## (A Thesis on Land Use Change and Urbanization of New Manila)

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## **Abstract**

The population, diversity of housing types, commercial activity and attitudes behind the land use decisions has shaped the land use patterns of New Manila- one of Metro Manila's old residential areas. The local government together with the community must all be involved in the land conversion process that will eventually result to its optimum use. This research paper provides insight on the spatial and urban issues of New Manila. It examines the connections between land use change and urbanization in the said study area and how the local community responds to these processes. An understanding of the land use scene and the concentration of the population could result to appropriate government policies that would facilitate proper utilization of the land resources as well as reducing land degradation.