CITY ORDINANCE NO. 23-15 (GENERAL)

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REQUIRING FUTURE HIGH-END REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENTS IN THE CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS TO UTILIZE UNDERGROUND WIRING TECHNOLOGY IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF ELECTRICAL AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES, AND MANDATING THE PROVISION OF LAY-BY ROADS OR DROP-OFF ROADS IN ALL MAJOR ROADS THEREAT.

WHEREAS, the City of General Trias is in rapid progress and must adapt to the changes brought by modernization and technological development particularly on real developments, and electric power, telecommunications and cable industries;

WHEREAS, the common practice of overhead electrical and telecommunications wiring installation created visual clutter characterized by crisscrossing, overlapping, and sagging wires and cables;

WHEREAS, the unsightly and disorderly manner of installation of overhead wires has resulted in a so-called "spaghetti wires" has become an eyesore and obstructed the pleasant image of the City;

WHEREAS, underground wiring technology features advantages on safety and security including less exposure to damages and power outages caused by natural calamities which prevents the occurrence of accidents like tilting of poles, electrical fires and electrocution;

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary for the future high-end developments to consider and implement underground wiring technology in their projects to enhance its aesthetic features, promote safety and security, and attract more investors and tourists in the City;

WHEREAS, it is also significant to establish lay-by roads or drop-off roads within the vicinity of the abovementioned projects in order to prevent the disturbance of traffic on national/main roads and local roads, and create a more organized road system in support to the approved Local Public Transport Route Plan (LPTRP);

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160 also known as the Local Government Code of 1991 mandates the Sangguniang Panlungsod, as the legislative body of the city, to enact ordinances for the general welfare of the city and its inhabitants in the proper exercise of its corporate powers;

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UNDERGROUND WIRING TECHNOLOGY IN THE CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS ORDINANCE.

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Richard R. Parin duly seconded by SP Member Hernando M. Granados,

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod, that:

Section 1. TITLE - This Ordinance shall be known as the "UNDERGROUND WIRING TECHNOLOGY IN THE CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS ORDINANCE".

Section 2. PURPOSE - This Ordinance is ordained for the following purposes:

- a. Enhance the image of the City of General Trias to internationally competitive, capable of attracting investments while ensuring sustainable development;
- b. Provide the populace of the City with a clear model of a sustainable and orderly response to the rising demands of progress and its impact to the environment; and
- c. Adopt measures that will compel the high-end real estate developments to catch up with the most recent and sophisticated technologies.

Section 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS - As used in this Ordinance the following terms are defined as follows:

- a. Cables the insulated conductor or group of conductors protected by a waterproof coat that are installed aerial or underground;
- b. High-end Real Estate Development the real estate development that features a prime location, expensive price, large size, valuable materials, expert design and high-end amenities;
- c. Installation an assemblage power/ telecommunications equipment in a given location designed for coordinated operation properly erected
- d. Lay-by Road or Drop-off Road an area at the side of a road where a vehicle can stop for a short time without interrupting the traffic;
- e. Real Estate Development - the construction, improvement and modification of raw land to increase the value of a certain property;
- f. Service Entrance the conductors and equipment for delivering electric energy from the serving utility to the wiring system of the premises served;
- g. Telecommunications the means of electronic transmission of information over distances. The information may be in the form of voice telephone call, data, text, image or video;

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- h. Underground Wiring the bundling of all types of wire cable particularly electricity, communications cable in duly assigned underground areas; and
- i. Wires a line capable of conducting electrical current.

Section 4. REGULATED ACTS - All future high-end real estate developments in the City of General Trias are required to utilize underground wiring technology and establish lay-by roads or drop-off roads within their properties.

Section 5. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS - The following requirements and standards shall be observed on establishing future high-end real estate developments in the City:

- a. All future high-end real estate developers shall provide service entrances compatible for underground electrical and telecommunications wires and cables:
- b. Owners/developers must provide lay-by roads or dropoff roads within their property to prevent the interruption of traffic flow on national/main roads and local roads. The site development plans shall include details and locations of such roads, and shall be included in the application requirements development permit to the Office of the City Planning and Development Coordinator; and
- c. All wires and cables used must be safe and of high quality. Wires and cables shall be properly and systematically placed, fastened, and insulated to assure physical safety of the public. Warning signs and labels must be placed for public safety and information on areas where wires are located.

Section 6. EXEMPTIONS - In case that the utilization of underground wiring technology is not implemented and installed due to the following reasonable circumstances, this Ordinance may be waived upon receipt of a written notice from the said owner/developer to the City Building Regulatory Division:

- a. Topographic constraints are present in the area which make the installation impractical and unnecessary; and
- b. The location of the property is prone to flooding during heavy rains or typhoons as certified by the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Division or the Office of the City Engineer.

Section 7. PENALTY CLAUSE - The following penalties shall be imposed to any violator of this Ordinance:

- a. After three (3) notices, any owner/developer who violates this Ordinance shall be fined the amount of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5 000.00);
- b. After the fourth and final notice, cancellation of business permit shall be imposed; and

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c. In case of a corporation or partnership, the President and/or General Manager thereof shall be held liable.

Section 8. IMPLEMENTING OFFICES - This Ordinance shall be implemented by the City Building Regulatory Division and the Office of the City Planning and Development Coordinator. Both will accept, evaluate, and issue permits and other authorization to the real estate developers for the feasibility of underground wiring and establishment of lay-by roads or drop-off roads within their property.

Section 9. INFORMATION, **EDUCATION** COMMUNICATION (IEC) **CAMPAIGN** There shall dissemination of information to convey the provisions of this Ordinance to the investors, developers, contractors, project owners, utility operators and community through appropriate channels.

Section 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - If any portion of this Ordinance is declared invalid, the remaining of this Ordinance shall not be affected and shall remain valid and enforceable.

Section 11. REPEALING CLAUSE - All ordinances, rules, and regulations or part thereof where provisions are in conflict or contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 12. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE - This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its posting at three (3) conspicuous places in the City of General Trias.

ORDAINED under THIRD/FINAL READING on 29 MAY 2023.

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