

REQUIRING THE SERVING OF DUE NOTICE/CONDUCT OF DIALOGUE IN CASE OF SQUATTER RELOCATION

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WHEREAS, Republic Act 7924 mandates the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority to formulate, adopt and implement policies, standards, rules and regulations, programs and projects to rationalize and optimize urban land use and provide direction to urban growth and expansion, the rehabilitation and development of slum and lighted areas, the development of shelter and housing facilities and the provision of necessary social services thereof ;

WHEREAS, the same law mandates the Authority to perform planning, monitoring, and coordinative functions and in the process exercise regulatory and supervisory authority over the delivery of metro-wide services within Metro Manila without diminution of the autonomy of the local government units concerning purely local matters;

WHEREAS, the absence of prior notice and dialogue with respect to recent relocation of 217 muslim squatter facilities from, Quiapo, Manila to Maharlika Village, tagig has found the municipal government of Tagig unprepared to cope with the provision of relocation site, potable water and similar other provision for our muslim brethren;

WHEREAS, the provisions and delivery of the needed services could have been speeded up if there was a proper channeling of information and prompt coordination between the local government units (LGUs) and the concerned national government agencies (NGAs);

WHEREAS, said lack of information and coordination between and among the concerned LGU and NGAs has resulted to an overflow of 1,500 squatters in the area which area can only accommodate 500 families, thus making the people's plight in the area more miserable and more vulnerable to diseases;

WHEREAS, the Metro Manila Council [Council] in session assembled recognizes the adverse effect of relocating squatters without the proper dialogue and coordination between the LGUs and the concerned NGAs, and thereby agreed to require the serving of due notice and/or conduct of dialogue with the LGUs and concerned national government agencies, prior to relocation of squatters.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved as its is hereby resolved by the Council, pursuant to Sec. 6 of RA 7924 that the Council hereby requires the serving of due notice to and/or conduct of dialogue with the LGUs and concerned national government agencies in case of squatter relocation.

This Resolution shall take effect upon approval.

Approved: 18 Jan. 1996

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