



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
CITY OF MANDALUYONG



RESOLUTION NO. 3308, S-2023

**A RESOLUTION OF NO OBJECTION FOR THE
PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE SM MEGAMALL
EDSA BUSWAY FOOTBRIDGE CONCOURSE ALONG
EDSA CORNER DOÑA JULIA VARGAS AVENUE,
ORTIGAS CENTER, MANDALUYONG CITY**

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod is mandated, as the legislative body of the City, to enact ordinances, approve resolutions, and appropriate funds for the general welfare of the City and its inhabitants pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government Code of 1991 ("Code"), particularly those geared towards the promotion of the health and safety and the preservation of the comfort and convenience of its inhabitants;

WHEREAS, a holistic approach for the convenient and swift delivery of basic services to the general citizenry is necessary for local government units to comply with the mandate imposed upon them by the LGC of 1991, which incidentally and necessarily includes a close coordination among relevant national government agencies and units, as well as the private sector;

WHEREAS, traffic and passenger congestion have been long-standing concerns, not only in Metro Manila but also throughout the country, as recent and unforeseen increases in vehicular volume effectively demanded a heightened priority for projects geared towards increasing the availability of more convenient yet similarly effective means for passengers and commuters to travel and traverse through the country's roads and thoroughfares;

WHEREAS, as one of the more novel modalities seen to help the National Government and the DOTr in addressing these pressing concerns, the integration and participation of the private sector in the overt steps taken by the Government is always considered a welcome development which shall not only benefit the State in addressing concerns relating to the traffic and passenger congestion along EDSA, but also the general riding, driving, and commuting population and their safety concerns;

WHEREAS, EDSA, as the main thoroughfare in the country, continues to be one of the more relevant focal areas of concern, as despite the implementation of a myriad of governmental projects sought to mitigate and alleviate traffic and passenger congestion, these concerns still remain existing to this day;

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation (DOTr) remains rigorous and committed to providing reliable, safe, accessible, environmentally-friendly, dependable, efficient and comfortable road-based public transport system in the country's main thoroughfare, as evidences by the busway stations constructed along EDSA;

WHEREAS, to assist the State in providing easier and less restrictive means for passengers and commuters travelling along EDSA, SM PRIME HOLDINGS, INC. (SMPHI) proposes to construct, manage, and operate an overhead bridge with passenger concourse for the use of the EDSA Busway Station along SM Megamall in Mandaluyong City ("Project"), in partnership with the Department of Transportation (DOTr), which foresees the facilitation of a safe and convenient access of passengers and pedestrians utilizing the EDSA Busway Median sections;

WHEREAS, the DOTr and SMPHI both acknowledge the crucial need for the Project and the positive impact the same will have on the safety and convenience of pedestrians/commuters;

WHEREAS, acting on the same, the DOTr, through a Letter dated 19 July 2023, requested the City Government of Mandaluyong to issue a statement or action of support on the construction of the concourse through a Letter of No Objection to ensure continuous, peaceful and uninterrupted implementation of the Project;

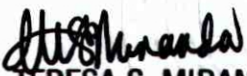
WHEREAS, the City, in full support of the efforts of various stakeholders to preserve the comfort and safety of the general commuting public, sees no objectionable concern or matter in the construction of an overhead bridge with passenger concourse for the EDSA Busway Station within its area of jurisdiction, and as such, offers no objection to the commencement of the same.

NOW THEREFORE, and the above premises considered and upon motion duly seconded, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Mandaluyong RESOLVED as it hereby RESOLVES to grant no objection to the proposed construction of the SM Megamall EDSA Busway Footbridge Concourse located along EDSA corner Doña Julia Vargas Avenue, Ortigas Center, Mandaluyong City.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the relevant departments and offices of the City of Mandaluyong, upon compliance and submission of the requisite documentary requirements and completion of the necessary local government processes, are directed to prioritize the requests made by SMPHI and its duly-authorized contractor/s for the issuance of the necessary permits, licenses, and other similar issuances emanating from the City Government of Mandaluyong and required for the convenient, swift, and successful commencement, implementation, and execution of the Project.


ADOPTED on this 31st day of July 2023, in the City of Mandaluyong.


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


MA. TERESA S. MIRANDA
Sanggunian Secretary

ATTESTED BY:

APPROVED BY:


CARMELITA A. ABALOS
City Vice Mayor &
Presiding Officer


BENJAMIN S. ABALOS
City Mayor
Date: AUG 09 2023