

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. PCG-48 SERIES OF 2022

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER CONSTITUTING THE PASIG CITY RIGHT TO INFORMATION TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP, DEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution makes it a policy of the State to fully disclose to the public its transactions; guarantees the people's right to information on matters of public concern; requires that public officers and employees be accountable to the people, serve them with utmost responsibility, integrity, loyalty, and efficiency, act with patriotism and justice, and lead modest lives; recognizes the right of the people and their organizations to effective and reasonable participation at all levels of social, political, and economic decision-making; and requires the State to establish adequate public consultation mechanisms;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, mandates the strengthening of effective mechanisms for ensuring the accountability of local government units to their respective constituents in order that the quality of local leadership may continuously be upgraded;

WHEREAS, recognizing the importance of the people's right to information, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Pasig enacted Ordinance No. 37, Series of 2018, otherwise known as the Pasig Transparency Mechanism Ordinance of 2018;

WHEREAS, in 2021, the City Government of Pasig signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Action for Economic Reforms (AER) for the implementation of PH Data-Driven Development (PH3D) Project;

WHEREAS, one objective of the PH3D Project is reinforcing the freedom of information (FOI) practice of the City Government, pursuant to which a Right to Information (RTI) Audit was conducted with AER in cooperation with the Right to Know Right Now! (R2KRN) Coalition, where the City Government garnered 78 points out of a maximum of 104 points for 41 applicable indicators, or 75%;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the City Government to create a team that would consider the findings and recommendations arising from the RTI Audit and ensure their mainstreaming into the City Government's FOI practice, if warranted;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, VICTOR MA. REGIS N. SOTTO, City Mayor of Pasig, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby create the Pasig City Right to Information (RTI) Technical Working Group (TWG), as follows:

SECTION 1. Composition. — There is hereby created Pasig City Right to Information (RTI) Technical Working Group (TWG), composed of the following members and/or their alternates:



Co-Chairpersons

: Representative

OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR

Representative

UGNAYAN SA PASIG

Members

: Representative

DATA PRIVACY OFFICER FOR THE CITY

GOVERNMENT OF PASIG

Representative

OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR - CBMS TEAM

Representative

OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR - CSO DESK

Representative

OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Representative

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

Representative

CITY LEGAL OFFICE

Representative

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS OFFICE

Representative

OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES - RECORDS

MANAGEMENT AND ARCHIVES DIVISION

Representative

COMMITTEE

ON

NON-GOVERNMENTAL

ORGANIZATIONS, SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

NG PASIG

Representative

COMMITTEE ON

PUBLIC

INFORMATION,

SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG PASIG

Representative

One (1) CIVIL SOCIETY/NON-GOVERNMENTAL

ORGANIZATION

Secretariat

: UGNAYAN SA PASIG



SECTION 3. Duties and Responsibilities. — The Pasig City RTI-TWG shall exercise the following functions and powers:

- a. Familiarize themselves with the 61 indicators used in the RTI Audit in the areas of Right of Access, Scope, Requesting Procedure, Exceptions and Refusals, Appeals, Sanctions and Protections, and Promotional Measures, as well as the findings of AER and R2KRN! Coalition in the 2021 and 2022 RTI Audits;
- b. Consider the recommendations stated in the 2021 and 2022 RTI Audits; and
- c. Craft the first draft of a medium-term Action Plan/Road Map by April 2023, and a final medium-term Action Plan/Road Map by June 2023, which would mainstream the recommendations and proposing programs that would enhance FOI in the City Government of Pasig; and
- d. Submit to the undersigned the Action Plan for Enhancing FOI for approval.

SECTION 4. Meetings and Quorum. — The RTI-TWG shall meet as often as may be necessary. The presence of the Chairperson and a majority of the members of the RTI-TWG shall constitute a quorum to transact official business.

SECTION 5. Dissemination. — Copies of this Executive Order shall be furnished within seventy-two (72) hours from its issuance to the Office of the President and the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) for information and guidance, pursuant to Sec. 455(1)(xii) of the Local Government Code of 1991, as amended.

SECTION 6. Effectivity. — This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE this 14thday of October 2022 at the City of Pasig, Metro Manila.

VICTOR MA. REGIS N. SOTTO

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