

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1575, June 16, 1956]

**AN ACT TO AMEND AND REPEAL CERTAIN SECTIONS OF
REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED CHARTER OF QUEZON
CITY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. Section three of Republic Act Numbered Five hundred thirty-seven is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. *Boundaries*.—The boundaries and limits of the territory of said city, containing the total area of fifteen thousand one hundred six hectares, more or less, are established and prescribed as follows: Beginning at a point marked "1", which is the northwestern corner of the boundary of Quezon City, thence due north 660.00 m. to point "2"; thence N. 43° 30' E., 3,680.00 m. to point "3"; thence N. 18° 00' W., 3,200.00 m. to point "4"; thence N. 45° 00' E., 4,100.00 m. to point "5"; thence due east 4,200.00 m. to point "6"; thence following the N. boundary line of the Novaliches watershed reservation to point "7", which is identical to Capital City boundary monument No. 19; thence S. 9° 36' W., 4,401.60 meters to point "8", which is at the center of the Marikina River and which is N. 10° 30' E., 149.72 from C.B.M. No. 29; thence following the center of downstream course of Marikina River to point "9", which is the intersection of the Arroyo and Marikina River; thence upstream following the Arroyo to point "10", which is 100.00 meters north of the pipe line and which is a corner of Quezon City; thence following the northern boundary of Quezon City to point of beginning; and the territory described as follows: Beginning at a point marked "1" which is identical to boundary monument No. 1, Piedad Estate; thence to point "2", which is boundary monument No. 2 of Piedad Estate; thence downstream following the Arroyo between Payatas Estate and Marikina Estate to point "3", which is 100 meters North of the water pipe line of the Metropolitan Water District; thence following the ridge southeastward to point "4", where the pipe line crosses the ravine; thence following the ridge southwest-ward to point "5", which is boundary monument No. 25 of Marikina Estate southward to point "6", which is the junction of the Marikina River and Marikina Estate; thence downstream following the Marikina River to point "7", which is the crossing of Marikina River by the old Rosario Road; thence westward following the old Rosario Road to point "8", which is the intersection of the old Rosario Road with the eastern right-of-way of the circumferential road (Highway 54) ; thence northeastward following the eastern right-of-way of circumferential road to point "9", which is the intersection of the eastern right-of-way of

Highway 54 and the prolongation of the southeastern boundary line of Camp Crame; thence southwestward following the southeastern boundary line of Camp Crame to point "10", which is the southwestern corner of said Camp; thence northwestward following the western boundary line of Camp Crame to point "11", which is at the northern right-of-way of Santolan Road; thence southwestward following the northern right-of-way of Santolan Road to point "12", which is the intersection of Santolan Road and Salapan Creek; thence downstream following the Salapan Creek to point "13", which is the junction of Salapan Creek and Dario River; thence southward following the Dario River to its intersection with the east boundary of the City of Manila to point "14"; thence northwestward following the east boundary of the City of Manila to point "15", near La Loma Cabaret, which is a corner of the boundary of the City of Manila near the entrance of the North Cemetery; thence northward following the boundary of the City of Manila to point "16", which is the Northeast corner of said city; thence westward along said city boundary at a distance of 100 meters to point "17"; thence northward paralleling the Novaliches Road to a distance of 100 meters from property line on the side of said road to point "18", which is at a distance of 100 meters North of the crossing of Samson Street (road connecting Balintawak Monument with Bonifacio Monument) ; thence eastward paralleling Samson Street and the circumferential road at a distance of 100 meters on the North side of said street and road to point "19", which is the center of the Culiat Creek; thence upstream following the Culiat Creek to point "20", which is the junction of Pasong Tamo River to point "21", which is the junction of Pasong Tamo River and Pinagpatayan Buaya Creek; thence to point of beginning."

SEC. 2. Sections 8 and 9 of the same Act are amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 8. *The Mayor—His appointment and compensation.*—The Mayor shall be the chief executive of the city, and as such shall have immediate supervision and control over the executive functions of the different departments subject to the supervision of the proper head of department. The Mayor shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines, with the consent of the Commission on Appointments of the Congress of the Philippines, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the President. He shall receive a salary of ten thousand pesos *per annum*. The City Council may provide the Mayor in addition to his salary a commutable quarter's allowance of not more than three thousand pesos *per annum*.

"SEC. 9. *Vice-Mayor.*—There shall be a Vice-Mayor who shall be a member of the City Council, and who shall, during the absence of the Mayor from the city or his disability for any reason, discharge the duties of his office and exercise his powers, except that of removing any officer from office. If, for any reason, the Vice-Mayor is temporarily incapacitated for the performance of the duties of the Mayor, or said office of the Vice-Mayor is vacant, the duties of the Mayor, shall be performed by any member of the Quezon City Council duly designated by the President.

"He shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines, with the consent of the Commission on Appointments of the Congress and shall hold office at the pleasure of the President. He shall receive a salary of six thousand six hundred pesos *per annum*."

SEC. 3. Subsection (g), section ten of the same Act, is amended to read as follows:

"(g) All provisions of other laws notwithstanding, he shall appoint in accordance with the Civil Service Law, all officials and employees of the city, except teachers and personnel of the city auditor, whose salaries are paid out of city funds, and whose appointment is not otherwise vested in the President, and at any time for cause, he may suspend any officer and employee not otherwise appointed by the President for a period not exceeding thirty days, which suspension may continue for a longer period if approved by the Department Head; and by and with the consent of the Department Head may discharge any such officer or employee. The Mayor, upon recommendation of the City Council, may appoint rural representatives, whose duties will be as directed by the Mayor in conformity with existing laws and city ordinances."

SEC. 4. Section ten is hereby amended by adding two new sub-sections to be known as subsections (r) and (s) which shall read as follows:

"(r) Notwithstanding the provisions of any existing law to the contrary, to conduct administrative investigation of members of the city police department, involving cases not covered by Republic Act Numbered Five hundred fifty-seven: *Provided*, That the power to conduct the investigation granted herein may be delegated to any ranking official of the city, or to a special committee or board, the members of which shall be designated by the Mayor.

"(s) To request, if public interest and safety so require, the assistance of the Philippine Constabulary and other police agencies in maintaining peace and order in the city, and only in such cases of specific request made can the Philippine Constabulary and other police agencies intervene in the preservation of peace and order."

SEC. 5. Section eleven of the same Act is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 11. *The City Council—Constitution and organization—Compensation of members—Meetings—Ordinances.*—There shall be a City Council composed of the Mayor as Chairman, Vice-Mayor, and eight other members. The Council shall fix the time and places for its regular meetings, which shall be held twice in each week, and shall hold special sessions when called by the Mayor. Any meeting, regular or special, may, in case the amount of business shall require, be adjourned from day to day until the business is completed. The meetings of the Council shall be open to the public unless otherwise ordered by affirmative vote of a majority of its members. It shall keep a record of its proceedings and determine its rules of procedure not herein set forth. A majority of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn from time to time. The ayes and nays shall be taken and recorded upon the passage of all ordinances, upon all

resolutions or motions directing the payment of money or creating liability, and, at the request of any member, upon any other motion or resolution. The affirmative vote of a majority, of all the members of the City Council shall be necessary for the passage of any ordinance, resolution, or motion directing the payment of money or creating liability. Each ordinance shall be sealed with the city seal, signed by the Mayor and the city secretary, and recorded in a book kept for that purpose. Each ordinance shall, on the day after its passage, be posted by the city secretary at a conspicuous part of the City Hall and shall take effect and be in force on and after the tenth day following its passage, if no date is fixed in the ordinance.

"The eight councilors hereinabove mentioned shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines with the consent of the Commission on Appointments, shall hold office at the pleasure of the President; and, such councilors shall receive a fixed salary of four thousand eight hundred pesos each *per annum*."

SEC. 6. Subsection (a), section twelve of the same Act, is amended to read as follows:

"(a) To make all appropriations for the expenses of the government of the city, and establish and fix the salaries of city officers and employees whose salaries are not otherwise provided in this Charter, notwithstanding the provision of any existing law or Executive Order to the contrary".

SEC. 7. Sections fourteen, fifteen, nineteen and twenty-two of the same Act are amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 14. *Power over subdivisions*.—The City Council shall have power by ordinance approved by the Department Head to require that no plat or plan of subdivision of a residential estate within its jurisdiction shall be presented for approval or verification by the Bureau of Lands or the General Land Registration Office until the same shall have been approved by the City Council upon the recommendation of the city engineer under such regulations as may be provided by ordinance. Such regulations may provide for the proper arrangements, design, and width of streets in relation to other existing or planned streets, for adequate and convenient open spaces for traffic, public services, access of fire-fighting apparatus, recreation, light, and air, and for the avoidance of congestion of population including minimum width and area of lots in the several districts or sections of the city. Such regulations may also include provisions as to the extent to, and methods by, which streets and other ways may be graded, drained, and improved and water and sewer and other public service mains, piping, or other facilities installed. Such regulations shall provide for approval of the plat or plan within sixty days after the submission thereof to the City Council.

"SEC. 15. *Appointment and compensation*.—There shall be a city secretary who shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines with the consent of the Commission on Appointments and shall hold office at the pleasure of the President. He shall receive a salary of seven thousand