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Manila Busway Transit (MBT)

Dear Mr. Corcuera,

This is in reference to your letter dated 08 June 2026 and for sharing with us your Manila Busway Transit (MBT) proposal for a metro-wide Bus Rapid Transit network in Metro Manila. We appreciate the effort, research, and dedication that you have invested in this initiative, as well as your sincere commitment to helping improve public transportation for the commuting public.

Your proposal presents a thoughtful and ambitious vision for a more connected and commuter-oriented transport system. We also commend the paper for highlighting the potential of dedicated bus infrastructure, especially in light of the EDSA Busway experience, which has shown that properly planned bus priority facilities can play an important role in easing mobility in Metro Manila.

While the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) highly values these insights, it is important to note that the Department of Transportation (DOTr) serves as the lead agency for bus rapid transit planning and development, in coordination with the concerned transport agencies and stakeholders. MMDA's role in the EDSA Busway was primarily in traffic management and implementation support, while the broader project direction and funding were spearheaded by the DOTr.

Accordingly, we advise coordinating directly with the DOTr to align your proposal with the existing and planned busway expansion programs. This will help ensure that the proposal is properly matched with the appropriate mandate, technical considerations, and implementation framework. A presentation to the Metro Manila Council may then be pursued more productively, once supported by a concrete and fully coordinated agency-aligned plan.

We likewise recognize and appreciate that your paper is a citizen-led advocacy document grounded in observation and research. It is always encouraging to receive well-considered proposals from members of the public who share a genuine interest in contributing to the improvement of transport systems in Metro Manila. Please be assured that your initiative is appreciated and that your ideas are valuable to ongoing discussions on mobility and public service.

Thank you once again for reaching out and for your continued interest in advancing practical transport solutions for our commuters.

Very truly yours,

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