

## Republic of the Philippines SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

City of Mandaluyong

## ORDINANCE NO. 576, S-2014

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF CELLULAR PHONE AND OTHER SIMILAR TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES OR GADGETS BY MOTORISTS WHILE THEIR VEHICLES ARE IN MOTION

- SECTION I. It shall be unlawful for any motorist operating a motorized vehicle to use, as in talking over, texting and/or gaming over a cellular phone, radio communication system, walkie—talkie and other similar devices or gadgets while his or her vehicle is in motion.
- SECTION 2. Driver of vehicles desirous of using their telecommunication devices or gadgets should instead park their vehicles in places where they would not cause traffic obstruction and risk to other motorists and pedestrians.
- SECTION 3. Fire trucks, police patrol cars, ambulances, military vehicles, diplomatic cars and vehicles carrying person/s needing immediate medical attention or medical practitioners for emergency purposes are exempted from the coverage of this Ordinance.
- SECTION 4. Persons found violating this Ordinance shall be fined One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) or one (1) month imprisonment or both at the discretion of the court.
- SECTION 5. NO CONTEST PROVISION. Any person, individual or entity who is apprehended or cited for violation and who does not wish to contest the violation and is willing to pay voluntarily the minimum fine imposed upon him/her prior to the filing of formal charges with the proper court shall be allowed to pay said fine with the City Treasurer to avoid being criminally prosecuted within six (6) hours from apprehension otherwise the case shall be prosecuted.

The City Treasurer, subject to Civil Service Laws, Rules and Regulations, is hereby directed to provide personnel who will accept payment of fines twenty four (24) hours a day so as not to jeopardize the right of the offender to avail of the six-hour period within which to pay under this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

 $\mathsf{ENACTED}$  on this  $\mathsf{13}^{\mathsf{th}}$  day of October, 2014 in the City of Mandaluyong.

APPROVED

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.

PRESIDED BY:

EDWARD G/BARTOLOME

Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer BENJAMIN DC. ABALOS, JR.

Sanggunian Secretary

City Mayor

Date: OCT 2 2 2014

NOTA BENE: This Ordinance repeals Ordinance No. 160, S-1996 and Ordinance No. 322, S-2005 which were enacted on August 1, 1996 and December 5, 2005, respectively.