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PROVINCE OF LEYTE
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PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICE

2nd INDORSEMENT

December 26, 2024

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 24-17 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte.

Issues/concerns for review/recommendation/legal opinion is/are as follows:

• Ordinance No. 24-17 entitled: "An Ordinance establishing the Teen Center in the Municipality of Burauen, Leyte."

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office is of the opinion that the subject Ordinance is generally in accordance with its power under Section 17(b)(2)(iv)¹ of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160) in relation to RA No. 10742². Hence, we recommend for the declaration of its validity.

We hope to have assisted you with this request. Please note that the opinion rendered by this Office are based on the facts available and may vary or change when additional facts and documents are presented or changed. This opinion is likewise without prejudice to the opinions rendered by higher and competent authorities and/or the courts.

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

¹ (iv) Social welfare services which include programs and projects on child and youth welfare, family and community welfare, women's welfare, welfare of the elderly and disabled persons; community-based rehabilitation programs for vagrants, beggars, street children, scavengers, juvenile delinquents, and victims of drug abuse; livelihood and other pro-poor projects; nutrition services; and family planning services;

² "Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of 2015"

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed Municipal Ordinance No. 24-17 of the Municipality of Burauen, Leyte, entitled: An Ordinance establishing the Teen Center in the Municipality of Burauen, Leyte.

Secretary to the Sanggunian



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

December 16, 2024

THE HONORABLE MEMBERS Sangguniang Panlalawigan **Province of Leyte**

ATTENTION: FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO

Secretary to the Sanggunian

Province of Leyte

Palo, Leyte

SANGGUNIANG PANI ROVINCE OF LEY

Ladies/Gentlemen:

We transmit herewith 15 copies of Municipal Ordinance No. 24-17, Series of 2024 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled "An Ordinance Establishing the Teen Center in the Municipality of Burauen, Leyte", for review and approval of the body.

Thank you and please acknowledge receipt hereof.

Respectfully yours,

CHARITY C. BARBOSA Board Secretary II





Republic of the Philippines Province of Leyte Municipality of Burauen



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN



MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 24-17 SERIES OF 2024

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE TEEN CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BURAUEN, LEYTE

SPONSOR: HON. FE S. RENOMERON

Chairman, Committee on Social Services, Senior Citizens, Women and Family Welfare

WHEREAS, it is a declared state policy under the Philippine Constitution to recognize the vital role of the youth in nation-building and to promote their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being;

WHEREAS, under Republic Act No. 10742 or the "Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of 2015", as amended, the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) shall initiate and implement, in coordination with any national government agency and/or any private or non-government institution, programs and projects designed to promote general welfare, development and empowerment of the youth;

WHEREAS, the establishment of Teen Center within Local Government Units is intended to create a designated space and allocate resources specifically for the growth and welfare of teenagers;

WHEREAS, this center act as platform tailored to meet the distinct requirements and passions of young individuals within the community;

WHEREAS, the Municipal Government of Burauen is committed to creating a supportive environment by establishing a Teen Center that promotes empowerment, personal growth, and positive engagement among the youth;

WHEREAS, the Municipal Government of Burauen acknowledges its duty to create a robust and responsive support system that safeguards the youth and promotes their meaningful involvement in nation-building efforts.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, in regular session assembled, that:

SECTION 1 - Title. This ordinance shall be known as, "Teen Center Ordinance of Burauen, Leyte".

SECTION 2 – Declaration of Policies and Principles. The Municipal Government of Burauen acknowledges that the youth require targeted interventions and programs to tackle both existing and emerging health concerns. These include the need for comprehensive sex education and reproductive health awareness, rising rates of sexually transmitted infections, teenage pregnancy, mental health issues, and the use and abuse of smoking and illegal substances, among other related challenges.

SECTION 3 – Creation of Teen Center. A Teen Center is hereby created and will be managed by the Local Youth Development Office (LYDO). The Municipal Government of Burauen will designate a location for the Teen Center to serve its intended purposes. The

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Municipal Health Office through the Municipal Population Officer shall be in charge of its supervision.

SECTION 4 – *Power and Functions*. The Teen Center shall have the following powers and functions:

- a. To direct the Municipal Population Officer to train the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) Chairpersons and Members and the Local Youth Development Council (LYDC) as peer facilitators in the following youth concerns:
 - i. Lack of sex education and reproductive health awareness;
 - ii. Sexually transmitted infection including HIV/AIDS;
 - iii. Teenage pregnancy;
 - iv. Mental Health;
 - v. Smoking and Illegal Drugs and substance use and abuse; and
 - vi. All other issues concerning the youth, as may be determined by the Local Youth Development Officer.
- b. To provide free adolescent and youth-friendly counselling services led by the trained peer facilitators and/or designated officer from Municipal Population Office.
- c. To conduct community orientations in barangays in collaboration with the Punong Barangay and relevant government offices or agencies on youth issues, including but not limited to the following:

Youth Concerns	Government Office/Agencies
Lack of sex education and reproductive	Municipal Health Office
health awareness, and sexually transmitted	_
infections including HIV/AIDS;	
Teenage pregnancy;	Municipal Population Office
Mental Health;	Municipal Health Office
Smoking and illegal drugs and substance	Municipal Police Station
use and abuse	•

- d. To conduct school-based orientations regarding the youth concerns mentioned above in coordination with the Schools Division Office of Leyte;
- e. To conduct seminars and workshops in coordination with the appropriate government office, agency and/or private or non-government institution to improve youth participation and promote youth development programs;
- f. To provide direct interventions toward the prevention of risky sexual and non-sexual behavior among teens;
- g. To provide opportunities for dialogue and interactions among teens;
- h. To provide counselling and life skills development opportunities for teens; and
- i. To provide a venue where teens can hang out and play games, listen to music, watch movies, or simply talk with each other.

SECTION 5 – Designation of Several Municipal Properties as Youth Development Facilities. The Municipal Mayor may designate municipal properties as youth development facilities which shall be used in the promotion of youth welfare and the achievement of the goals of this ordinance.

SECTION 6 – *Funding*. The municipal government shall appropriate funds yearly which can be sourced out from GAD, for the proper implementation of powers and functions of the Teen Center.

SECTION 7 – *Interpretation*. Any doubt in the interpretation of this ordinance shall be construed to value the dignity of every human person and guarantees the respect of individual rights.

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SECTION 8 – *Separability Clause.* If any of the provisions of this ordinance is declared invalid and unconstitutional, other parts or provisions hereof shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 9 - Effectivity. This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

CARRIED AND APPROVED, this 12th day of August 2024, in regular session assembled.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

CHARITY C. BARBOSA

Board Secretary II
Acting Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

(absent)

HON. NOEL P. ALPINO

Vice-Mayor

HON VINCENT G. ENERLAN

Sangguniang Bayan Member

HON. HERMENIA C. CAMASIN

Sangguniang Bayan Member

HON. DEXTER R. SENO

Sangguniang Rayan Member

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HON. FE'S RENOMERON

LnB President Ex-Officio SB Member

HON. CIPRIANO R. RELATORRES, JR.

Sangguniang Bayan Member

HON BRYAN R. CINCO

Sangguniang Bayan Member

(absent)

HON. ROBERT G. DEL PILAR

Sangguniang Bayan Member

HON. OSCAR A. CAGARA

Sangguniang Bayan Member/ Presiding Officer

(absent)

HON. JUSTINE MERP G. ANDRADE

SK Federation President/ Ex-Officio Member

APPROVED:

HON. JUANITO E. RENOMERON

Mayor



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that <u>Municipal Ordinance No. 24-17</u>, Series of 2024 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled, "An Ordinance Establishing the Teen Center in the Municipality of Burauen, Leyte", was enacted on August 12, 2024, approved on even date, and has been posted in two (2) conspicuous and publicly accessible places of the municipality from August 14, 2024 to September 3, 2024, in compliance with Section 59, paragraph (b) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991".

Burauen, Leyte, September 5, 2024.

HON. NOEL P. ALPINO
Vice-Mayor

