinance shall be known as the "ANTI-EPAL ORDINANCE OF 2022".

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. – Public officials and employees shall at all times be accountable to the people and shall discharge their duties with outmost responsibility, integrity, competence, and loyalty, act with patriotism and justice, lead modest lives, and uphold public interest over personal interest.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS. – For the purpose of this Ordinance, the term:

- a) "GOVERNMENT" means the national government, government-owned and controlled corporation, and all other instrumentalities or agencies of the Republic of the Philippines and their branches.
- b) "GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS" any person, appointed or elected, city or barangay, in government service whose office is given the authority, privilege or right to identify, administer, implement, coordinate or propose a government program or projects.
- c) "GOVERNMENT PROJECT" shall refer to all current and future government infrastructure, engineering works and service, and other related and necessary activities such as site acquisition, supply and/or installation of equipment and materials, implementation, construction, completion, operation, maintenance, improvement, repair and rehabilitation.

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d) "GOVERNMENT PROGRAM" shall refer to all current and future government projects providing the delivery of any basic or special services, falling under all programs of social outreach and services, anti-poverty measures, educational, livelihood, and all other programs that utilize government funding and resources for the provision of giving any tangible or intangible support to the citizenry, and other related and necessary activities for all Pasiguenos. e) "PUBLIC OFFICER" means elective and appointive officials and employees, permanent or temporary, whether in the classified or exempt service receiving compensation, even nominal, from the government. f) "PUBLIC WORKS" includes, but not limited to, streets, bridges, sidewalks, walkways, public buildings, public parks, sewage facilities, basketball courts, waiting sheds, and lamp post, which are funded, wholly or partly, through public funds expended by the Government. g) "SIGNAGE" means any form of written announcement installed, posted, hanged, painted or otherwise displayed in a public place. SECTION 4. PROHIBITED ACTS. - The following shall constitute a violation of this Ordinance: a) Naming after or putting an initial of an incumbent or former elected local government official on government projects or programs funded by public funds; b) Affixing, or causing to be affixed, the name, alias or image of any incumbent or former local government official to a signage announcing a proposed, ongoing, or existing public works project funded by government/public funds; c) Installing, or causing to be installed, signage/s announcing the maintenance, rehabilitation, and/or construction of public works crediting any incumbent or former local elected government official, or bearing his or her image, initials, for the maintenance, rehabilitation, and construction of such public works funded by public funds;

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- Affixing, causing to be affixed, any public officials' name, insignia, or logo to any signage on any government project or government program, announcing its proposed, on-going, or existing works;
- e) Installing any marks and sticker or materials that contain their name, logo, initials and image in any property owned by the City of Pasig;
- f) Posting of any tarpaulin or banner containing the name, logo, insignia, initials, and/or image of incumbent or former local government officials on any government officials on any government programs or projects funded by public funds during barangay fiestas, Araw ng Pasig, holidays, and graduation, and;
- g) Attaching any stickers that contains the name, logo, insignia, alias, image and/or initials to property owned by the barangay that was bought using public funds.

SECTION 5. APPLICABILITY. – The prohibition provided by this Ordinance shall only be applicable to any government officials of the City Government of Pasig including barangay officials, as defined by Section 3 (b) of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. ENFORCEMENT. – The Engineering Department of Pasig City, with the assistance of Action Line, Bantay Pasig and the Office of General Services, individual maintenance offices of all local government owned property, building, or office shall lead the implementation of this Ordinance and are hereby authorized to remove any name, initials, image, insignia, and logo of any incumbent local government officials attached to any infrastructure project of the City of Pasig. The cost of removing the prohibited materials under this Ordinance shall be for the account of the violator.

SECTION 7. EXCEPTION. - The following are exempted from this Ordinance:

a) Posting of campaign materials during election subject to the limitation provided by the Commission on Election and this Ordinance.

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- b) Existing government infrastructure or programs not named after any incumbent local government officials.
- c) Barangay Boundary Markings.

SECTION 8. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION. – A fine of P5,000.00 and imprisonment of not less than six (6) months, shall be imposed upon any incumbent local government official that will violate the provisions of this Ordinance upon its effectivity, and is hereby ordered to immediately remove any signage, banner, materials, that contain the name, initial, logo, insignia, or image of such incumbent local government official.

SECTION 9. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS. –The Technical Working Group composed of representatives from the Office of the City Mayor, Engineering, Bantay Pasig, Action Line and Office on General Services shall prepare the Implementing Rules and Regulations within three (3) months from the date of approval of this Ordinance.

SECTION 10. REPEALING CLAUSE. – All ordinances or issuances of the city or parts thereof that are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 11. EFFECTIVITY. – This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon approval in accordance with the law.

APPROVED, this <u>18th</u> day of August 2022 at Pasig City.

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