

## Republic of the Philippines CITY COUNCIL City of Manila

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10TH CITY COUNCIL

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Begun and held in the City Council on Thursday, the twenty sixth day of April, Two Thousand Eighteen

## **ORDINANCE NO. 8544**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MANILA TO ISSUE PERMIT OR LICENSE TO THE MANILA COCKERS CLUB, INC. (MCCI) TO ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN OFF-COCKPIT BETTING STATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF MANILA TO SERVICE MCCI'S COCKFIGHTING OPERATIONS CONDUCTED IN CARMONA, CAVITE, SUBJECT TO EXISTING LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS

## PRINCIPAL AUTHORS:

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## PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, the General Welfare Clause under Section 16, Chapter II, Title I, Book I of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, authorizes LGUs to grant licenses and regulate businesses and commercial activities within their jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, paragraph (a)(3)(v), Section 458 of the Local Government Code vests the power in the Sangguniang Panlungsod to regulate the establishment, operation and maintenance of cockpits, cockfighting and commercial breeding of gamecocks;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code empowers the LGU, through its chief executive, to issue licenses and permits to businesses and other commercial activities within their jurisdiction: NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it ordained by the City Council of Manila, in session assembled, THAT:

SECTION 1. ISSUANCE OF PERMIT OR LICENSE. – The City of Manila is hereby authorized to issue a permit or license to the Manila Cockers Club, Inc. (MCCI) to establish, operate and maintain off-cockpit betting stations within the City of Manila to service MCCI's cockfighting operations conducted in the Municipality of Carmona, Province of Cavite, subject to existing laws, rules and regulations.

SEC. 2. CONDITIONS OF THE PERMIT OR LICENSE. – The permit or license to be issued to the MCCI shall be subject to the following conditions:

- (a) The grant to establish, operate and maintain off-cockpit betting stations within the City of Manila shall be for a period of five (5) years and renewable for another five (5) years;
- (b) In no case shall the off-cockpit betting stations be established within 200 meters radius from a public or private educational institution, places of worships, public parks and plazas, hospitals, health centers, public or private markers, barangay hall and public buildings and should comply with the city's zoning ordinance;
- (c) Persons below eighteen (18) years old shall not be allowed to play or place any bets at the off-cockpit betting stations;
- (d) Operator/owner of the off-cockpit betting stations shall provide ample space within its premises to accommodate bettors and parking spaces in order not to obstruct traffic on the roads and streets adjacent to their place of business;
- (e) Operator/owner of the off-cockpit betting stations shall comply with national laws and city ordinances, provisions of the National Building Code and such other lawful orders and conditions imposed by the City Government of Manila and other government agencies.

SEC. 3. REPEALING CLAUSE. – All ordinances and other city issuances, or any part thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed and modified accordingly.

SEC. 4. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. – If for any reason, any provision of this Ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SEC. 5. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. - This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

This Ordinance was finally enacted by the City Council of Manila on May 7, 2018.

PRESIDED BY:

MARIA SHEILAH "Honey" (ACUNA-PANGAN, MD, FPDS
Vice-Mayor and Presiding Officer
City Council, Manila

ATTESTED:

LUCH B. GEMPIS, JR.
City Government Department Head III
Secretary to the City Council)

APPROVED BY HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR, ON

JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA

Mayor City of Manila

ATTESTED:

EDWARD S. SERAPIO
City Government Department Head III
(Secretary to the Mayor)

RNF: jhb/acl/md/k/m/jmt

I veto this Ordinance for being contrary to Section 1, Art. III of the 1987 Constitution

JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA City Mayor