

**“Tehran: An Age-Friendly City”**  
*(Bill to be enacted by the Islamic City Council)*

**Article one:**

According to items 2, 4, 5 and the article 71 of the law on “organization, duties and election of the city councils” passed on 21/5/1996 and the pursuant corrections and amendments; also according to item d of the 5 year plan of the municipality passed and approved on 1/12/2009 and in alignment with the contents of strategy number 4 of the “Comprehensive Urban Planning” of the city of Tehran passes on 25/11/2007, the Tehran Municipality is tasked to use its construction, cultural, social, supportive and welfare activities as well as its other services for improvement of the status of aged people in the city in accordance with the content of this act.

**Definition:**

The aged person: for the purpose of this act, the old age is defined as the age over **60 years**.

**Age-Friendly City:**

Age Friendly city is a city that its physical structures are developed based on the need of the aged people, and criteria and indicators are set to respect the old people and adequate attention paid by the social institutions (specially the family unit) and a city in which the old person is encouraged to use the improved opportunities for his/her health and livelihood as the other citizens by means of his/her active participation and security to result in a proper aging process and a higher quality of life for all.

Age-Friendly city consists of the infrastructures that enables the old and aged to fulfill their requirements and is based on the capacity of the age of the people for taking benefit from the appropriate cultural and social spaces in the city.

**Article 2:**

The activities that shall be undertaken by the municipality under this act are as follows:

**Item 1:**

Making appropriate the passageways (pavements and roads), and their design and suiting the infrastructures and the public seats and benches so that the old people, even those with motor dysfunction type of disability, can use these places at ease.

**Item 2:**

Preparation, development, issuing directive and optimal supervision over implementation of the standards of public, commercial and residential buildings to decrease accidents that may endanger the health of the old people.

**Note 1:** The deputy mayor's office for city construction and architecture is responsible to prepare within 3 months the executive guidelines of the above-mentioned items and present them to planning and supervision committee for finalization and approval.

**Actions for Transportation and Traffic**

**Item 1:**

Suiting the bus and the underground train stations and other public transportation terminals for the old and the aged

**Item 2:**

Suiting public transportation vehicles and developing specifically standardized spaces for for the old and the aged.

**Item 3:**

Offering special facilities and services for helping the old and the aged to use public transportation terminals

**Note 2:** The Deputy Office for Transportation and Traffic and is tasked accordingly to prepare within 3 months the guidelines of the aforementioned items for finalization and approval and to present it to the Planning and Supervision Committee.

**The Actions of the Urban Services**

**Item 1:**

Suiting parks and small gardens in the city

**Item 2:**

Adding toilets and rest-rooms that suit the requirements of the old and the aged to the existing public toilets in the city and imparting the structure with all public toilets that would be constructed from now on.

**Item 3:**

Designing and adding specialized sofas and benches throughout the city including public passages, Shahrvand (meaning citizen) chain stores, fruit and vegetables daily markets and other related places for the old and the aged people.

**Item 4:**

Educating and creating the culture to respect the old and the aged by using billboards, national television stations and artistic drawings on the wall in the city.

**Cultural and Social Actions**

**Construction actions:**

**Item 1:**

Building at least 5 cultural, social and sport centres for the aged in 5 widespread geographical locations of Tehran where a good access shall be provided for the people coming from 4 main directions of the city (north, south, west and east). This shall be achieved through participation of the private sector, charity organizations and/or by using municipality resources.

**Welfare and supportive actions:**

**Item 2:**

Supporting the establishment of private day care centres for the old people according to the guidelines indicated in item 2 of the section A of the article 2.

**Item 3:**

Providing the opportunity for the old and the aged people to use free-of-charge (or other facilitative measures) the cultural, artistic and sport programs of the Tehran Municipality and other related institutions such as the neighborhood halls, cultural centres, libraries, sport facilities and other related centres.

**Item 4:**

Using the dignifying scheme for the aged according to the existing guidelines and directives

**Item 5:**

Holding and implementing cultural programs for national or religious festivals to promote the status of the old people in all neighborhoods of Tehran

**Item 6:**

Educating people and advocating for the dignifying-the-old culture across the society with the responsibility of the Cultural and Artistic Deputy Office of the Municipality of Tehran

**Item 7:**

Educating the employees and the personnel of the municipality and its related institutions who are in daily contact and interaction with the old people such as: bus and taxi drivers, workers in the fruit and vegetables daily markets and so forth.

## **Social Actions:**

### **Item 8:**

Supporting the civil-based institutions and other organs active in field of the aged people

### **Item 9:**

Cooperation with and support of any national, regional and international program for the old and the aged

### **Item 10:**

Supporting the establishment of elderly clubs in the neighborhoods of Tehran to facilitate social presence and participation of the old and the aged and to promote the level of their mental health

### **Item 11:**

Planning, support and participation in the projects for the empowerment and health promotion of the old and the aged

### **Item 12:**

Creating the appropriate conditions to use the experiences and capacities of the old and the aged people in the management of the city.

## **Article 3:**

### **Planning and Supervision Committee**

To plan and to implement with quality of this act a committee will be shaped from the following people:

- 1- The Deputy Mayor for "Social and Cultural Affairs" of the municipality as the "**chairman**" of the committee
- 2- One person form the "Cultural, Social and Living Environment Commission" chosen by the commission members
- 3- The Deputy Mayor for "City Construction and Architectures"
- 4- The Deputy Mayor for "Finance and Administration"
- 5- The Deputy Mayor for "Transportation and Traffic"
- 6- The Deputy Mayor for "Urban Services"
- 7- The Deputy Mayor for "Technicality and Constructions"
- 8- The Deputy Mayor for "Planning and City Development"
- 9- Chair of the "Cultural and Artistic Organization" of Tehran Municipality
- 10- Three experts/technical persons in the elderly affairs as per suggestion of the "Cultural and Social Commission" of "Islamic City Council"

11- One person as a representative from the elderly clubs and the Civil based organizations active in the elderly domain who is officially introduced by the “Headquarter for Organizing the Civil-Based Institutions”

**Note 3:**

If required, the committee can benefit from representatives of other units of the municipality as well.

**Note 4:**

The secretariat of the committee shall be stationed in office of the “Deputy Office for Social and Cultural Affairs” of the municipality (The Office for Welfare, Services and Social Participations)

**Article 4:**

Within 3 months after the bill is enacted, the necessary guidelines shall be presented to the “Cultural, Social and the Living Environment Commission” for finalization and approval.

**Article 5:**

All organizations and the deputy mayors’ offices included in this act shall incorporate the necessary budgeting in their annual programs.

**Article 6:**

Tehran Municipality is responsible to present semi-annually (once every 6 months) the progress report on the actions taken as of this act to the “Islamic City Council”

*The “Age-Friendly City” program for the 1391 Iranian calendar (March 2012 to March 2013)*

<i>No.</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Main Responsible</i>	<i>Cooperating organization/s</i>	<i>Time to start</i>	<i>Approving organization</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>Suiting the passageways , designing and suiting the infrastructures and benches of the public places in the city</i>	<i>The Deputy Mayor office for technicality and constructions</i>	<i>The Deputy Mayor office for the Urban Services And the organization for Transportation and Traffic</i>	<i>Second half of the year (calendar)</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>Preparation, development, issuing directive and optimal supervision over implementation of the standards of public, commercial and residential buildings</i>	<i>The Deputy Mayor’s office for City Construction and Architectures</i>	<i>The Deputy Mayor for Urban Services The Deputy Mayor for Technicality and Constructions the organization for Transportation and Traffic</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>Suiting public transportation vehicles and developing specifically standardized spaces for the aged</i>	<i>organization for Transportation and Traffic</i>	<i>The Deputy Mayor for City Construction and Architectures</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>Offering special facilities and services for helping the old and the aged take use of the public transportation terminals</i>	<i>organization for Transportation and Traffic</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor’s office for Social and Cultural Affairs</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>Providing the opportunity for the old people to use whether free-of-charge or through other facilitative measures, the cultural, artistic and sport programs of Tehran Municipality and other</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor’s office for Social and Cultural Affairs</i>	<i>cultural and Artistic Organization of Tehran municipality</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>

	<i>related institutions</i>				
6	<i>Building at least 5 cultural, social and sport centres for the aged in 5 widespread geographical locations of Tehran that can provide a good access for the people coming from 4 main directions of the city that is north, south, west and east. This shall be achieved The planning and supervision committee by participation of the private sector, charity organizations and/or by using municipality resources</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor's office for Social and Cultural Affairs</i>	<i>Organization for investment and social participation</i>	<i>March 2013 to March 2014</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>
7	<i>supporting the establishment of private day care centres for the old people</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor's office for Social and Cultural Affairs</i>	<i>The Deputy Mayor's office for City Construction and Architectures</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The Planning and Supervision Committee</i>
8	<i>holding and executing cultural programs for national or religious festivities to promote the status of the old people in all neighborhoods of Tehran</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor's office for Social and Cultural Affairs</i>	<i>Cultural and Artistic Organization of the municipality</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>
9	<i>supporting the civil-based institutions and other organs active in field of the aged people</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor's office for Social and Cultural Affairs</i>	<i>The HQ for organization of civil based institutions</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>
10	<i>cooperation with and support of any national, regional and international program in aged or old people domain</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor's office for Social and Cultural Affairs</i>	<i>The HQ for organization of civil based institutions</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>
11	<i>supporting the establishment of elderly clubs in the neighborhoods of Tehran</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor's office for Social and Cultural Affairs</i>	<i>Cultural and Artistic Organization of the municipality and The HQ</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>

			<i>for organization of civil based institutions</i>		
<i>12</i>	<i>planning and support and participation in the projects for the empowerment and health promotion of the elderly</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor's office for Social and Cultural Affairs</i>	<i>Cultural and Artistic Organization of the municipality and The HQ for organization of civil based institutions</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>
<i>13</i>	<i>creating the appropriate conditions for using the experiences and capabilities of the old people in management of the city</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor's office for Social and Cultural Affairs</i>	<i>The organization for the retired personnel of the municipality</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>
<i>14</i>	<i>educating people and advocating for the dignifying-the-old culture across the society</i>	<i>Cultural and Artistic Organization</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor's office for Social and Cultural Affairs and the deputy mayors office for the urban services</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>
<i>15</i>	<i>using the dignifying scheme for the aged according to the existing guidelines and directives</i>	<i>Deputy Mayor's office for Social and Cultural Affairs</i>	<i>organization for Transportation and Traffic and The organization for the retired personnel of the municipality And Cultural and Artistic Organization of Tehran Municipality</i>	<i>January 2013</i>	<i>The planning and supervision committee</i>