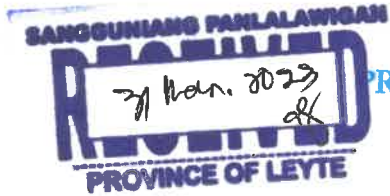


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2nd Indorsement
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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 01, S. 2023 of the SB of La Paz, Leyte, recommending for the declaration of validity pursuant to its power under Section 56 (c) of R.A 7160, the same being, to the opinion of the Provincial Legal Office (PLO), in consonance with the authority under Section 34, 35 and 36, Chapter 4 of the Code.

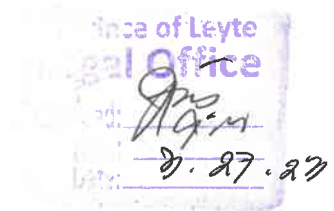
ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL
Asst. Provincial Legal Officer

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

1ST INDORSEMENT
24 March 2023



The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 01**, series of 2023 of the Municipality of **LA PAZ, LEYTE**, entitled: AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE LA PAZ PEOPLE'S COUNCIL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA PAZ, LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF.


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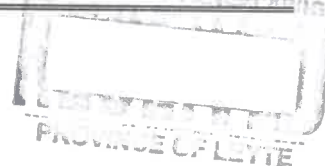


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22 March 2023

FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian
Sangguniang Panlalawigan
Province of Leyte
Legislative Bldg., Capitol Complex
Palo, Leyte



Madam:

Respectfully submitting herewith copies of the **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 01, SERIES OF 2023 – AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE LA PAZ PEOPLE'S COUNCIL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA PAZ, LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF** for review and perusal of that office.

Please acknowledge receipt hereof and requesting the same be given due course and appropriate action.

Early action hereon will be highly appreciated.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

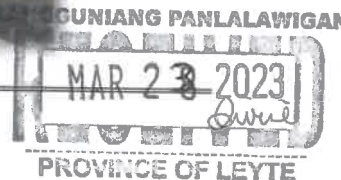
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Secretary of the Sangguniang Bayan



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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 01
Series of 2023

AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE LA PAZ PEOPLE’S COUNCIL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA PAZ, LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF

Author: Honorable Noel M. Sia

EXPLANATORY NOTE

WHEREAS, Article 13, Section 15 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that “The State shall respect the role of independent people’s organizations to enable the people to pursue and protect within the democratic framework, their legitimate and collective interests and aspirations through peaceful and lawful means;

WHEREAS, Article 13, Section 16 of the Philippine Constitution provides that “The right of the people and their organizations to effective and reasonable participation at all levels of social, political and economic decision-making shall not be abridged. The State shall, by law, facilitate the establishment of adequate consultation mechanism;

WHEREAS, Article 62, Rule XIII, Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Local Government Code provides that the Local Government Units shall promote the establishment and operation of non-government organizations, people’s organizations and private sector to make them active partners in the pursuit of local autonomy and to directly involve them in planning and implementation of programs and projects of the LGU’s;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of La Paz, Leyte is espoused by various Non-Government Organizations, People’s Organizations and Civil Society Organizations who are the direct partners in the grass roots level;

WHEREAS, with their pro-active partnership in the policy making, project implementation, monitoring and evaluation, this ordinance in recognizing their big role as guardians will encourage people’s participation in local governance by institutionalizing this laudable scheme in the Local Government of La Paz, Leyte;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Honorable Jose T. Cartel, duly seconded by Honorable Alvin M. Tejome;

BE IT ORDAINED in the regular session assembled by the Sagguniang Bayan that:

Section I. TITLE – This ordinance shall be known as the La Paz People’s Council.

Section II. LEGAL BASIS – The basis of this ordinance are the following:

- Senate Bill No. 2567 “An Act Establishing a People’s Council in every Local Government Unit”
- 1987 Philippine Constitution, Article II, Section 23, Article XIII, Section 15 and Article XIII, Section 16
- RA 7160, also known as the Local Government Code Section 34, Section 35 and Section 36

- Memorandum Circular No. 201-012 of the Department of Interior and Local Government

Section III. DEFINITION OF TERMS – as used in this ordinance, the following terms shall be understood as follows:

Civil Society Organization (CSO) – means any organized citizen's group, including People's Organization (PO's) and Non-Government Organizations (NGO's) such as community groups, labor unions, indigenous groups, charitable organizations, faith-based organizations, professional associations and foundations;

Federation – refers to an encompassing political or societal entity formed by uniting smaller or more localized entities;

Institutionalization – refers to the process of embedding some conception with an organization, social system or society as a whole;

Local Sanggunian – means a local legislative body either specifically the Sangguniang Panlungsod/ Sangguniang Bayan;

Non-Government Organization – is a voluntary group or institution with a social mission which operates independently from the Government;

People's Organization – refers to grass roots volunteer organization that advance the economic and social well-being of their members and address concerns relating to a particular sector such as fisherfolks, farmers, local laborers or indigenous people;

People's Council – refers to a group or network of CSO's, PO's and other nob-government and non-profit groups and organization whether accredited, registered and recognized in the locality. It is an LGU-based NGO/PO mechanism which concretizes the spirit of people's participation and advances the principle of partnership in local governance.

Section IV. SCOPE AND COVERAGE – This covers all Civil Society Organizations (CSO's) and People's Organizations (PO's) that are accredited, registered and recognized in the LGU's including the federations of CSO's and Local People's Council.

Section V. CREATION/ESTABLISHMENT OF A CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATION'S DESK – There shall be created/established a CSO Desk to be headed by a designated or appointed CSO Desk Officer who shall facilitate and promote people's participation in governance with the LGU.

Further, the duties and responsibilities of the CSO Desk Officer are the following:

- a) Cause the organization of federation or coalition of sectoral CSO's from the Barangay level to the Municipal level and Municipal level to the Provincial level, including the formation of People's Council in the LGU;
- b) Mobilize and ensure participation of accredited and recognized CSO's in the various processes and activities of the local government, particularly in planning, budgeting, monitoring and other service delivery areas;
- c) Coordinate with the established Federation of Local CSO and People's Council, the holding of regular meetings and other relevant activities of the CSO's;

- d) Monitor through the People's Council, CSO participation in the programs, projects and activities of the local government;
- e) Maintain and update local CSO database;
- f) Collaborate and submit reports to the concerned DILG Field Officer on matters relating to the programs, projects and activities of the CSO's and
- g) Perform relevant functions as may be required by higher authorities.

Section VI. CREATION OF LA PAZ' PEOPLE'S COUNCIL – The La Paz People's Council shall be composed of all representatives within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of La Paz, Leyte.

Moreover, the La Paz People's Council shall not engage or allow itself or its member organizations to be used for purposes of partisan politics and shall adopt such measures to ensure that it is adequately shielded from any political partisanship or influence.

Section VII. FUNDING/APPROPRIATIONS – The funds needed for the capacity building of CSO's as well as the maintenance and other operating expenses of the CSO Desk and the People's Council to include their travelling expenses, participation to local, provincial, regional and other agencies' participation to workshops, seminars and meetings particularly in relation to participation in local governance shall be included in the Annual/Supplemental Annual Investment Program and to the Annual/Supplemental Budgets of the Local Government of La Paz, Leyte.


Section VIII. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE – If any provision or part hereof is held invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of the ordinance of the provision not otherwise affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

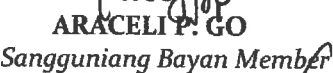
Section IX. REPEALING CLAUSE – All ordinances contrary to or inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section X. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE – The ordinance shall take upon approval of the Sangguniang bayan of La Paz, Leyte, subject to the approval of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan .

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED AND ENACTED this 14th day of March, 2023 at the 2nd Regular Session of the month of the Sangguniang Bayan of La Paz, Leyte.

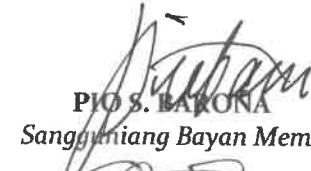

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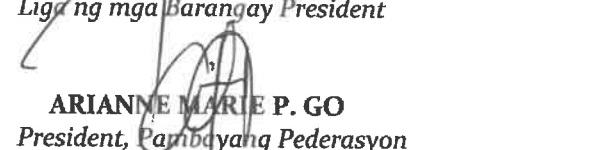
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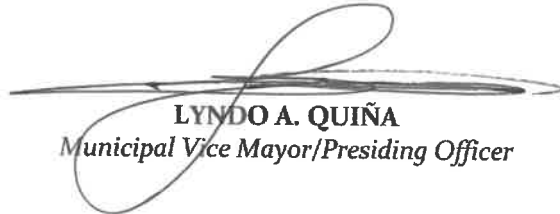

ARIANNE MARIE P. GO
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I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing quoted Municipal Ordinance.



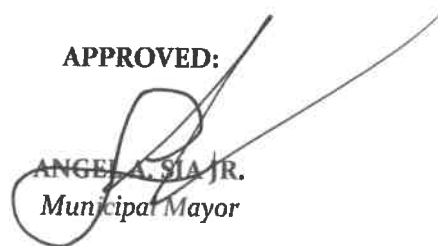
ERWIN M. CERNAL
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ATTESTED:



LYNDO A. QUIÑA
Municipal Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED:



ANGEL A. SIA JR.
Municipal Mayor



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CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that **POSTING** in prominent places in the Municipal Hall and other conspicuous places in the locality was undertaken and copies of said ordinances was remain posted for three (3) consecutive weeks pursuant to Section 59 (b) of Republic Act 7190, in relation on the ordinance - **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 01, SERIES OF 2023 - AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE LA PAZ PEOPLE'S COUNCIL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA PAZ, LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF.**

Subject ordinance is being forwarded to that Body for review in compliance with Section 56 of Republic Act 7160.

ISSUED this 22nd day of March 2023 at the office of Sangguniang Bayan, La Paz, Leyte.

Very truly yours,

ERWIN M. CERNAL

Secretary of the Sangguniang Bayan