



Republic of the Philippines
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
City of Mandaluyong

ORDINANCE NO. 544, S-2014

AN ORDINANCE MANDATING THE SETTING UP OF EARTHQUAKE LOCKER
IN ALL GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT TO
PROTECT OR MITIGATE FROM EARTHQUAKE DISASTERS
AND ENSURE THE SAFETY OF LIVES IN TIMES OF
EARTHQUAKE AND/OR FIRE AND
OTHER NATURAL DISASTERS OR CALAMITY

BE IT ENACTED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod, in session assembled:

WHEREAS, earthquake is a natural phenomenon that occurs without warning and does not respect any locality, municipality, city, province, region nor the entire nation;

WHEREAS, it is of common knowledge that when a large earthquake occurs, mistakes and incautiousness which were hidden under glamorous building facades are revealed and are, unfortunately, often accompanied by loss of human lives. Experience of destructive earthquakes in different parts of the country and the world conforms to its long history;

WHEREAS, the Ordinance intends to implement a mandatory affordable measure to at least reduce the distressing consequences of an earthquake to constructions, buildings, establishments and/or environment and most importantly, to people;

WHEREAS, due to the foregoing reasons, BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Mandaluyong in session duly assembled, that:

- SECTION 1. This Ordinance shall be known as *"An Ordinance Mandating the Setting Up of Earthquake Locker in all Government and Business Establishments"*.
- SECTION 2. In the effort to protect against and mitigate from earthquake disasters and combining with established protective measures and further putting stress on the immediate recovery from sudden earthquake impact, there shall be put up in each government office, business establishment, hotel room and condominium unit and such other similar circumstances with a total area of one thousand (1,000) square meters in floor area, Earthquake Locker as described in the next preceding Section.
- SECTION 3. The Earthquake Locker shall be made of metal, mounted securely on walls, secured by a key, placed securely on the side adequate instruction/marking "BREAK GLASS IN CASE OF EMERGENCY". In addition to the foregoing, the Earthquake Locker shall further be marked EQ Sign with Polygraph Symbol and the Ordinance No.
- SECTION 4. The Earthquake Locker shall contain the following tools:
- a. 100 Meters Rope;
 - b. 1 Box of 1 Liter Water;
 - c. Bolt Cutter;

- d. 2 Mallet/Maul;
- e. 2 Fire Axes;
- f. Steel Saw;
- g. 5 Pieces Whistles;
- h. 5 Flashlights/Head Lamps;
- i. 2 Pcs. Rubber Insulated Gloves;
- j. Crow Bar; and
- k. First Aid Kit" and an "AM/FM" radio.

Provided, further, that the earthquake locker shall contain a highly visible notice reading as follows:


"Earthquake Locker", Mandaluyong City Ordinance No. 544, S-2014;

- SECTION 5. No building permit or license shall be issued by the City Engineering Office upon any applicant for the construction of building or any business establishments, hotels, condominium buildings and other like similar circumstances, unless, the building specification plans provides for a definite allocation of reasonable space for earthquake locker for each and every office space, rooms and/or units;
- SECTION 6. The Earthquake Locker shall be put upright beside the fire hose drill which must be located at the corner of the column of the beam connection right at the mid portion of the beam for every one thousand (1,000) square meters of the floor area of the building. Provided, however, that if the building had a total floor area of more than two thousand (2,000) square meters, the Earthquake Locker shall be put up in every one thousand (1,000) square meters for each and every floor of the building;
- SECTION 7. The City Engineering Department shall conduct an annual inspection of all business establishments to ensure compliance with the setting up of earthquake locker and shall mobilize the relevant departments to take measures for the successful protection against and mitigation of earthquake disasters;
- SECTION 8. The owner or any responsible officer of the company, business undertakings holding office upon any establishment, hotels and condominium units, upon due inspection, and found out to be violating or not complying with the mandatory setting up of earthquake locker shall be held liable to pay a fine of Three Thousand Pesos (P3,000.00) for the First Offense; Four Thousand Pesos (P4,000.00) for the Second Offense; and Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) for the Third Offense and forfeiture of Business Permit upon the Fourth Offense or oftener;
- SECTION 9. The City Engineering Department may adopt such rules and regulations to carry out effectively the provisions of this Ordinance;
- SECTION 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any of the herein section or part of the Ordinance be declared as unconstitutional or invalid, other provisions which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in force and in effect;

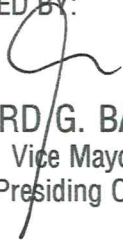
- SECTION 11. REPEALING CLAUSE. All other existing resolutions, ordinances or rules which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified;
- SECTION 12. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval and with the dissemination of this Ordinance to all concerned agencies in Mandaluyong City.

ENACTED on this 31st day of March, 2014 in the City of Mandaluyong.

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


JIMMY D. LACEBAL
Sanggunian Secretary

PRESIDED BY:


EDWARD G. BARTOLOME
Vice Mayor &
Presiding Officer

APPROVED:


BENJAMIN DC. ABALOS, JR.
City Mayor

Date: APR 04 2014