Republic of the Philippines  
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD  
City of Mandaluyong  

ORDINANCE NO. 697, S-2018  

OMNIBUS AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE NO. 445, S-2010 ENTITLED:  
AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING THE SCHEDULE OF FEES AND  
CHARGES, POLICIES, GUIDELINES, IMPLEMENTING RULES AND  
REGULATIONS FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY THE GARDEN OF  
LIFE PARK RELATIVE TO THE DISPOSAL OF THE DEAD IN THE CITY  
OF MANDALUYONG, METRO MANILA, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES  

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod ng  
Mandaluyong, Metro Manila, in session assembled:  

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as "An Omnibus Amendments  
        to Ordinance No. 445, S-2010 on Cemetery Fees and its Rules  
        and Implementing Guidelines".  

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. It is the policy of the City Government  
        of Mandaluyong to endeavour to provide decent burial services  
        giving preference to the departed bonafide residents of Mandaluyong.  
        It shall undertake to maintain and upgrade its public service  
        operations, and thus, it becomes incumbent to fix the rate of its services.  

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS. As used in this Ordinance, the following  
        terms shall be understood as follows:  

        a. CHAPEL — refers to a building or place in a cemetery,  
           consecrated intended for public gathering or worship;  

        b. COLUMBARIUM — refers to a building containing chambers or  
           vaults in which urns containing the ashes of the dead are stored;  

        c. COMMON HUMAN REMAINS VAULT — pertains to a depository  
           crypt where common unclaimed remains are deposited after  
           being cremated;  

        d. CREMATION — means the technical process, using heat  
           and flame that reduces human remains to ashes and other  
           residue. "Cremation" shall include the processing, and may  
           include the pulverization of such ashes and other residue;  

        e. CREMATORIUM — means a facility or portion of a building  
           in which the remains of deceased human beings are  
           processed by cremation, or a building or furnace where bodies  
           are incinerated;  

        f. FIRST DEGREE RELATIVE — pertains to immediate family member  
           which constitute either descending or ascending counting from  
           the parents to their children as first degree or vice-versa, and  
           shall only be applied to residents' beneficiaries;  

        g. FUNERAL SERVICES — refers to any act of funeral rites rendered  
           in honor of the dead;
h. **GARDEN OF LIFE PARK (GLP)** – refers to the redeveloped and enhanced Mandaluyong City Garden of Life Park, a public cemetery owned and operated by the City Government of Mandaluyong, inclusive of the private or apartment niches, memorial chapel, mausoleums, crematorium and columbarium, situated along Rev. Aglipay Street, Barangay Vergara, and containing an **area** of 2.54 hectares (see Appendix A: Master Plan 2017–2026 GLP), more or less, or any other cemetery or cemeteries which the City Government may later build for the disposal or burial of deceased human beings, by cremation or in a grave, mausoleum, vault, columbarium or other receptacle but does not include a family cemetery or a private cemetery. The management or administration of the GLP may also be referred to herein as the "GLP Administrator";

i. **INTERMENT** – generally **means** burial, or the permanent disposition of human remains by inurnment, entombment or ground burial;

j. **LESSEE** – **means** any person having a right to the use of a niche, crypt, unit, lot, plot or part thereof, in the mausoleum or columbarium of the GLP or the patrons or clients of burial services;

k. **MASTER PLAN** – shall mean the Ordinance No. 682, S–2017, "An Ordinance Adopting the New Master Plan for the Redevelopment of the Garden of Life Park (GLP) and Appropriating Funds Therefor", otherwise known as "Master Plan for the Redevelopment of the Garden of Life Park";

l. **NICHES** – refers to a series of **recess** or hollow structure mainly made of concrete and to hold the dead in a row.

**SECTION 4. CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS.** The following rules and regulations have been adopted as a guide to the use and administration of the Garden of Life Park. The rules and regulations will help protect all who have interest therein. All lessees or persons having rights to burial services, visitors and contractors performing work within the cemetery shall be subjected to said rules and regulations, amendments or alterations as shall be adopted from time to time.

1. The Garden of Life Park may, and it hereby expressly reserves the right, at any time, upon proper notice to parties in interests, to adopt new rules and regulations or to amend, alter and/or repeal any rule, regulation and/or article, in the rules and regulations affecting the internal business, transactions and operations of the GLP;

2. Special cases may arise in which the literal enforcement of the rules and regulations may impose unnecessary hardship. The City GLP Committee, as stipulated in Section 10 of this Ordinance, reserves the right, without notice, to make exceptions, suspensions or modifications in any of the rules and regulations when, in its judgment, the same appear advisable without conflicting against the purposes and intents of this Ordinance, and such temporary exceptions, suspensions or modifications shall in no way be construed as affecting the general application of such;
3. The Garden of Life Park retains to itself, for the benefit of all lessees or any party having interests, full and complete supervision, control and management of the land, buildings, improvements, roads, walks, utilities, development, books and records, and the full and complete authority, rights and privileges to make, change, administer and enforce all rules and regulations and restrictions not inconsistent with the pertinent laws, ordinances, rules and regulations;

4. All niches, crypts, units in the columbarium, chapel and other services in the cemetery are leased in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance and its related rules and regulations and shall not be used for any other purpose than as a burial place for dead human beings;

5. The funeral services, chapel, niches, crypts, units in the columbarium etc. must be paid in full before a burial is made;

6. No rights to leases of niches, crypts, units in the columbarium, etc. shall be sold, conveyed or transferred by the Garden of Life Park for speculative or investment purposes, but only when the needs arise;

7. Visiting hours are from sunrise to sundown, except on special occasions and upon special arrangements;

8. Lessees are prohibited from allowing interments to be made on their lots, niches, crypts, units in the columbarium etc. for compensation;

9. All lessees of lots, niches, crypts, units in the columbarium, chapel and other services or persons having interests are required to notify the Garden of Life Park of any change of address. All notices required to be sent shall be sent to the last recorded address and such notices shall be deemed adequate;

10. No person, other than personnel of the Garden of Life Park, shall be allowed to perform any work within the GLP without permission from the Garden of Life Park Administrator or its duly authorized representative provided, however, in cases when a lessee opted to hire private personnel to work on his unit, it shall be mandatory for such lessee and his worker/s to execute a contract prior to the actual implementation of the work to be done, copy furnish the Garden of Life Park for filing and future reference (see Appendix A: Master Plan). Provided, however, that such work shall be in accordance with the existing guidelines and specification of the City Government of Mandaluyong;

11. The Garden of Life Park Administrator shall direct all improvements within the grounds and upon all niches, crypts, units in the columbarium, etc. before and after interments have been made therein. No additional niches shall be constructed except within the specifications of the new cemetery as per approved by the Master Plan;
12. Charges for work and services performed by the Garden of Life Park Administrator or for materials purchased from the GLP will be at rates as approved by this Ordinance subject to the necessary accounting and auditing requirements as provided for by law;

13. The Garden of Life Park will take all reasonable precautions to protect the leased properties and persons within the GLP from loss, claim and damages but it shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury not attributable to its negligence, omissions or commissions;

14. The right to use vehicles in the Garden of Life Park is authorized solely and exclusively for the purpose of transporting caskets, remains, and other related GLP activities only. No parking area shall be provided to mere visitors;

15. Bicycles, skates, motorcycles, etc., may not be used on Garden of Life Park premises except with the approval of the GLP authorities. Pets are not permitted, except when kept on a leash or in a vehicle;

16. Bringing alcoholic beverages into the Garden of Life Park or entering the premises intoxicated is strictly prohibited;

17. The Garden of Life Park personnel shall have the right to enter upon or use any adjoining lot, niche or crypt to carry out works for public interest, directly or incidental thereto, as to interments, erection of buildings or structures, etc., without prior notice to the right owner or lessee;

18. No signs, notices or advertisements of any kind shall be allowed in the premises unless placed or authorized by the Garden of Life Park;

19. Peddling of any kind or soliciting the sale of any commodity, other than by the Garden of Life Park, is prohibited within the confines of the GLP;

20. Interments into a niche, crypt, units in columbarium, etc. are restricted to those entitled to burial therein according to this Ordinance;

21. No disinterment or exhumation will be allowed without permission of next of kin, the Garden of Life Park and the proper authorities. However, the GLP may, upon proper notice to the concerned parties and or private individuals, exhume the remains of the dead person. Provided, however, that such notice shall be delivered by way of personal or registered mail to the last known address provided by the family of the deceased person as appearing in the records of the City. In the event that there are no longer available records, notices will then be posted on public areas such as City Hall, Barangay Hall, Police Precincts, and Freedom Walls and Churches within the barangay of residence provided by the family as appearing in the records of the City;
22. The Garden of Life Park reserves the right to remove all flowers, wreaths, candle or other decorations from lots, niches or crypts, units of columbarium, etc., as soon as they become unsightly;

23. The Garden of Life Park shall have the right to remove all objects whose appearance and condition warrant removal and/or violate the Garden of Life Park rules and regulations. The GLP also will not be liable for any flower, candle or decoration removed or lost by any cause;

24. Adoption of new rules and regulations or amendment or repeal of any rule, regulation and/or section or paragraph in this Ordinance and its GLP Rules and Regulations are subject to the discretion of the administration upon proper observance of lawful processes. Provided, however, that the Local Chief Executive is not precluded from issuing any directive, executive memoranda/circulars/orders to effectively implement the aforesaid policies and guidelines for efficient and effective fiscal and developmental management of the GLP as incorporated in the Cemetery Master Plan under City Ordinance No. 682, S-2017.

SECTION 5. Categorization of the GLP Services Availed for the Deceased. The GLP services are categorized as follows:

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<th>CATEGORY D</th>
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SECTION 6. The fees and charges imposed in the next preceding Section is subject to the twenty percent (20%) discount and exemption from the Value Added Tax (VAT), if applicable on funeral and burial services for the death of Senior Citizen as provided for in Republic Act No. 9994.

SECTION 7. GLP FEES AND CHARGES. The new rates for the cemetery services are imposed as follows:

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<th>TYPE OF SERVICE</th>
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<td>1. Burial/Exhumation/Restus</td>
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<td>3. Cemetery Fee (A-2 only)</td>
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<td>B. NICHES</td>
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<td>1. Apartment (5 years lease, no renewal)</td>
<td>A-1 6,000.00</td>
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<td>B-1 4,800.00</td>
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<td>C-1 4,200.00</td>
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2. Exclusive lot/niche: (A-1) P6,000.00 divide by 5 years = P1,200.00 divide by 2.5 square meters = P480.00

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<th>Exclusive lot/niche:</th>
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C. CREMATION

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<td>25,000.00</td>
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The same rates shall be applied in cases when two (2) sets of bones of two dead persons are to be cremated simultaneously with each other provided however, that the second set is free of charge.

D. COLUMBARIUM (for residents only and 1st degree relative and spouse)

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For rows # 4, 5, and 6 the rate shall be uniform at P2,400.00/year

E. CHAPEL

Services provided by the use of the chapel shall be at a rate of P1,200.00 per day maximum of five days.

F. FUNERAL PARLOR

F.1 FUNERAL SERVICES Inclusive of:

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<td>Pick-up (within Mandaluyong City)</td>
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<td>b.</td>
<td>Embalming</td>
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<td>c.</td>
<td>Preparation</td>
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<td>d.</td>
<td>G.L.P Chapel Viewing (3 days)</td>
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F.2 CASKET (OPTIONAL)

SECTION 8. RESIDENCY. Only deceased bonafide residents of the City of Mandaluyong may avail of the special privileges accorded to residents by this Ordinance. For this purpose, a resident is one who has been residing for at least one (1) year within the territorial jurisdiction of this City upon showing of sufficient proof. A long standing resident, pertaining to Category B under Section 5 is one who has been a resident of the City for more than five (5) years. Provided, however, in cases of a married couple one of whom is not a resident of Mandaluyong City but wanted to avail of the benefits provided by this Ordinance, the cemetery, for humanitarian reason, shall extend to such non-resident spouse the same benefits and privileges accorded to a resident.

SECTION 9. PROOF OF RESIDENCY.

a. Upon presentation of the following pieces of documentary evidence to serve as proof of the residency of the deceased as a resident of the City, the applicant who wishes to avail of the special privileges under Category C under Section 5 must present:
1. a duly signed Certificate of Residency of the deceased, expressly indicating therein the period of time that the said deceased has been a resident, to be secured from the Punong Barangay concerned; and

2. two (2) valid government issued Identification Cards (IDs) in case of an adult constituent or other documents showing proof of residency of the deceased.

b. In addition to the requirements to prove the residency of the deceased in the City, the City Social Welfare Development Department shall conduct an ocular inspection and issue a report therefore to verify such fact.

SECTION 10. INDIGENT/UNDERPRIVILEGED. An indigent/underprivileged resident is one who falls within the clientele of the City Social Welfare Development Department and submitting a certification to that effect. An indigent/underprivileged resident of the City belonging to the poorest of the poor who cannot raise the amount needed to avail of the GLP services may avail of certain concessions upon the discretion of the City Mayor after a definite finding and confirmation of the financial incapacity of the former.

SECTION 11. UNCLAIMED, ABANDONED AND/OR UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS, AND LEASES THAT ARE NOT RENEWED. Remains of persons that are unclaimed, abandoned or unidentified which are left unburied and may endanger the health of the community may be disposed of by the City in a manner it deems fit subject to existing statutes, Ordinances, policies, rules, regulations and/or guidelines being enforced and implemented by the GLP Administration. The remains in niches, crypts, units in the columbarium, etc., whose leases are not renewed after the five-year lease period or has expired, may likewise be disposed of by the City. Provided, however, that the lessees or nearest of kin shall be given one (1) month notice and one (1) month grace period to be counted from the date of the expiration of lease contract to claim the remains of the dead person, failure of which shall authorize the GLP to dispose of the mortal remains or bones of the deceased subject to existing statutes, Ordinances, policies, rules, regulations and/or guidelines being enforced and implemented by the GLP Administration. (See Appendix B)

SECTION 12. COMMON HUMAN REMAINS VAULT. Abandoned, unclaimed or unidentified remains (bones) removed and or taken-out from niches or crypts shall be disposed of by the GLP, cremated and subsequently deposited into a mass grave intended for such purpose which shall serve as an open space/garden with a memorial wall on which the names of the dead buried therein are written. Provided, however, a mass grave shall be provided for those remains that are not cremated.
SECTION 13. STORAGE. Expired contracts not renewed or abandoned and unclaimed ashes in the columbarium shall be removed and deposited in a specially designed storage to allow the relatives to claim the ashes after payments of the arrears and storage fee of Two Hundred Pesos (P200.00) per year. For purposes of this provision, the GLP is mandated to construct storage as herein provided.

SECTION 14. CONSENT FOR CREMATION. The relative of the deceased within the fourth civil degree shall, prior to the cremation, give his or her written consent under oath. That such written consent shall stipulate therein that such cremation is not for the purpose of committing any offense or to hide any criminal liabilities. (See Appendix B)

SECTION 15. INCENTIVES. Personnel administering or manning the crematorium shall receive five percent (5%) on each and every cremation done on non-residents (A2) both fresh and bones.

SECTION 16. PAYMENT OF FEES AND OTHER CHARGES. All payments shall be made at the Treasury Department. Payments shall only be made on annual basis for a term of one (1) year, no long term payment shall be allowed.

SECTION 17. RECOMPUTATION. Recomputation of rates shall be reviewed by the GLP Committee and shall be done every year or as the need arises subject to the inflation rates prevailing at the time of the recomputation. Such recomputation shall be approved by the Mandaluyong City Council.

SECTION 18. HOUSE RULES. Details of Rules and Regulations and other guidelines not included in this Ordinance are stipulated in House Rules (Appendix C of this Ordinance).

SECTION 19. CREATION AND COMPOSITION OF THE MANDALUYONG CITY GLP COMMITTEE. The Mandaluyong City GLP Committee (herein referred to as the “Committee”), which shall be created through an Executive Order by the City Mayor shall convene within ten (10) days upon approval of this Ordinance and shall periodically meet thereafter or as the exigencies require.

A. THE COMMITTEE SHALL BE COMPOSED OF THE FOLLOWING:

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<td>The City Executive Secretary</td>
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<td>The City Engineer</td>
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<td>The City Planning and Development Officer</td>
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<td>The Public Information Officer</td>
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<td>10.</td>
<td>The Head of the Human Resource Management Department</td>
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11. The City Budget Officer | Member
12. The City Treasurer | Member
13. The Civil Registrar | Member
14. Sanggunian Secretary | Member

The City Mayor as Chairman of the Mandaluyong City Garden of Life Park Committee (MCGLPC) shall, by way of an appointment or designation, choose any employee of the City Government of Mandaluyong who, in his discretion, has the technical knowledge and capability to efficiently handle the work, and occupy the position of the GLP Administrator that shall remain interim until the Office of the City GLP is created.

The members of the MCGLPC shall, by virtue of its powers provided in Item C hereof, upon its convening pursuant to this order, appoint the members of the Technical Working Group (TWG) which composition is provided in Item F of this Ordinance except the GLP Administrator which shall be automatically a member of TWG, and submit the same within two (2) working days to the Chairman of the MCGLPC for approval.

B. PURPOSES OF THE COMMITTEE. The purposes and objectives of the Committee is to oversee the coordination of all resources of the City Government in pursuing its mandate to provide and maintain adequate, decent, affordable and modern burial services for the greatest number of bonafide City constituents, and the introduction of improvements in the GLP properties and upgrading of its services in line with the Master Plan, and to carry out other relevant laws and Ordinances.

C. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE. The Committee shall have the following powers and functions:

1. Be the coordinating body that shall oversee the operations, functions, affairs, and activities of the GLP through or in coordination with the GLP Division of the City Engineering Department and shall have under its jurisdiction all the City Government departments, task forces, and other offices, for purposes of the implementation of this Ordinance; (See Appendix "D"—Organizational Structure)

2. To exercise its powers and functions where its jurisdiction shall be deemed expanded covering other cemeteries which the City Government may create in the future;

3. Implement and accomplish the Master Plan and other relevant laws and ordinances;

4. Formulate, enforce and/or delegate the general and specific policies, rules and regulations of the GLP as the Committee shall deem necessary for the proper administration of this Ordinance;

5. To propose, prescribe, and impose updated fees for the services of the GLP in accordance with current laws, ordinances, rules and regulations;
6. Enter into contracts, covenants or agreements whenever necessary under such terms and conditions as it may deem proper and reasonable in relation to, and limited only to GLP activities;

7. To recommend administrative penalties to any employee for failure to comply with the directives of the Committee in relation to GLP services; and

8. Exercise all the powers as may be necessary or incidental for the attainment of the purposes and objectives of this Ordinance.

D. DUTIES OF THE GLP ADMINISTRATOR. The GLP Administrator shall carry out the additional tasks, as follows:

a. To execute, administer and implement the policies and measures approved by the Committee;

b. To prepare the agenda for and set the regular meetings of the Committee and to submit for its consideration such policies and measures as he or she may believe necessary to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance;

c. Watch over the day-to-day management and administrative functions over the personnel operating the GLP;

d. Exercise all other related functions that the Committee may instruct him or her to perform, or as the laws or ordinances may direct.

E. TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP. To assist the Committee in the conduct of its functions, the Technical Working Group (hereinafter referred to as "TWG") who were appointed by the members of the MCGLPC, which composition is provided in Item F hereof, shall serve as the main technical and administrative support unit of the Committee in accordance with, but not limited to, Article VII on Policy Integration of Ordinance No. 682, S–2017, the Master Plan, to wit:

1. Preparation of the necessary documents in securing permits and clearances, whenever needful, in compliance with Republic Act No. 8749 (Clean Air Act), Republic Act No. 9003 (Ecological Solid Waste Management Act), Republic Act No. 9275 (Clean Water Act), Presidential Decree 856 (Code on Sanitation of the Philippines) and other relevant laws from concerned agencies and such other requirements including Certificate of Non-Coverage from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources or its equivalent;

2. Formulation of specific policies and guidelines, rules and regulations, in the administration of the GLP, including burial and cremation services, visitation and special occasions such as All Saints Day and All Souls Day, and other related concerns, from time to time and as the need arises;

3. Formulation of a monitoring and evaluation tool and act as the monitoring group for the implementation of the Master Plan;
4. Submission of a monitoring and evaluation report to the Committee or concerned agency for appropriate action;

5. Conduct of study and recommendation of appropriate and updated fees for burial, cremation, and other GLP services to the Committee for its approval and implementation in line with subsisting laws, ordinances, rules and regulations;

6. Performance of such other tasks as may be deemed necessary for the efficient implementation of the Master Plan and effective continuing management and promotion of the public health, peace and order, or the general welfare over the GLP.

F. COMPOSITION OF THE TWG. The TWG shall, except for the GLP Administrator who shall be automatically a member of the TWG, have one (1) representative each of the following offices, to wit:

1. GLP Administrator
2. City Engineering Department
3. City Planning and Development Department
4. City Health Department
5. City Administrator’s Department
6. City Legal Department
7. City Public Information Office
8. City Treasurer’s Department
9. City Budget Department
10. City Human Resource Management Department
11. The Office of the Sanggunian Secretary

G. Continuing Status of the GLP Division of the City Engineering Department. The existing organic office shall continue to perform its administrative and operational functions for the GLP. All its officers and employees shall continue to exercise their functions, until ordered otherwise or directed to discharge additional duties and responsibilities by the Committee until such time that the Office of the GLP Administrator is created.

SECTION 20. FALSIFICATION COMMITTED BY AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF MANDALUYONG/PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL. Any employee of the City Government of Mandaluyong who, with intent to violate any of the provisions of this Ordinance, committed falsification or any unlawful acts shall be dealt with accordingly pursuant to, and in accordance with, the pertinent provisions of the Revised Penal Code of the Philippines and Republic Act No. 3019 otherwise known as the “Anti-Graft and Corrupt Practices Act”, and other related laws without prejudice to other penalties and/or disciplinary actions the City Government of Mandaluyong may impose. Any private individual who connives with the malefactor shall be considered as public employee for purposes of this provision.

SECTION 21. PROHIBITED ACTS. Any relative or person or persons acting for and in behalf of a deceased not qualified to avail of burial benefits allowed under the provisions of Section 2 hereof who shall resort to misrepresentation or deceit to obtain a Certification of Indigency and
any official or employee of the national or local government who shall issue or cause to be issued such Certification in favor of a deceased who is otherwise disqualified to enjoy said privilege shall suffer the same penalties herein provided. Violation of the Implementing Rules and Regulations shall be considered as violation of this Ordinance.

SECTION 22. PENAL PROVISIONS. Any person violating any of the provisions of the Ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished with a fine of not less than Five Hundred Pesos (P500.00) but not more than Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) or by imprisonment of not less than one (1) month but not more than six (6) months, or both at the discretion of the Court.

SECTION 23. NO CONTEST PROVISION. Any person apprehended for violation of a City Ordinance, who does not wish to contest the violation and is willing to pay voluntarily the fine imposed upon him/her prior to the filing of formal complaint with the Office of the City Prosecutor, shall be allowed to pay said fine with the City Treasurer to avoid being criminally prosecuted.

SECTION 24. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If, for any reason, any provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 25. REPEALING CLAUSE. This Ordinance hereby repeals Ordinance No. 445, S–2010 and Ordinance No. 476, S–2011 and all other Ordinances, rules or regulations in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed; provided, that the rights that are vested upon the effectivity of this Ordinance shall not be impaired.

SECTION 26. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval and publication at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in Metro Manila and posting in at least three (3) conspicuous public places in Mandaluyong City.

ENACTED on this 11th day of April, 2018 in the City of Mandaluyong.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE WAS ENACTED AND APPROVED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGOD OF MANDALUYONG IN A SPECIAL SESSION HELD ON THE DATE AND PLACE FIRST ABOVE GIVEN.

MA. TERESA S. MIRANDA
Sanggunian Secretary

ANTONIO DLS. SUVA
Vice Mayor &
Presiding Officer

CARMELITA A. ABALOS
City Mayor

Date: APR 18 2018