



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
City of Manila
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 37
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**RECONSTITUTION OF THE MANILA BAY TASK FORCE FOR CLEAN-UP,
PRESERVATION, REHABILITATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, under *Section 455 paragraph (b)(2) of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 7160*, otherwise known as the *Local Government Code of 1991*, the undersigned Mayor of the City of Manila has the duty to implement all approved policies, programs, projects, services and activities of the city;

WHEREAS, the city has the sworn duty to administer and uphold national environmental laws within its territorial jurisdiction for the well-being of every Manilaño and to safeguard their right to a healthy environment;

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court in the case of Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA), et al vs. Concerned Residents of Manila Bay (G.R. Nos. 171947-48, 18 December 2008) issued a continuous mandamus to clean-up, preserve, and rehabilitate Manila Bay;

WHEREAS, the DILG through the Manila Bay Clean-up Rehabilitation and Preservation Program (MBCRPP) Implementing Rules and Regulations, Series of 2015 in relation to DILG Memorandum Circular 2022-090, directed all local governments to create a Manila Bay Task Force responsible for the overall planning and implementation of programs relative to the rehabilitation of Manila Bay;

THEREFORE, I, **MARIA SHEILAH "HONEY" H. LACUNA-PANGAN, MD, FPDS**, Mayor of the City of Manila, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the 1987 Philippine Constitution, the Local Government Code of 1991, and existing laws, hereby order the reconstitution of the Manila Bay Task Force as follows:

Section 1. *Composition*. The Manila Bay Task Force shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson	:	MARIA SHEILAH "HONEY" H. LACUNA-PANGAN, MD, FPDS <i>Mayor of the City of Manila</i>
Vice-Chairperson	:	Secretary to the Mayor
Members	:	Officer-In-Charge, Department of Public Services The City Health Officer Officer-In-Charge, Urban Settlements Office Officer-In-Charge, Bureau of Permits Head, City Planning & Development Office <i>gk</i>

Officer-In-Charge, Manila Department of
Social Welfare

The City Engineer

Head, Manila Barangay Bureau

Head, Manila Public Information Office

City Director, DILG-Manila

Head, Division of City Schools – Manila

President, Liga ng mga Barangay

Representatives of Laguna Lake Development
Authority, Manila Water Company, Inc. and
Maynilad Water Services, Inc.

Section 2. *Functions.* The Task Force shall have the following functions:

1. Direct the concerned offices to comply with requirements of the Supreme Court, as may be requested by the concerned National Government Agency;
2. Conduct necessary meetings and issue the necessary directive for the inspection of commercial establishments, factories, and dwelling units along the esteros, riverways, and waterways in Metro Manila;
3. Review and update the five-year plan to ensure compliance of commercial establishments, factories, and homes along the riverbanks and shoreline in Metro Manila with the law as to wastewater treatment facilities and/ or septic tanks;
4. Prepare and submit an updated five-year plan, in coordination with the MMDA, NHA, DPWH, and other concerned agencies, for the permanent removal of illegal structures, constructions, and encroachments in esteros, river ways, and waterways in its area of responsibility;
5. In coordination with MMDA, DENR, DILG, NHA and all other national government agencies directed under the continuing mandamus to ensure that the orders of the Supreme Court are carried out and implemented within the territorial boundaries of the City of Manila; and
6. Perform other functions as may be directed by the law or ordinance relative to the Manila Bay Clean-Up, Preservation, and Rehabilitation.

Section 3. *Composite Team.* The Manila Bay Task Force Composite Team is hereby created to be composed of the following:

One designated representative from Department of Public Services
One designated representative from Manila Health Department – Sanitation Division
One designated representative from Urban Settlements Office
One designated representative from City Planning and Development Office
One designated representative from Bureau of Permits
One designated representative from Department of Engineering and Public Works
One designated representative from Manila Public Information Office
One designated representative from Liga ng mga Barangay

Section 4. *Functions of the Composite Team.* The Manila Bay Task Force Composite Team shall perform the following functions: 24

- a. Conduct inspection of commercial establishments, factories and homes along the riverbanks and shorelines in Metro Manila to ensure applicable laws on wastewater treatment facilities and/or septic tanks;
- b. Issue Notice of Violation to non-complying establishments, factories and homes along riverbanks and shorelines in Metro Manila pursuant to applicable laws on wastewater treatment facilities and/or septic tanks;
- c. Enforce clearing of illegal structures, constructions, and encroachments along esteros, riverways, and waterways within its territorial jurisdiction;
- d. Maintain a database of compliant and non-compliant commercial establishments, factories, and homes along the riverbanks pursuant to applicable laws on wastewater treatment facilities and/or septic tanks;
- e. Monitor non-complying commercial establishments, factories and homes along riverbanks and shorelines in Manila to comply with applicable laws on wastewater treatment facilities and/or septic tanks;
- f. Formulate a Strategic Communication Plan for the implementation of the Manila Bay Clean-Up, Rehabilitation and Preservation Program; and
- g. Formulate the Drainage Master Plan.

Section 5. *Secretariat.* The Manila Bay Task Force Secretariat is hereby created to be led by the Department of Public Services (DPS) and composed of the following:

Manila Health Department – Sanitation Division
Urban Settlements Office
Manila Public Information Office

Section 6. *Duties and Functions.* The Manila Bay Task Force Secretariat shall perform the following functions:


1. Prepare and disseminate the Notice of Meeting every quarter which shall contain the agenda;
2. Prepare and maintain the minutes of the meeting every quarter which will be read and approved by the body during the ensuing meeting; and
3. Keep all records pertaining to the implementation of the Manila Bay Clean-Up Rehabilitation Program, including reports and such as Manila Bayanihan Forms.

Section 7. All prior inconsistent orders, issuances, or directives are considered repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 8. This Order consists of only three (3) pages and shall take effect immediately upon issuance.

Section 9. A copy of this Executive Order shall be furnished the Office of the President, Malacañang Palace, pursuant to paragraph (b)(xii), Section 455 of the Local Government Code of 1991.

Done this 15TH of SEPTEMBER 2022, in the City of Manila, Philippines.



MARIA SHEILAH “HONEY” H. LACUNA-PANGAN MD, FPDS
Mayor of the City of Manila *RV*

ATTESTED BY 

ATTY. MARLON M. LACSON
Secretary to the Mayor