

**[MMDA RESOLUTION NO. 02-47, s. 2002,
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**APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS
IMPLEMENTING EXECUTIVE ORDER 113 OPERATIONALIZING
THE METRO MANILA COUNCIL AS THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT
COUNCIL FOR METROPOLITAN MANILA**

WHEREAS, the President of the Philippines issued Executive Order No. 113 on July 17, 2002 mandating the Metro Manila Council of the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority to function as the Regional Development Council for Metropolitan Manila, with added responsibilities and expanded memberships;

WHEREAS, the RDC for Metro Manila is tasked to coordinate and unify the development programs and activities of all national government agencies; enhance the extensive and active participation and support of the private sector institutions and non-government organizations towards improving the service delivery at the regional level;

WHEREAS, there is a need to effect the necessary adjustments and changes in the functions of the Metro Manila Council, now as RDC for Metro Manila, and to clarify and explain the provisions of Executive Order No. 113 in order to achieve harmony or congruity with other existing laws, rules and regulations.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved, as it is hereby resolved, pursuant to Section 6 of R.A. 7924, that the Metro Manila Council hereby approves and adopts the following rules and regulations:

**RULE I
General Provisions**

SECTION 1. Title. — These Rules and Regulations shall be known, cited and referred to as the Rules and Regulations Implementing Executive Order No. 113, Operationalizing the Metro Manila Council as the Regional Development Council for Metropolitan Manila.

SECTION 2. Purpose. — These Rules and Regulations shall be promulgated to prescribe the guidelines and procedures for the implementation of E.O. 113 which took effect on July 17, 2002, in order to facilitate compliance therewith and achieve the herein State policy.

SECTION 3. Declaration of Policy. — It is the policy of the State that socio-economic development programs and activities be undertaken with the extensive and active participation and support from and in coordination with the various local government units (LGUs), national government agencies (NGAs), the private sector and non-government organizations (NGOs).

SECTION 4. Scope of Application. — These Rules and Regulations shall apply to Local Government Units, National Line Government Agencies, Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations, State Colleges and Universities, Private Sector and Non-Government Organizations operating in Metropolitan Manila.

RULE II

Regional Development Council For Metropolitan Manila

SECTION 5. Role of Metro Manila Council as RDC for Metro Manila. — Section 14, Article X of the 1987 Constitution provides that the President shall create Regional Development Councils (RDCs) and similar other bodies composed of local government officials, regional heads of departments and other government offices, and representatives from the private sector and non-governmental organizations within the regions.

Pursuant to Executive Order 113, the Metro Manila Council shall be the Regional Development Council for Metropolitan Manila, the primary institution that shall set the directions of economic and social development of the premier region through which the regional development efforts shall be coordinated.

SECTION 6. The National Capital Region-Regional Development Council. — The National Capital Region or Metropolitan Manila area composed of the cities of Manila, Quezon, Pasay, Caloocan, Makati, Pasig, Mandaluyong, Parañaque, Marikina, Muntinlupa, Valenzuela, Las Piñas, and Malabon and the municipalities of San Juan, Taguig, Pateros, and Navotas is declared as a special development and administrative region to promote the socio-economic development plans, programs, metro-significant projects and related activities. The Regional Development Council shall in the performance and execution of its roles and functions, consult, coordinate, and work closely with Local Government Units, concerned National Government Agencies, Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations, State Colleges and Universities, Non-Government Organizations, and the Private Sector operating in Metropolitan Manila Area.

SECTION 7. Powers and Functions. — The Council shall have the following functions:

- a. Coordinate the preparation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of short and long term regional development plans and investment programs, regional physical framework plan and special development plans, including the formulation of policy recommendation;
- b. Integrate approved development plans of cities and municipalities, line agencies, state universities and colleges, government-owned and controlled corporations and special development authorities in the region into the regional development plan, multi-year sectoral investment program of the region for funding and implementation;
- c. Review and endorse to the national government the annual budgets of agency regional offices, state colleges and universities and special development authorities;
- d. Promote private investments in the region to support regional development objectives, policies and strategies;

- e. Review and endorse projects of national government agencies to the Investment Coordinating Committee (ICC) that have impact on the region, and projects of LGUs in the region requiring national government financial exposure which may come in the form of guarantees, national government budget appropriations or subsidies, among others;
- f. Initiate and coordinate the development, funding and implementation of regional and special development projects, such as those involving several agencies or LGUS;
- g. Coordinate the monitoring and evaluation of development projects undertaken by government agencies, local government units, state colleges and universities, government-owned and/or controlled corporations and special development authorities in the region; and
- h. Render technical assistance to Local Government Units on matters pertaining to preparation of Local Development Plans and programs, evaluation of project proposals requiring Official Development Assistance (ODA), and local capability building program.
- i. Perform such other related functions and activities as may be necessary to promote and sustain the socio-economic development in the region.

SECTION 8. Responsibilities. — In the exercise of its functions, the Regional Development Council shall have the following responsibilities:

- a. Approve the Regional Development Plan, the Regional Physical Framework Plan, the Multi-Year Regional Development Investment Program, the Regional Annual Investment Program and other special development plans and programs;
- b. Ensure the consistency of local development plans and the regional development plans and priorities, through coordination and consultation with local development councils;
- c. Submit an annual assessment of plan implementation and an integrated report on the annual performance of the economy of the region;
- d. Ensure the preparation of integrated socio-economic profile of cities and municipalities which shall be updated every after 3 years by the local government units, and, when requested by the LGU, provide the technical assistance thereof;
- e. Ensure through the process of evaluation, that nationally-funded programs and projects in the Metropolitan Manila have gone through the required consultation at the LGU level, have secured the support of local officials, and conform with the requirements of the ICC in terms of, but not limited to, economic and financial feasibility, social acceptability and technical viability;
- f. Submit reports to the President on significant events and occurrences in the region requiring national attention;

- g. Submit a semestral report to the President on the activities of the Council including an assessment of the participation of its members within thirty (30) days after each semester;
- h. Identify and prescribe uniform systems and procedures, standards, methods and institutional arrangements in the preparation of reports, socio-economic profiles, plans and programs and other undertakings of the local government units and/or local development councils;
- i. Identify sources of funding to support its plans, programs, projects and activities; and,
- j. Accept donations, contributions, grants, bequests or gifts in other manner and form, from any legal source, subject to existing and applicable government accounting and auditing procedures.

RULE III

Composition Of The RDC For Metropolitan Manila

SECTION 9. Composition. — The Council, which shall be headed by the Chairman, is composed of voting and non-voting members.

9.1. Voting Members — The voting members are the Mayors or Local Chief Executives of the 17 component cities and municipalities of Metropolitan Manila; the President of the Metro Manila Vice Mayors League; and the President of the Metro Manila Councilors League.

9.2 Non-Voting Members — The non-voting members of the Council consist of the following:

9.2.1 The Secretaries or Heads of agencies or their duly authorized representatives: under R.A. 7924

- a. Department of Budget and Management
- b. Department of Tourism
- c. Department of Transportation and Communications
- d. Department of Public Works and Highways
- e. Housing Urban and Development Coordinating Council
- f. Philippine National Police

9.2.2 NCR Regional Directors of the following national line agencies:

- a. Department of Education
- b. Department of Environment and Natural Resources
- c. Department of Finance
- d. Department of Health
- e. Department of Interior and Local Government
- f. Department of Labor and Employment
- g. Department of Science and Technology
- h. Department of Social Welfare and Development
- i. Department of Trade and Industry
- j. Technical Education and Skills Development Authority
- k. Commission on Higher Education
- l. National Historical Institute

- m. Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board
- n. Presidential Commission on Urban Poor
- o. Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas;

9.2.3 Five (5) private sector representatives; and

9.2.4 Four (4) non-governmental organizations representatives

SECTION 10. Designation of PSR and NGO Representatives. — The RDC Chairman from among the nominees submitted by the RDC Secretary shall designate the five (5) Private Sector Representatives and four (4) NGO Representatives.

Private sector and NGO representatives should be based in the region. Their total representation shall comprise one-fourth of the members of the fully constituted Council.

SECTION 11. Functions of Non-voting Members. — The non-voting members of the RDC can actively participate in the advocacy discussions and debate over matters of significant interest in their own respective sectoral concerns and/or matters of metro-wide significance. Their active amplification of issues and concerns may somehow influence sympathy, capture interest, help in decision-making and aid-in policy formulation of the Council.

SECTION 12. Designation of Duly Authorized Representatives. — In cases where regional directors is not applicable on account of organization structure or position titles, the Secretary or Head of the concerned Departments and Agencies may instead designate a representative who occupies the highest position in their field unit. Each Department or Agency shall be represented by only one Regional Director or where applicable by only one designated representative thereof.

SECTION 13. Designation of Special Non-Voting Members. — The Council may designate special non-voting members (SNVMs) coming from both the public and private sectors, upon concurrence of the majority of its regular members.

SECTION 13-A. Designation of Members of the House of Representatives. — The Council may also invite the members of the House of Representatives as SNVMs representing the twenty-six (26) districts of Metro Manila to further strengthen the coordinative, consultative and legislative mechanism in the NCR. The members of the HOR must signify their intention to join voluntarily and in writing. This core group of congressmen may constitute the Advisory Committee of the Regional Development Council.

SECTION 13-B. Designation of the NEDA Public Investment Staff (PIS), Regional Development Coordination Staff (RDCS) and Infrastructure Staff (IS) as special non-voting members. — The regional directors of NEDA PIS, RDCS and IS may also be invited as special non-voting members.

RULE IV

Regional Development Council Officials

SECTION 14. RDC Chairman. — The Chairman of the MMDA and/or the Metro Mayors Council shall act as the Chairman of the RDC.

SECTION 15. RDC Vice Chairman. — A Vice-Chairman shall be selected and nominated by the Metro Manila Council from among the voting members to be