



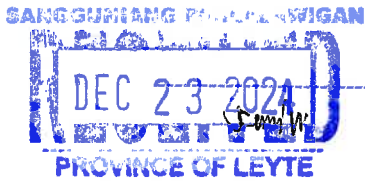
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PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICE

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2nd INDORSEMENT
December 9, 2024

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 12 s.2024 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Abuyog, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 12 s.2024 entitled: **“An Ordinance authorizing the Municipal Treasurer to collect barangay clearance fees in the application for the issuance of business permits and/or locational clearance of the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte, etc.”**

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office is of the opinion that the subject Ordinance is generally in accordance with its power under Section 447(a)¹ of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160) in consonance with R.A. no. 11032². 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 *JRA*

¹(a) *The sangguniang bayan, as the legislative body of the municipality, shall enact ordinances, approve resolutions and appropriate funds for the general welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants pursuant to Section 16 of this Code and in the proper exercise of the corporate powers of the municipality as provided for under Section 22 of this Code,*

² *“Ease of Doing Business Act”*

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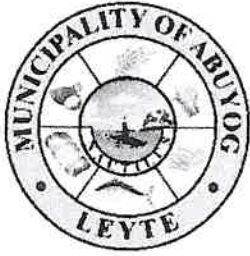
1ST ENDORSEMENT
16 August 2024



Respectfully indorsed to the **PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICE** the herein **ORDINANCE NO. 12 s. 2024** of the **MUNICIPALITY OF ABUYOG, LEYTE**, for review and recommendations.


FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

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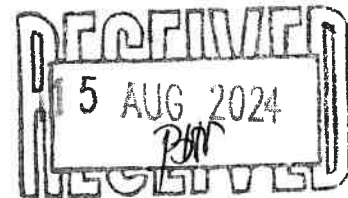


Office of the Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

August 14, 2024

FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian
Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte
Legislative Building
Capitol Grounds
Tacloban City

SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN



PROVINCE OF LEYTE

Ma'am:

Respectfully transmitting herewith as attached Ordinances of the Sangguniang Bayan of Abuyog, Leyte for the review of the Honorable Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Leyte, to wit:

- 1. ORDINANCE NO. 11, s. 2024**
"AN ORDINANCE UPDATING THE GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT CODE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ABUYOG"
- 2. ORDINANCE NO. 12, S. 2024**
"AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL TREASURER TO COLELCT BARANGAY CLEARANCE FEES IN THE APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS PERMITS AND/OR LOCATIONAL CLEARANCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ABUYOG, LEYTE"

Thank you and more power.

Very respectfully yours,


ARSENIO Y. VILLOTE
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

a/s



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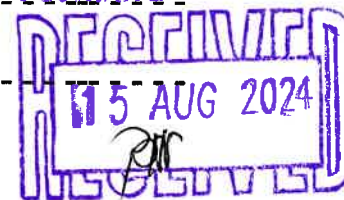
Office of the Sangguniang Bayan

ORDINANCE NO.12, SERIES 2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL TREASURER TO COLLECT BARANGAY CLEARANCE FEES IN THE APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS PERMITS AND/OR LOCATIONAL CLEARANCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ABUYOG, LEYTE

Introduced by: SBM Jeannette A. Valida

SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN



EXPLANATORY NOTE

PROVINCE OF LEYTE

- WHEREAS, there is a need to streamline/simplify the process of business registration in the municipality of Abuyog, Leyte, to provide a more efficient and effective revenue collection and to promote a friendlier atmosphere for taxpayers and investors;
 - WHEREAS, when regulations are simple and transparent, entrepreneurs need not to suffer from red tape and time consuming transactions;
 - WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11032 otherwise known as the "Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Delivery of Government Services Act" was signed into law seeks to make the process of putting up and running a business in the Philippines easier and more efficient;
 - WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 11 (f) of the said Act, provides that barangay clearances and permits related to doing business shall be applied, issued and collected at the city/municipality in accordance with the prescribed processing time of this Act; Provided, that the share in the collections shall be remitted to the respective barangays;
 - WHEREAS, the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) through Memorandum Circular Number 2019-177 issued on October 17, 2019 provides guidelines and standard processes in compliance with the above cited provision of Republic Act 11032;
 - WHEREAS, barangays in the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte, enacted Barangay Ordinances and issued resolutions to authorize the Municipal Treasurer of the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte to issue barangay clearance for business permits/locational clearance and collect corresponding barangay clearance fee , subject to the remittance of the aforesaid fees to the barangay concerned and the conditions hereunder;
- HENCE, this Ordinance.

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HON. JEANNETTE A. VALIDA
Sangguniang Bayan Member



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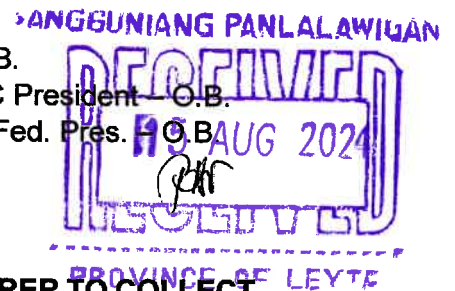
EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 24TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE 19th HONORABLE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF ABUYOG, LEYTE HELD AT ITS SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING MUNICIPAL COMPOUND, ABUYOG, LEYTE ON JUNE 18, 2024

PRESENT:

Hon. James L. Bohol	Municipal Vice-Mayor, Prsdg. Officer
Hon. Jeannette A. Valida	SB Member, Prsdg. Pro-tempore
Hon. Antonio C. Almendra, Jr.	SB Member
Hon. Arnold R. Allera	SB Member
Hon. Editha C. Deloy	SB Member
Hon. Edmundo P. Saño	SB Member
Hon. Francisco B. Landia	SB Member, Floor Leader
Hon. Erwin V. Belleza	SB Member

ABSENT:

Hon. Patrocinio A. Risos, Jr.	SB Member – O.B.
Hon. Dario P. Lleve	SB Member, ABC President – O.B.
Hon. Melliza Jane C. Traya	SB Member, SK Fed. Pres. – O.B.



ORDINANCE NO.12, SERIES 2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL TREASURER TO COLLECT BARANGAY CLEARANCE FEES IN THE APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS PERMITS AND/OR LOCATIONAL CLEARANCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ABUYOG, LEYTE

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Abuyog, Leyte in session assembled that;

Section 1. COVERAGE. This policy applies only to the issuance of Barangay Clearance for Business permits and Locational Clearance as a requirement for the issuance of Building Permit at the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte. Other clearances for other purposes shall still be obtained at the barangay.

Section 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS. The words and phrases used in this Ordinance are hereby defined as follows:

Barangay Clearance – refers to any and all documents issued by the barangays with or without corresponding fees as defined in their ordinances relative to, or in relation, to the issuance of business permit and locational/zoning clearance by the municipality, or any other permit as may be required.

Barangay Clearance Fee – is an amount imposed by the barangays through an ordinance and collected by the municipality in relation to the issuance of business permit and locational clearance by the municipality.

Business Permit – is a document that must be secured from the municipal government, through its Business Permits and Licensing Office (BPLO), for a business to legally operate in the locality.

Locational Clearance – is a clearance issued by the Zoning Administrator/Zoning Officer to a project that is imposed under the provisions of an existing Zoning Ordinance of the municipality. It is a requirement for the issuance of Building Permit.

Section 3. AUTHORITY TO COLLECT BARANGAY CLEARANCE FEE. The Municipal Treasurer of the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte is hereby authorized to collect Barangay Clearance Fees, subject to the remittance of the fees collected to the respective barangay.

Section 4. RATE OF BARANGAY CLEARANCE FEE TO BE COLLECTED. The rate of the Barangay Clearance Fee to be collected by the Municipal Treasurer for the issuance of the clearance shall be computed in accordance with the subject Barangay Revenue Ordinance of a specific barangay.

Section 5. BARANGAY CLEARANCE SIGNATORY. Electronic signature of the Punong Barangay concerned shall appear in all barangay clearance issued.

Section 6. REPORTING AND REMITTANCE. The Municipal Treasurer shall remit the Barangay Clearance Fee collected to the subject barangay not later than seven (7) working days of the ensuing month, together with the list of the issued Building and Business Permit.

Section 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If for any reason, a part of this Ordinance is declared illegal or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby, shall remain valid and in full force and effect.

Section 8. REPEALING CLAUSE. All Ordinances and rules/regulations which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby deemed, modified and/or repealed accordingly.

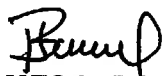
Section 9. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of local circulation.

ENACTED: This 18th day of June 2024.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.


ARSENIO F. VILLOTE
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

ATTESTED:


HON. JAMES L. BOHOL
Municipal Vice Mayor, Prsdg. Officer


HON. JEANNETTE A. VALIDA
SB Member, Prsdg. Pro-tempore


HON. ANTONIO C. ALMENDRA, JR.
SB Member


HON. ARNOLD R. ALLERA
SB Member

HON. PATROCINIO A. RISOS, JR.
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HON. EDITHA C. DELOY
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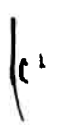
HON. DARIO P. LLEVE
SB Member, ABC President – O.B.

HON. MELLIZA JANE C. TRAYA
SB Member, SK Fed. Pres. – O.B.

APPROVED:



HON. LEMUEL GIN K. TRAYA
Municipal Mayor





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Province of Leyte



Office of the Sangguniang Bayan

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that Ordinance No. 12, s. 2024 of the 19th Honorable Sangguniang Bayan of Abuyog, Leyte re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL TREASURER TO COLELCT BARANGAY CLEARANCE FEES IN THE APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS PERMITS AND/OR LOCATIONAL CLEARANCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ABUYOG, LEYTE has been posted on June 19, 2024 in three (3) conspicuous and publicly accessible places of the municipality and remained posted until July 11, 2024 in compliance to Section 511, par (a), R.A. 7160, the Local Government Code of 1991.


ARSENIO T. VILLOTE
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

ATTESTED:


HON. JAMES L. BOHOL
Municipal Vice Mayor



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Province of Leyte



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CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that Public Hearing was jointly conducted by the Committee on Women, Family, Senior Citizens and Social Welfare and Development and the Committee on Budget, Appropriation and Finance on June 05, 2024 at Judge Bar Restaurant and Catering Services, Brgy. Victory, Abuyog, Leyte, 9:00 o'clock in the morning in compliance to the applicable provisions of R.A. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.


ARSENIO T. VILLOTE
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

ATTESTED:


HON. JAMES L. BOHOL
Municipal Vice Mayor

Enclosure:

1. Attendance Sheet
2. Minutes of Public Hearing



Republic of the Philippines
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 Province of Leyte



Office of the Sangguniang Bayan

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE DRAFT ORDINANCE "AN ORDINANCE UPDATING THE GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT CODE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ABUYOG BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON WOMEN, FAMILY, SENIOR CITIZENS AND SOCIAL WELFARE DEVELOPMENT AND THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET, APPROPRIATION & FINANCE THE DRAFT ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL TREASURER TO COLLECT BARANGAY CLEARANCE FEES IN THE APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS PERMITS AND/OR LOCATIONAL CLEARANCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ABUYOG, LEYTE HELD AT JUDGEBAR CATERING SERVICES, BRGY. VICTORY, ABUYOG, LEYTE ON JUNE 5, 2024.

PRESENT:

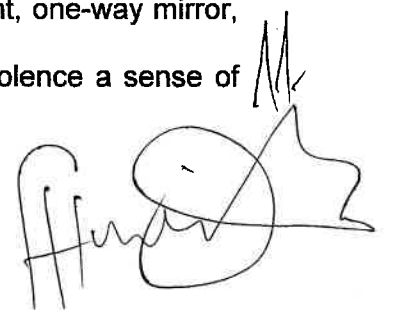
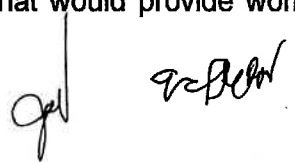
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| HON. ARNOLD R. ALLERA | - | SB Member, Chairman Committee on Women, Family, Senior Citizens, and Social Welfare and Development |
| HON. JEANNETTE A. VALIDA | - | SB Member, Chairman Committee on Budget, Appropriation & Finance |
| HON. ANTONIO C. ALMENDRA, JR | - | SB Member, Member Committee on Budget, Appropriation & Finance |
| HON. EDITHA C. DELOY | - | SB Member, Member Committee on Women, Family, Senior Citizens and Social Welfare and Development |

01. **HON ALLERA:** Magtikang kita san aton public hearing, regarding san aton proposed
 02. ordinance updating the gender and development code of the municipality of Abuyog which was
 03. referred to the committee on women, family, senior citizens and social welfare development and
 04. this is authored by our SK Federation President Honorable Melliza C. Traya. There is a need to
 05. update the 2006 gender and development of the municipality of Abuyog. In Article II, Sec. 14 of
 06. the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the state recognizes the role of women in nation-
 07. building, and shall ensure the fundamental equality before the law of women and men. The
 08. enactment of the updated gender and development code is in consonance with the existing
 09. national laws and policies and commitments in international treaties and agreements that
 10. encourage the local government units for be in the forefront in addressing the issues on gender

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11. and development identified in national laws and it is Section 4 of our ordinance. Basahan ko an
12. aton draft ordinance Chapter I – General Provisions, Article I Title State of Principles and
13. Definition of Terms. Section 1. Title – This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the Updated
14. Gender and Development Code of the Municipality of Abuyog, herein referred to as the GAD
15. Code. Section 2 – Statement of Principles. It is the general principle and policy of the local
16. government of Abuyog, Leyte to women’s empowerment, gender equality, women’s human rights
17. and gender-responsive development, as indispensable social intervention in the task of building
18. a progressive yet peaceful and harmonious community. Section 3 – Definition of Terms. The
19. following terms and phrases used in this GAD Code is being defined to make it easy. Section 4 –
20. GAD Legal Bases and Mandate. The enactment of the updated GAD Code is in consonance with
21. the existing national laws and policies and commitments in international treaties and agreements
22. that encourage the local government units for be in the forefront in addressing the issues on
23. gender and development, as hereinafter identified in this ordinance. Next Chapter II Programs
24. and Development Concerns. Section 5 – Gender and Development Programs, Trainings, Events
25. and Celebration. The Human Resource Office and LGU GFPS shall facilitate, conduct events and
26. celebration promoting women’s empowerment, gender equality. It shall also develop a staff
27. development programs and trainings to advance a gender-responsive governance, embed
28. feminism and feminist principles, human and women’s rights to eliminate gender-bias in the
29. workplace and develop, transform a gender sensitive attitude, bahvior and culture. All offices and
30. institutions in the municipality of Abuyog shall join and celebrate GAD related programs, events
31. and celebration supporting elimination of all forms of discrimination, and gender-based violence,
32. promoting economic empowerment, gender equality and justice such as but not limited to the
33. following: International Women’s Day which is celebrated March 8; International Rural Women’s
34. Day its on October 5; International Day of the Girl Child on October 11; the International Men’s
35. Day which is every November 19. The 18 Days Campaign to End Violence Against Women every
36. November 25 to December 10 and the PRIDE Month Celebration which is every month of June.
37. Next is Section 6 – Access to Protective Services. The Municipal Social Welfare and Development
38. Office as lead agency in social shall ensure that all vulnerable sectors in the municipality has
39. access to protective services. Section 7 – Secured and Conducive Environment for Investigation.
40. The municipality shall establish an interview room with audio-visual equipment, one-way mirror,
41. and other provisions that would provide women and children survivors of violence a sense of



42. security and comfort during the conduct of interview, investigation and counseling at the Municipal
43. Social Welfare and Development Office, Municipal Health Office, Barangay Women and
44. Children's Protection Desk, and PNP Women and Children's Protection Desk. Next Section 8 -
45. Victim - Survivors Support Group in Court Hearings. The Municipal Social Welfare Officer shall
46. coordinate the presence of support group/s in all investigations or hearings involving rape and
47. other forms of violence against women and children conducted in police stations, prosecutor's
48. offices, trial courts and other government offices. Section 9 - Education Laws and Policies
49. Addressing Women's Issues And Concerns. In coordination with concerned national agencies, all
50. government and private offices, agencies, NGO's and establishments, private and public schools
51. shall conduct an orientation on Republic Act No. 9262, RA 9208, RA 7877, RA 8353, RA 8972,
52. RA 7610 and other relevant laws and policies on women which may be enacted from time to time.
53. Section 10 - Crisis Intervention Center. There shall have a Crisis Intervention Center in the
54. Municipality with complete facilities to serve as a temporary shelter with appropriate support
55. services for women and children in crisis. The Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office
56. shall manage the Crisis Intervention Center. Satellite crisis intervention centers must be
57. strategically established in other parts of the Municipality as needed. Section 11 - Rehabilitation
58. Program for Perpetrators of Violence. Counseling and Rehabilitation Programs for perpetrators
59. of violence against women and children shall form part of the total GAD program. Section 12.
60. Research on Nature and Causes of Gender-Based Violence. The MSWDO shall take the lead in
61. the collection, compilation and maintenance of statistics/ data concerning domestic violence
62. perpetuated against women and children. It shall be regularly undertaken to serve as reference
63. for administration, legislation and funding. Section 13 - Prostitution and Trafficking as Violation of
64. Women's Right. Prostitution and trafficking is exploitation of human and a violation of their rights
65. as human beings. To prevent the proliferation of prostitution and trafficking, advocacy and
66. capacity building activities shall be conducted and alternative sources of livelihood shall be
67. provided to women victim-survivors. Next, Chapter III Structure and Trafficking as Violation of
68. Women's Right. Article I – Creation and Strengthening of the LGU Gender and Development
69. (GAD) Focal Point system. Section 14 – Creation of the municipal gender and development focal
70. point system. There shall be a created MGFPS or GAD Focal Point System in the municipality.
71. And Section 15 – General and Specific Functions of the the GAD Focal Point System it is in our
72. ordinance the general and specific functions pursuant to MCW-IRR and JMC 2013-01 of the

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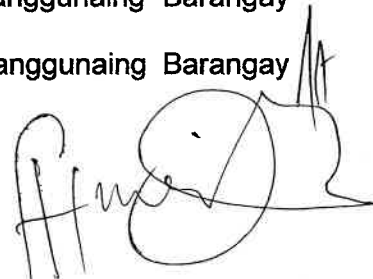
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73. GFPS. Section 16. Structure of the Gad Focal Point System. The structure of the GAD Focal
74. System shall compose of Executive Committee, Technical Working Group Committee, GAD
75. Secretariat, and Monitoring and Evaluation Team.

76. **PUNONG BARANGAY:** Mayda la ako pakutana sin-o man it aton dapuon kun mayda kita
77. mga pakutana siton nga gender and development.

78. **HON. ALLERA:** Ada sa Section 17 of our ordinance an GAD Focal Point System
79. Exeuctive Committee nga an aton local chief executive amo an chairperson, the vice mayor is the
80. vice chairperson and co-vice chairperson is the SB committee on women, children and social
81. services and the members is all department heads and/or offices of the municipality, LIGA nga
82. mga barangay President, SK Federation President, Department of Education Schools Division
83. Superintendent, State University/Academe Institution, PNP Municipal Women's Desk, Municipal
84. Chairperson of the Women Council/Association/Federation, Municipal Representative/President
85. of Persons with Disabilities, Head/Representative of NGOs/CSOs/Private Sector with thematic
86. implementation of GAD Programs and Services in the municipality (youth, LGBTQIA+,
87. marginalized sector), Bureau of Fire Protection , Other Association/Sectoral representative as
88. applicable and deemed necessary. Section 18 – The Technical Working Committee of the GAD
89. focal point system shall be composed the chairperson is the GAD focal person and the members
90. all municipal department offices alternate representative including the Abuyog Community
91. College duly appointed by the Mayor, representative of NGOs/CSOs/Private sector with thematic
92. implementation of GAD programs and services in the municipality like youth, LGBTQIA+, &
93. marginalized sector, and other government agencies, association/sectoral representative,private
94. sector,academe as applicable and deemed necessary. Section 19 The GAD Monitoring and
95. Evaluation Team where existence such as the loclaproject monitoring committee shall expand its
96. functions and its membership to include the members of the suggested GAD monitoring and
97. evaluation team. It shall be composed of the chairperson is the municipal planning and
98. development coordinator and the members GFPS TWG Chair, HRMO, Budget Officer, MSWDO,
99. MAO, MLGOO/Representative, CSO/Pos/NGOs, representative, women's council,
100. representative from academe institutions. Section 20 – Creation of Barangay GAD Focal Point
101. System. The Barangay GAD Focal Point System the respective barangays of the municipality
102. shall be chaired by the Punong Barangay, co-Chairperson of the Sanggunaing Barangay
103. Committee on Women, Children and Family and the members the Sanggunaing Barangay

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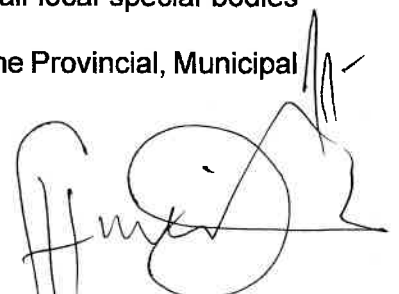
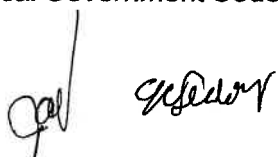


104. Committee on Appropriation, SK Chairperson, Barangay Health Worker, Barangay treasurer,
105. Violence Against Women and Children (VAWC) Desk Officer, Barangay Nutrition Scholar, Tanod
106. Executive Officer, Day Care Worker, Lupong Tagapamayapa member, Women's organizations
107. existing at the barangay level, Barangay Human Rights Action Officer where existent, Members
108. of the private sector, academe and other existing organization in the barangay. Section 21 – The
109. responsibilities of the GAD focal point system executive committee, TWG, secretariat and
110. monitoring and evaluation team. It is been stated here in our ordinance. Let us come to Article II
111. Establishment of Gender and Development Database System. Section 22 – LGU GAD Database.
112. The municipality shall establish a GAD Database aligned with the databank requirements of the
113. Magna Carta of women. The municipal planning and development office shall be responsible in
114. the data collection, analysis, updating and management and as repository of the gender and
115. development data and information and coordinates with GFPS secretariat. The GFPS technical
116. working group committee and MLGOO shall assist the MPDO in the generation and processing
117. of sex-disaggregated data and and GAD-related information. Other data producing LGU
118. departments and national government agencies operating at the local level shall be tapped by the
119. MPDO to provide sex-disaggregated information to complement the GAD Database. The GFPS
120. secretariat shall ensure the accurate and timely uploading of reports and ensuring up to date
121. information. The LGU may utilize its existing, planning and data-gathering tools and management
122. information system to generate gender statistics, age, and sex-disaggregated data and other
123. GAD-related information from primary and secondary sources of data such as surveys, studies,
124. focus group discussion results, progress, monitoring and evaluation results. Next let us come to
125. Chapter V of the draft ordinance the Reproductive Health Approach. Section 23 - Reproductive
126. Health Care Approach. The Municipal Government shall ensure reproductive health care services
127. to men and women 1.) Maternal infant and child health and nutrition; 2.) Family planning
128. information and services; 3.) Prevention of abortion and management of its complications; 4.)
129. Adolescent and youth health; 5.) Prevention and management of Reproductive Tract Infections
130. (RTIs), HIV/AIDS and other Sexually Transmittable Infections (STIs); 6.) Elimination of violence
131. against women; 7.) Education and counseling on sexuality and sexual health; 8.) Treatment of
132. breast and reproductive tract cancers and other gynecological conditions; 9.) Male involvement
133. in reproductive health; and 10.) Proven treatment of infertility and sexual dysfunction. Section 24
134. – Health care Delivery. Quality health care and services that are not discriminatory on account of

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135. their gender, age, sex, creed, religion, ethnicity and political affiliation shall be implemented by
136. Municipal Government. Section 25 - Nutrition. The Municipal Government through the Municipal
137. Nutrition Action Officer (MNAO) shall ensure optimum nutritional status of children, women and
138. men through the provision of a package of nutrition services. Section 26 - Men's Involvement on
139. Reproductive Health. Reproductive Health programs and projects shall involve men of all ages,
140. recognizing their crucial role in the maintenance of women's health and well-being by
141. strengthening and capacitating various men organizations. Section 27 - Accessible Information
142. on Sexuality and Reproductive Health. Women and men, especially adolescents and young
143. adults, shall have free access to information on responsible sexuality and reproductive health,
144. while ensuring their right to privacy. Section 28 - Gender-Fair Approach to Pre-Marriage
145. Counseling Program. The Municipal Government shall continuously support the Pre-Marriage
146. Counseling Program of the Municipal PMC Team to promote the equal relations between men
147. and women and shared responsibility of husband and wife for the family, community and the
148. environment. Section 29 - Gender-Sensitive and Responsive Health Services. The Municipal
149. Health Office and Barangay Health Centers/stations shall provide gender-sensitive and gender-
150. responsive services in the delivery of reproductive health care including the establishment of
151. Crisis Intervention Service units. Section 30 - Available and Accessible Reproductive Health
152. Commodities. The Municipal Government shall ensure safe, high quality, accessible and
153. affordable reproductive health services and commodities, it shall ensure that budgetary support
154. and allocation are provided for such RH services and commodities. And the next let us go to
155. chapter VI of the draft ordinance women in governance. Section 31 - Gender-Mainstreaming at
156. all Levels of Governance. The Municipal Government shall endeavor to establish mechanisms to
157. ensure that gender issues and concerns are addressed in legislations, public policies, programs
158. and projects. Section 32 - Barangay-Based Women Organizations. All Barangays shall promote
159. and support women organizations formed by their respective constituents. Section 33 - Local
160. Council of Women. The Federation of Women Organizations composed of various accredited
161. women organizations shall be strengthened to take an active role in governance. The Municipal
162. Social Welfare and Development Office (MSWDO) acts as secretariat/direct supervision to the
163. organization/federation. Section 34 - Representation of Women in Local Special Bodies. The
164. Municipal Government shall ensure that women are duly represented in all local special bodies
165. as provided for in the Local Government Code and other pertinent laws at the Provincial, Municipal



166. and Barangay level. Section 35 - Criteria for Hiring in Government Positions. The Municipal
167. Government shall ensure that criteria for hiring, recruitment, selection and appointment to
168. government positions are transparent, relevant and not discriminatory against sex and sexual
169. orientations. Section 36 - Support for Women's Studies. A reasonable amount and other forms
170. of support maybe extended by the Municipal Government to non-government organizations and
171. research institutions conducting studies on women's participation, education, development and
172. scholarship. Section 37. - Leadership Training for Women. The Municipal Government, in
173. cooperation with concerned national agencies, and NGOs shall provide leadership training that
174. will enable women to participate in decision-making processes. Priority shall be given to
175. indigenous and differently-abled women. Next in Chapter VII the Promotion of Justice, Peace and
176. Order. Section 38 - Continuous Review of the Gender-Responsiveness of Laws and Policies. The
177. Municipal Government shall encourage the continuous review of local laws and policies with the
178. end in view of detecting and eliminating all forms of discrimination on the basis of sex and
179. provisions that are gender-based. Section 39 - Promotion of Legal Rights Literacy. Information on
180. GAD – related women laws and relevant national and local laws and its impact on women and
181. men, offices responsible for the administration of justice, and guidelines on how to use the justice
182. system shall be made accessible to all. Section 40 - Gad Orientations and Trainings for Law
183. Enforcers, Officials and Employees of the Local and Barangay Government Units. The Municipal
184. Government shall strengthen its linkages with the law enforcers, officials and employees of local
185. and Barangay government units of the municipality to ensure that gender equality and
186. development orientations and trainings are regularly conducted. Section 41 - Humane and Just
187. Treatment of Female and Minor Offenders. To promote humane and just treatment of females
188. apprehended for light offenses and minor offenders, they shall not be handcuffed unless the rules
189. of engagement of the PNP provides otherwise. Section 42 - Separate Facility for Female and
190. Minor Detainees. The rights of women and minors while under detention shall be protected. The
191. Municipal Government, in collaboration with the concerned agencies, shall provide appropriate
192. programs designed to respond to their specific needs and problems. It shall also ensure that a
193. separate structure and space for detention and rehabilitation shall be provided for them. Section
194. 43 - Women and Children's Desks (WCDS). There shall be a Women and Children's Desk in the
195. Municipal Police Station, as well as in all barangays, handled by Women Police Officers and
196. Barangay VAWC Officers, adequately trained for the purpose, so that cases involving women and

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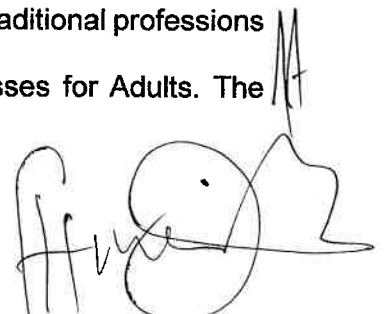
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197. children shall be handled in accordance with the accepted standards of existing laws and
198. regulations in handling gender-based violence cases. Next let us go to Chapter VIII labor and
199. employment. Section 44 - Mechanism to Monitor Compliance with Labor Laws. The Municipal
200. Government, in coordination with the Department of Labor and Employment, the Civil Service
201. Commission and other concerned agencies, shall establish mechanisms to monitor all offices,
202. and establishments operating within the municipality to ensure their strict compliance with the
203. Labor Code and other provisions of existing laws especially those pertaining to children, women
204. and labor. Child Labor Regulations. Ensure that child labor regulations are not violated, including
205. the minimum ages at which children may work, and the number of hours children can work and
206. other work conditions. Section 45 - Non-Discrimination in Employment. All establishments and
207. employers shall implement non-discriminatory policies especially in hiring and promotion of
208. employees. Work Discrimination. No employer shall discriminate against any solo parent
209. employee with respect to terms and conditions of employment on account of her or his status.
210. Section 46 - Facilities and Support System for Well-Being of Women and Men Employees.
211. Employers shall ensure the health, safety, and well-being of their women and men employees. In
212. appropriate cases; employers shall: Establish separate toilet rooms, lavatories and lounge for
213. women and men and provide at least a dressing room for women; Set up a homecare center in
214. the workplace where working parents or transacting public may have breastfeeding, child-rearing
215. and early childhood care and development activities while on their respective jobs; Institute
216. flexible working arrangement to accommodate the various responsibilities of women and men to
217. their families; and Ensure that working conditions shall be gender sensitive to assure peace and
218. productivity. Section 47 - Grievance Machinery on Sexual Harassment. *A Committee on Decorum*
219. *and Investigation* shall be established and strengthened at the Municipal Government which shall
220. serve as the grievance machinery to act on all complaints on sexual harassment in the workplace.
221. Section 48 - Survey of Domestic Workers. The Municipal Government through the Municipal
222. PESO, in coordination with DOLE, shall come up with an annual survey of domestic workers
223. within the municipalities to monitor cases of maltreatment, sexual harassment, and other forms
224. of sexual abuse. Households shall be required to provide information regarding their house
225. workers for identification and other purposes. The LGU shall provide assistance and other forms
226. of support to household workers. Section 49 - Support for Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWS).
227. The Municipal Government through the MSWDO and the PESO shall strengthen the organization

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228. of the municipal OFW and their families as a support group as well as establish a migrants' desk.
229. Tracking System of Legitimacy of recruitment agency/employment. The PESO and MSWDO shall
230. endeavor to develop a tracking and verification system of the veracity and legitimacy of
231. employment and recruitment agencies, whether they are accredited by the Department of Labor
232. and Employment (DOLE) through the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA).
233. Pre-Employment Orientation Seminar (PEOS). The PESO and MSWDO shall conduct PEOS to
234. prospective workers, especially overseas workers and their families about the realities of
235. overseas labor and employment conditions. Services of the POEA and migrant NGOs may be
236. tapped for this purpose. Implementation of RA 8042 specifically the illegal recruitment provisions.
237. Strict implementation of RA 8042 otherwise known as migrant workers and Overseas Filipino Act
238. of 1995 particularly, the provisions on Illegal Recruitment must be ensured. Next is Chapter IX
239. Environment and Natural Resources. Section 50 - Community- Based Environment Plans and
240. Programs. The Municipal Government shall ensure the participation of women in environment
241. and natural resources management at all levels. Promotion of environmentally sound production
242. technologies. Promote the use of environmentally sound production technologies and practices
243. in households and enterprises. Promotion of land agri-based projects. The municipal government
244. and other partner agencies and institutions shall support and engage in promoting land-based
245. projects to ensure food security for rural women utilizing scientific, women-friendly, accessible
246. and appropriate technology. Involve women in the rehabilitation in the agricultural sector by
247. providing them with trainings and agricultural inputs, including seeds and implements. Women's
248. participation in all water-system related projects. In all water system-related projects participation
249. of women in the planning and in all levels of decision-making. Public education campaign. The
250. municipal government shall undertake public education campaigns on issues related to sanitation,
251. health, and environmental management and sustainable used and climate changed with gender
252. dimension. Women's participation on Solid Waste Management. Ensure the participation of
253. women in the formulation of the solid waste management plan and in decision-making on matters
254. related to solid waste management including the segregation, recycling, etc. Next is Chapter X -
255. Education, Media, Arts and Culture. Section 51 - Gender-Sensitive Counseling and Career
256. Programs. Private and public schools shall promote gender-sensitive counseling and career
257. education programs to encourage male and female students to pursue non-traditional professions
258. and widen their career opportunities. Section 52 - Evening/Weekend Classes for Adults. The



259. Municipal Government and the Alternative Learning System of the Department of Education (ALS
260. DepEd) shall endeavor to promote and strengthen adult education programs. For this purpose, it
261. shall coordinate or establish the conduct of free evening or weekend classes for indigent persons
262. interested to obtain secondary education especially women. Lecture/Discussion on illegal drugs.
263. Inclusion of discussion / lecture on drug abuse in alternative education programs for out-of-school
264. children. Section 53 - Gender- Sensitive Education. The Schools District Office of the Department
265. of Education shall ensure the inclusion of a Gender Sensitive curriculum into the educational
266. system of the municipality. It should also address gender inequalities in admission, gender
267. sensitivity in school books and instructional materials. School-based health and nutrition program.
268. All primary schools in the municipality shall be encouraged to formulate and implement school-
269. based health and nutrition program, in coordination with the Municipal Nutrition Action Council
270. and Municipal Health Office. Promoting indigenous processed and non-processed farm products
271. produce by women's group in all school canteens of the municipality. Section 54 - Preservation
272. of Cultural Identity. Preservation and enrichment of the cultural identity of indigenous persons
273. shall always be incorporated in all GAD programs and projects of the Municipal Government as
274. long as it is consistent with GAD Principles. Next Chapter XI - Trade, Industry and Tourism.
275. Section 55. Women's Economic Empowerment and Employment. The Municipal Government
276. shall promote and support women's endeavors for self-employment in micro-entreprises, small-
277. scale businesses, indigenous industries and other employment opportunities including facilitating
278. access to capital funds from any source. Section 56 - Promotion for Eco-Tourism and Family-
279. Oriented Activities. The Municipal Government shall strengthen its tourism thrust towards
280. promoting equality of women and men and providing full opportunities for the development and
281. participation of women and men in eco-tourism and family-oriented activities without exploiting
282. the rights of women, men and children. Next is Chapter XII - Other Special Sectoral Concerns.
283. Section 57. Advocacy on the Rights of Differently-Abled Women and Men. Programs and
284. projects shall be developed to promote the interest of differently-able women and men and, at the
285. same time, protect their rights to all opportunities for advancement. Magna Carta for persons with
286. disabilities as amended (RA 9442). The municipal government shall ensure the implementation
287. of the Magna Carta for persons with disability as indicated in Sections 32-33, Chapter 8, of RA
288. 9442, granting privileges and incentives for persons with disability, as follows:

289. a. Twenty percent (20%) discount from all establishments;

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290. b. Minimum of twenty percent (20%) on admission fees;
291. c. at least twenty percent (20%) discount for the purchase of
292. medicines;
293. d. at least twenty percent (20%) discount on medical and dental and
294. professional fees;
295. e. at least twenty percent (20%) discount on fare for domestic air, sea
296. travel, public railways, skyways and bus fare for the exclusive
297. enjoyment of persons with disability;
298. f. education assistance to persons with disability;
299. g. to the extent practicable and feasible, the continuance of the same
300. benefits and privileges given by the Government Service Insurance
301. System (GSIS), Social Security System (SSS), and PAG-IBIG, as
302. the case may be, as are enjoyed by those in actual service;
303. h. to the extent possible, the government may grant special discounts
304. in special programs for persons with disability on purchase of basic
305. commodities, subject to guidelines to be issued for the purpose by
306. the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) and the Department of
307. Agriculture (DA); and
308. i. provision of express lanes in all commercial and government
309. establishments; in the absence thereof, priority shall be given to
310. them

311. The above-mentioned privileges are available only to persons with disability who are Filipino

312. citizens, upon submission of any of the following as proof of his or her entitlement thereto:

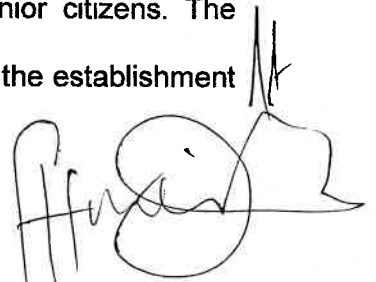
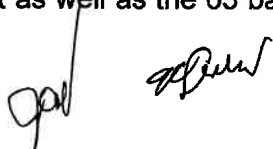
313. a. identification card issued by the municipal mayor or the punong
314. barangay of the place where he or she resides;
315. b. certification issued by the Municipal Mayor or the Punong Barangay
316. of the place where he or she resides.

317. Section 58 - Organization of Elderly Women and Men (Senior Citizens). The Municipal and

318. Barangay government units shall endeavor to include a representation of the elderly women and

319. men in the Municipal and Barangay Development Council. Council on senior citizens. The

320. municipal government as well as the 63 barangay governments shall support the establishment



321. of Councils for Senior Citizens. Support funds for senior citizens. The municipal and barangay
322. governments shall endeavor to allocate funds for livelihood assistance to senior citizen; routine
323. physical check-up; social group work programs and other appropriate socio-economic activities.
324. Center for Senior Citizens. The municipal government shall endeavor to establish a center for
325. abandoned and neglected senior citizens to provide them with comprehensive support services,
326. in cooperation with the Provincial, Regional and National Social Welfare and Development
327. Offices, and other concerned agencies. Additional Benefits and Privileges to Senior Citizens
328. pursuant to RA 9257. The municipal government shall ensure the implementation of RA 9257
329. otherwise known as the Act Granting Additional Benefits and Privileges to Senior Citizens,
330. specifically Section 4, as follows:

331. a. Twenty percent (20%) discount from all establishments
332. b. Minimum of twenty percent (20%) discount on admission fees in
333. places of culture, leisure and amusement

334. SECTION 59 - SOLO PARENT. *Support to Solo Parent.* The municipality shall ensure support to
335. a solo parent, regardless of status, equal access to economic and other services which include
336. livelihood, provision of seed capital, job placement, value orientation, basic business skills,
337. trainings, educational benefits for them and their children and medical assistance. Appropriation
338. for Solo Parent Programs, Projects and Activities. To address the needs of Solo Parents, the
339. municipal government shall set aside an annual budget for programs, projects and activities that
340. would promote the interest of solo parents. Privileges of Solo Parent. The municipal government
341. shall ensure that solo parents are not deprived from enjoying their privileges, such as follows:

342. a. *Comprehensive Package of Social Development and Welfare*
343. *Services such as livelihood development services, counseling*
344. *services, parent effectiveness services, critical incidence stress*
345. *debriefing, and special projects for individuals in need of protection;*
346. b. *Flexible Work Schedule;*
347. c. *Work Discrimination – no employer shall discriminate against any*
348. *solo parents employee with respect to terms and conditions of*
349. *employment on account of his or her status;*

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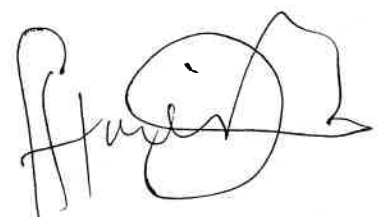
350. d. *Parental Leave - in addition to leave privileges under existing laws,*
351. *parental leave of not more than Seven (7) working days every year*
352. *shall be granted to any solo parent employee who has rendered*
353. *service of at least One (1) year.*

354. Section 60 - Gender in Disaster Risk Management. In consideration of the geographical
355. characteristic of Abuyog, Leyte which makes it prone to various disaster risk and hazards, and in
356. agreement with the idea that women and children tend to suffer most from the impact of disaster,
357. the following shall be undertaken by the Municipal Government through the Municipal Disaster
358. Risk Reduction and Management Council and the Sixty-Three (63) Barangay Disaster Risk
359. Reduction and Management Councils:

260. Pre-Disaster

261. a. Ensure that women participate in the public awareness and education
262. campaigns on disaster risk management and climate change adaptation
263. b. Ensure that women are involved in the Hazard, Vulnerability and Capacity
264. Assessment (HVCA) mapping and in the formulation of disaster
265. contingency plans
266. c. Ensure that women are represented in M/BDCC structure and are
267. distributed in the different service committees to insure their participation
268. in decision-making processes
269. d. Design an Emergency response plan for vulnerable group, including
270. women and children for search and rescue operations, evacuation
271. management plan and rehabilitation plan
272. e. Build the capacity of women in managing community-based early warning
273. system (CB-EWS)
274. f. Ensure that women have sustained livelihoods and income
275. g. Build the capacity of women in managing trauma and in providing
276. psychosocial intervention to disaster victim.
277. h. Train in providing first aid medical response to case resulting from disasters
278. i. Maintain updated data and statistic on vulnerable group (e.g. women,
279. children, older people, isabled people, and people living with HIV/AIDS)

280. During Disaster



281. a. Prioritize the vulnerable group in search and rescue operations.
282. b. Maintain sex-disaggregated data about the vulnerable groups.
283. c. Provide a separate evacuation center for women and their children.
284. d. Ensure that the minimum standard in disaster response as set forth in the
285. Humanitarian Charter, including people's need for water, sanitation,
286. nutrition, food, shelter and health care, are met.

287. Post disaster (recovery and rehabilitation):

288. a. Ensure women's participation in resilience building and recovery effort by:
289. a.1. Involving women in the conduct of Damage Assessment &
290. Needs Assessment (DANA) to ensure that women's and children's situation
291. and specific need are well taken into account.
292. a.2. Involving women as participants of Food-for-Work and Cash-
293. for-Work schemes in restoration work. This provides them with job and
294. income opportunities which could ensure household's food security and
295. good health condition.
296. b. Involved women in the rehabilitation of the agricultural sector by providing
297. them with training and agricultural inputs, including seeds and implements.
298. c. Ensure that psychosocial and stress debriefing interventions for women and
299. children disaster victims are carried out by women providers to better situate
300. the intervention as well as men.
301. d. Ensure that women and children have access to and control over water,
302. sanitation, nutrition, food, shelter and health care to ensure their full
303. recovery.

304. Funding. The Municipal Government of Abuyog as well as the Sixty-Three (63) Barangays shall

306. ensure that portion of the Five Percent (5%) Calamity Fund is allocated for meeting the special

307. needs of the vulnerable group, especially women and children in the emergency and relief phase

308. up to the recovery and rehabilitation stage. The barangay government shall also appropriate a

309. budget for disaster preparedness activities. Next is Chapter XIII Regulations and Penal

310. Provisions. Article I - Violation to Gender Rights to Proper Health Care. Section 61 - Socialized

311. Reproductive Health Services. No hospital in the municipality, public or private, shall deny any

312. person the right to avail himself/herself of appropriate health care at all times. Non-compliance by



313. any Health Facility shall be a ground for non-renewal of the business permit or administrative
314. charges to concern officials in case of government facilities. Section 62 - Gender Sensitivity
315. Training for Health Care Providers. All health care facilities shall provide gender sensitivity training
316. at least once a year to health ID workers and professionals employed by them. A certification by
317. the organization or person who conducted the training shall be presented to the Municipal Health
318. Office on the compliance of this provision. Non-compliance by any Health Facility shall be a
319. ground for non-renewal of the business permit. Likewise, violation of this provision by
320. government-owned health facilities shall be a ground for administrative charges against in the
321. concern officials. Article II - Violence Against Women and Children. Section 63 - Immediate Action
322. on Reports of Violence Against Women and Children. All concerned offices of the Municipal
323. Government, including the barangays, shall act within Twenty-Four (24) hours upon receipt of
324. complaints or reports of violence against women and children. As provided for in RA 9262 or The
325. Anti-violence Against Women and their Children, RA 9208 or the Anti- Trafficking in Persons Act,
326. RA 8353 or the Anti- rape Law, RA 7877 the Sexual Harassment Law, RA 8972 or The Solo
327. Parent's Welfare Act and RA 7610 or the Special Protection of Children against Abuse,
328. Exploitation and Discrimination Act, they shall provide the appropriate legal, medical,
329. psychosocial referral/assistance to the complainants within the said period. Failure to act within
330. the prescribed period constitutes neglect in the performance of duty and shall be penalized in
331. accordance with the provisions of identified laws, Civil Service Code and the Local Government
332. Code of 1991. Section 64 - Prohibited Fund-Raising Initiatives. All benefit dances and other fund-
333. raising activities wherein women and men are used as door prizes, or substitute for door prizes,
334. or companion package for an award, prize or recognition in order to raise funds shall be strictly
335. prohibited. Organizers and all other persons responsible for the conduct of said fund raising
336. activity shall pay a fine of Five Thousand (P5, 000.00) Pesos or suffer imprisonment Six (6)
337. months or both, at the discretion of the Court. Section 65 - Contests Which Degrade Women and
338. Men. It shall be unlawful to hold beauty contests and other similar contests which commodity,
339. abuse, humiliate and treat or degrade women and/or men. Organizers of beauty contests violating
340. this provision shall be subject to a penalty consisting of the following:

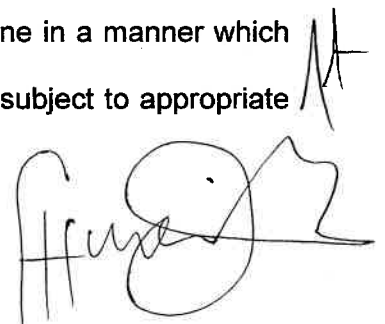
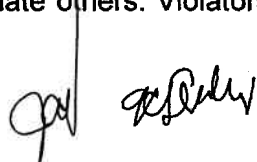
341. a. For business organizations:
342. 1. Cancellation of business permit
343. 2. Fine of Two Thousand Five Hundred (P2, 500.00) Pesos

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344. b. For representatives of agencies and Offices of the Municipal Government:
345. 1. Suspension for 1 month without pay
346. 2. Fine of Two Thousand Five Hundred (P2, 500.00) Pesos
347. c. For educational institutions, charity or welfare organizations:
348. 1. Fine of Two Thousand Five Hundred P2, 500.00) Pesos

349. Next Is Article III - Justice, Peace and Order Related Violations. Section 66 - Non-Disclosure of
350. Victims' and Offenders' Identities. The confidentiality of the real names, aliases, personal
351. circumstances, or any other information pending to establish the identities of offenders and victims
352. shall be preserved and shall not be disclosed to the public in any manner to protect their privacy
353. and integrity unless authorized by law or for a lawful purpose. Any person who violates this
354. provision shall be penalized with Fifteen (15) days imprisonment or payment of Two Thousand
355. Five Hundred (P2, 500.00) Pesos or both at the discretion of the court. The offenders may also
356. be persecuted for revelation of secrets under articles 229 and 230, as the case maybe, of the
357. revised penal code or under RA 9262, RA 9208, RA 8972, RA 7610 and other related laws.
358. Section 67 - Legal Aid Service. The Municipal Government, through the MSWDO and Abuyog
359. Police Station, shall ensure and facilitate the provision of legal aid service assistance through the
360. Public Attorney's Office (PAO) to all women and men especially those in distress and who have
361. no means of obtaining the services of private lawyers. Next Article IV - Violations to Labor and
362. Employment Law. Section 68 - Equal Access to Job Training and Promotion. No woman shall be
363. deprived of job training employment or promotion on account of her gender, sex orientation, age
364. ethnicity, religion and marital status. Employers who violate this provision shall be penalized with
365. a fine of Two Thousand Five Hundred (P2,500.00) Pesos or the cancellation of their business
366. permits or both at the discretion of the Court. Section 69. Wages and Benefits of Women.
367. Every employer shall abide by the provisions of the Labor Code, the Regional Wage Board and
368. the Civil Service; Law on wages and benefits due to employees without discrimination against
369. women. elation by private and government employers of the provisions of the said laws shall be
370. penalized as provided for in the Labor Code. Section 70 - Raids in Entertainment Establishments.
371. Police brutality shall not be allowed anywhere at any time in any kind of activity such as during
372. the conduct of raids in entertainment establishments and similar places. Raids shall not be
373. conducted without any representative from the MSWDO, and shall be done in a manner which
374. shall not degrade or humiliate others. Violators of this provision shall be subject to appropriate



375. administrative, civil or penal sanctions. Next Article V - Violations to Culture and Indigenous
376. People. Section 71 - Prohibition Against Degrading Programs or Publication. It shall be unlawful
377. for any person or entity to present reports, programs or advertisements in print, broadcast,
378. electronics, film or other forms of media, including stage shows or presentations, that degrade or
379. treat the indigenous women and men, minors and children as inferior beings or which in any
380. manner subject them to humiliation and ridicule. Publishers, reporters, station or program
381. managers, producers, directors, advertisers, actors or other persons responsible for the
382. production or presentation of such reports, programs or advertisements shall be penalized with a
383. fine of Two Thousand Five Hundred (P 2,500.00) Pesos or imprisonment of One (1) month or
384. both at the discretion of the Court. The Court may impose suspension or revocation of the
385. business permit or franchise to operate. Chapter XIV - Transitory and Implementation Provision.
386. Article I. Section 72. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The Executive Committee shall
387. formulate Implementing Rules and Regulations of this Code within ninety days after its effectivity.
388. Section 73 - Gad Budget. The Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte shall prioritize allocation of available
389. resources to implement the provisions of this Code. At least 5% of the total LGU Budget
390. appropriations under the Annual Budget shall correspond to the activities supporting GAD PPAs.
391. The GAD Budget shall be drawn from the LGUs Maintenance and Operating Expenses (MOOE),
392. Capital Outlay (CO), and Personal Services (PS). The GAD Budget shall not constitute additional
393. budget over LGUs total budget appropriations. The five percent (5%) GAD Budget shall endeavor
394. and judiciously used to influence the remaining 95% of the LGU development programs towards
395. gender-responsiveness.

396. 1. Pursuant to Section 37A.1c of the MCW-IRR, the GAD Budget may be
397. allocated using any combination of the following:
398. a. As a separate GAD Fund to support GAD-Focused PPAs;
399. b. As fund to support integrating gender perspectives in regular flagship
400. programs and projects; and
401. c. As counterpart fund to support gender-responsive ODA funded
402. projects.
403. 2. The LGU GFPS shall annually monitor and evaluate the utilization and outcome of
404. the GAD Budget in terms of its success in influencing the gender-responsive
405. implementation of PPAs funded by the remaining 95% of the LGU budget.

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406. Section 74 - Attribution of the Gad Budget. The LGU shall use the Harmonized Gender and
407. Development Guidelines (HGDG) as reference to ensure the attribution of the GAD Budget. As
408. provided for in the JMC 2013-01, the LGU shall refer to the guidelines in using the GAD Budget
409. appropriately and judiciously. Article II is the Final Clauses. Section 75 - Separability Clause. If
410. any portion or provisions of this Code is declared unconstitutional or invalid by virtue of national
411. law, the other sections or provisions hereof shall continue to be in full force and effect. Section 76
412. - Repealing Clause. Any provisions of other municipal ordinances which run in conflict with the
413. provisions of this code are hereby repealed or modified. Section 77 - Supplementary Clause. On
414. matters not provided for in this Code, existing applicable laws and their corresponding
415. implementing rules and regulations, executive orders and relevant issuances thereafter shall also
416. become part of this Code. Section 78 - Effectivity Clause. This Code shall take effect upon
417. compliance with the mandatory posting and publication requirements prescribed under the law.
418. That is all the draft ordinance updating the gender and development code of the municipality of
419. Abuyog. Anymore queries or suggestions? Let us hear also the author of this ordinance our SK
420. Federation President Honorable Melliza Jane C. Traya.

421. **HON. TRAYA:** Thank you, Honorable Allera and to all of you present here Good
422. Morning.... The gender and development code are a comprehensive piece of local legislation or
423. ordinance to support the local government units' efforts in promoting, protecting and fulfilling
424. women's human rights towards the attainment of women's empowerment and gender equality in
425. the locality. In Article XIII, Section 14 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution further provides that the
426. state shall protect working women by providing safe and health working conditions, taking into
427. account their maternal functions, and such facilities and opportunities that will enhance their
428. welfare and enable them to realize their full potential in the service of the nation. Ngan gin explain
429. naman ni Honorable Allera an sulod san aton ordinansa.

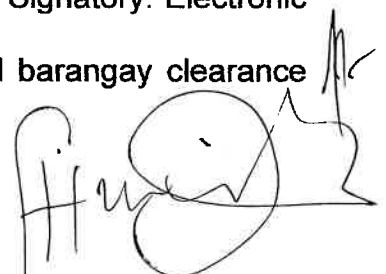
430. **HON. ALLERA:** Waray na mga pakutana makadto na liwat kita san sunod nga aton draft
431. ordinance nga amo an draft ordinance authorizing the Municipal Treasurer to collect barangay
432. clearance fees in the application for the issuance of business permits and/or locational clearance
433. of the municipality of Abuyog, Leyte ihatag ta kamo san chairman of the committee on budget,
434. appropriation & finance chaired by Honorable Jeannette A. Valida.

435. **HON. VALIDA:** Salamat Honorable Noli Allera ngan sa iyo ngatanan nga anhi
436. nagtambong maupay nga aga. Ini nga aton paghimo nga ordinansa amo an pag authorize san

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437. aton municipal treasurer pag kolekta san barangay clearance fees in the application for the
438. issuance of business permits and/or locational clearance of the municipality. There is a need to
439. streamline/simplify the process of business registration in the municipality of Abuyog, Leyte to
440. provide a more efficient and effective revenue collection and to promote a friendlier atmosphere
441. for taxpayers and investors. When regulations are simple and transparent, entrepreneurs need
442. not to suffer from red tape and time-consuming transactions. Republic Act No. 11032 otherwise
443. known as the "ease of Doing business and Efficient Delivery of Government Services Act" was
444. signed into law seeks to make the process of putting up and running a business in the Philippines
445. easier and more efficient. Pursuant to Section 11 (f) of the said Act, provides that barangay
446. clearances and permits related to doing business shall be applied, issued and collected at the
447. city/municipality in accordance with the prescribed processing time of theis Act. Provided, that the
448. share in the collections shall be remitted to the respective barangays. The Department of Interior
449. and Local Government (DILG) through Memorandum Circular Number 2019-177 issued on
450. October 17, 2019 provdiies guidelines and standard processes in compliance with the above cited
451. provision of Republic Act 11032. Barangays in the municipality of Abuyog, Leyte enacted
452. barangay ordinances and issued resolutions to authorize the municipal treasurer of the
453. municipality of Abuyog, Leyte top issue barangay clearance for business permits/locational
454. clearance and collect corresponding barangay clearance fee, subject to the remittance of the
455. aforesaid fees to the barangay concerned and the conditions hereunder. Ngadto kita san aton
456. draft ordinance Section 1. Coverage. This policy applies only to the issuance of Barangay
457. Clearance for Business permits and Locational Clearance as a requirement for the issuance of
458. Building Permit at the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte. Other clearances for other purposes shall
459. still be obtained at the barangay. Section 2. Definition Of Terms. The words and phrases used in
460. this Ordinance are hereby defined. Next Section 3. Authority To Collect Barangay Clearance Fee.
461. The Municipal Treasurer of the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte is hereby authorized to collect
462. Barangay Clearance Fees, subject to the remittance of the fees collected to the respective
463. barangay. Section 4. Rate of Barangay Clearance Fee to be Collected. The rate of the
464. Barangay Clearance Fee to be collected by the Municipal Treasurer for the issuance of
465. the clearance shall be computed in accordance with the subject Barangay Revenue
466. Ordinance of a specific barangay. Section 5. Barangay Clearance Signatory. Electronic
467. signature of the Punong Barangay concerned shall appear in all barangay clearance



468. issued. Section 6. Reporting and Remittance. The Municipal Treasurer shall remit the
469. Barangay Clearance Fee collected to the subject barangay not later than seven (7)
470. working days of the ensuing month, together with the list of the issued Building and
471. Business Permit. Section 7. Separability Clause. If for any reason, a part of this Ordinance
472. is declared illegal or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected
473. thereby, shall remain valid and in full force and effect. Section 8. Repealing Clause. All
474. Ordinances and rules/regulations which are inconsistent with the provisions of this
475. Ordinance are hereby deemed, modified and/or repealed accordingly. Section 9.
476. Effectivity Clause. This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in
477. a newspaper of local circulation.
478.

479. **PUNONG BARANGAY:** Karuyag sidngon iba-iba it bayad it baraydan sit barangay
480. clearance depende sit barangay. An pirma san kapitan dida sa barangay clearance in electronic
481. signature na.


482. **HON. VALIDA:** Oo


483. **HON. ALLERA:** Okey, kun waray na mga pakutana kami an membro san committee in
484. nagpapasalamat san iyo pagtambong sini nga public hearing bahin san aton draft ordinance nga
485. "An Ordinance to update the Gender and Development Code of the Municipality of Abuyog and
486. An Ordinance Authorizing the Municipal Treasurer to Collect Barangay Clearance Fees in the
487. Application for the Issuance of Business Permits and/or Locational Clearance of the Municipality
488. of Abuyog, Leyte", utrohon ko damo nga salamat.

Public Hearing Adjourn.

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
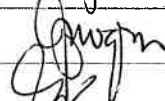

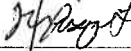

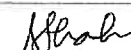


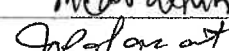
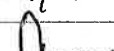





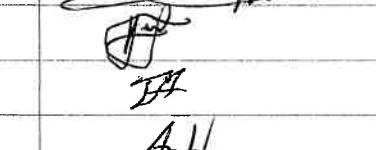
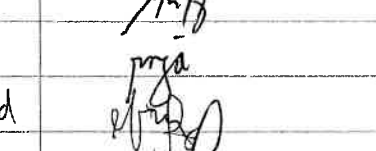
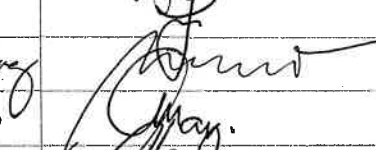

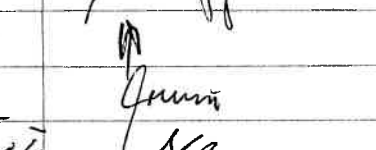
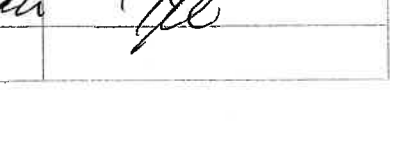


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