

Ordinance of Kyotango City for the Purpose of Community Development All Citizens Are Happy

Today, circumstances surrounding local society - such as globalization, computerization, and a low birthrate and aging population - are changing moment by moment, at the same time, citizens' values are not only pursuing economic affluence, but also getting more diversity. Accordingly, administrative issues required of the local government are various and tangled up.

In such circumstances, it is necessary to define a center axis of public administration in order to promote citizen-oriented, democratic and effective administration.

Therefore, it is important to put individual or local society's "happiness", that is a universal value, at a center axis of public administration and to ascertain the direction to create a city where nobody is left alone. Based on the recognition, we respect that each citizen has the different sense of happiness, determine basic and common affairs to advance creating a city where all citizens are happy, and establish this ordinance so that every citizen shares and develops it.

(Purpose)

Article 1 The purpose of this ordinance is to clarify the basic principle of community development which all citizens are happy that everybody can increasingly enhance the sense of happiness that is stipulated as a goal of community development (hereinafter referred to as "community development which all citizens are happy") in Article 5, item (vii) of the Kyotango City Community Development Basic Regulation (Kyotango City Regulation No.54, 2007) and to determine basic and common affairs to promote it.

(Basic Principle)

Article 2 Community development which all citizens are happy shall aim to create a city where citizens' various values are respected and each person can enhance the sense of happiness more in view of the fact that "happiness" constitutes the essence of resident welfare that is pursued in a local government.

(Self-help and Sharing the Basic Principle)

Article 3 Citizens shall endeavor to share the basic principle of community development which all citizens are happy as well as they shall be entities that pursue happiness, realize and enjoy it on their own.

(Planning and Execution of Measures of the City)

Article 4 In planning and executing measures, a city shall establish as selectable measures systems as possible and endeavor to reflect effectively on measures of diverse citizens' needs based on comprehensive plans and other basic plans (hereinafter referred to as "basic plans") and in light of prospect over future generations as well.

(Indexation level of happiness and Reflection on measures)

Article 5 Based on the basic plans, a city shall endeavor to index about level of citizens' happiness objectively and concretely and to reflect it on measures.

2 In indexing in the preceding paragraph, a city shall endeavor that an individual value is respected in consideration of the fact that each citizen has different values and they vary depending on his/her feeling.

(Establishment of Cooperative Community)

Article 6 In view of building social infrastructure which citizens support, help, enhance and undertake a role each other in the various fields of local community is the important basis for community development which all citizens are happy, a city shall endeavor to establish institutional and social community for it.

(Improvement of public and social safety net)

Article 7 A city shall endeavor to give consideration to creating a society which protects and respects citizens' lives, and to improve public and social safety net which nobody is pushed to the brink of committing suicide.

(Coordination with other local societies)

Article 8 A city shall give enough consideration to encouraging communities of the city and other cities to support, help and enhance each other so that all of the local people and the whole local community mutually realize happiness more.

(Coordination with the relevant organization, etc.)

Article 9 In planning and executing measures regarding each of the preceding Articles, a city shall implement them adequately in collaboration with the national government, prefectures and other relevant organizations.

Supplementary Provisions

(Effective date)

1 This Ordinance shall come onto force as of the date of promulgation.

(Review)

2 Within a period of four years after the enforcement of this Ordinance, a mayor shall review the status of enforcement of this Ordinance, and take any necessary measures based on the review results.