



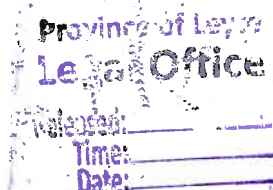
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PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICE

Item No.: 05

Date: 10 2025 JUN



SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN



2nd INDORSEMENT

May 6, 2025

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 25-08 series of 2025 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 25-08 series of 2025 entitled: “ **Burauen Health and Wellness Center Ordinance.**”

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office opines that the subject Ordinance is, in general, within the legislative authority of the Sangguniang Bayan under Sections 447(a)(1)¹ and (3)(i)(iii)² of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160). 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
Provincial Legal Officer

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, and shall:

(1) Approve ordinances and pass resolutions necessary for an efficient and effective municipal government

² (i) Fix and impose reasonable fees and charges for all services rendered by the municipal government to private persons or entities;

(iii) Prescribe the terms and conditions under which public utilities owned by the municipality shall be operated by the municipal government or leased to private persons or entities, preferably cooperatives;

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

1ST INDORSEMENT
02 May 2025

Province of Leyte
Legal Office
Received
Date: 5.5.25

The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 25-08, series of 2025**, of the **Municipality of Burauen, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance establishing the Burauen Health & Wellness Center, defining its purpose, mandate, rates, fees and charges, providing for operational guidelines thereof, and adopting a "No-Balance Billing Policy"**.


FLORINDA JILLS UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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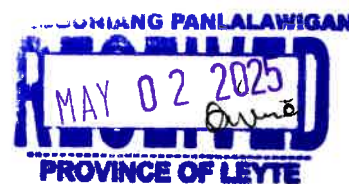


OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNANG BAYAN

May 2, 2025

THE HONORABLE MEMBERS
Sangguniang Panlalawigan
Province of Leyte

ATTENTION: FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian
Province of Leyte
Palo, Leyte



Ladies/Gentlemen:

We transmit herewith 15 copies of **Municipal Ordinance No. 25-08**, Series of 2025 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled "**An Ordinance Establishing the Burauen Health and Wellness Center, Defining its Purpose, Mandate, Rates, Fees and Charges, Providing for Operational Guidelines Thereof, and Adopting a "No-Balance Billing Policy"**", for review and approval of the body.

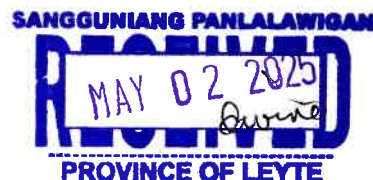
Thank you and please acknowledge receipt hereof.

Respectfully yours,


ATTY. RUDEJANE S. TAN
Secretary to the Sanggunian



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Leyte
Municipality of Burauen



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 25-08

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BURAUEN HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER, DEFINING ITS PURPOSE, MANDATE, RATES, FEES AND CHARGES, PROVIDING FOR OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES THEREOF, AND ADOPTING A "NO-BALANCE BILLING POLICY"

Authored by Hon. Fe S. Renomeron

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines mandates the State to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code of 1991 empowers local government units to provide for the health and well-being of their constituents through the establishment of health facilities and the delivery of basic health services;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Burauen recognizes the need to establish a comprehensive health and wellness center to address the growing demand for accessible, affordable, and quality healthcare services, as well as to promote holistic wellness among its residents;

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Burauen Health Wellness Center will not only provide essential medical services but also create a hub for health and wellness-related businesses, thereby fostering economic growth and community development;

WHEREAS, the adoption of a "No Balance Billing Policy" ensures that indigent and vulnerable sectors of society are not burdened with additional healthcare costs, in line with the policies of the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Burauen, in session duly assembled:

Section 1. TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known as the "**Burauen Health & Wellness Center Ordinance**".

Section 2. OFFICIAL LOGO.



To establish a strong identity and reinforce its commitment to holistic health, the Burauen Health & Wellness Center shall adopt an official logo designed with the following elements:

1. **Universal Wellness Symbol:** The logo shall incorporate a recognized wellness symbol to reflect the center's mission of promoting holistic health, well-being, and quality healthcare services.
2. **Color Scheme:** The colors shall align with the branding of the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Burauen, utilizing the official hues found in the LGU seal to maintain visual consistency and strengthen local identity.
3. **Tibod Symbol:** A representation of the "Tibod" (spring water) shall be included, symbolizing the Municipality of Burauen's rich natural water resources and the essential role of water in sustaining life and wellness.
4. **Cross Sign:** A medical cross shall be integrated into the design to signify healthcare, medical services, and aid, underscoring the center's dedication to providing essential health services and support to the community.
5. **Typography and Text Elements:** The word "**BURAUEN**" shall be prominently displayed in red with a multi-color font, symbolizing the vibrancy, resilience, and energy of the municipality. The phrase "**Health & Wellness Center**" shall be written in Arial font and colored blue, representing trust, reliability, and professionalism in the center's healthcare services.
6. **Usage and Implementation Guidelines:** The official logo shall be used across all official documents, signages, promotional materials, and digital platforms associated with the Burauen Health & Wellness Center. Any alterations, redesigns, or deviations from the approved logo shall require prior approval from the LGU through the Office of the Municipal Mayor and/or the Sangguniang Bayan.

Section 3. CREATION AND PURPOSE

The Burauen Health & Wellness Center (hereinafter referred to as the "Center") is hereby established and shall be fully owned and operated by the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Burauen. The Center is designed to offer a wide range of comprehensive health and wellness services, including, but not limited to, diagnostic and dialysis services. It will serve as a vibrant hub for health and wellness, providing rental spaces to a diverse array of service providers, including medical clinics, fitness centers, spas, massage therapy businesses, food establishments, and other health- and wellness-related enterprises.

Section 4. MANDATE

The Center shall have the following functions and objectives:

1. **Provide Accessible Healthcare:** To offer diagnostic services (laboratory, imaging, etc.), and dialysis treatments at affordable rates.
2. **Support Health and Wellness Providers:** To provide rental spaces for a variety of health and wellness service providers, including, but not limited to, medical professionals, wellness centers, fitness establishments, food hubs, and other related businesses, thereby improving access to healthcare and wellness services for the local population.
3. **Promote Health and Wellness:** To foster overall public health by providing a variety of healthcare services designed to address the community's wellness needs.
4. **Generate Local Revenue:** To operate in a self-sustaining manner, generating revenue for the LGU while maintaining affordable pricing for its services.

Section 5. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Center shall provide, but not be limited to, the following services:

1. **Diagnostic Services:** laboratory tests and imaging services

- 2. **Dialysis Services:** hemodialysis for eligible patients.
- 3. **Space Leasing:** leasing of spaces to a diverse range of health and wellness service providers, including, but not limited to, medical professionals, wellness centers, fitness establishments, food hubs, and other related businesses

Section 6. OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE CENTER

The Center shall be under the direct supervision and management of the Office of the Municipal Mayor of the LGU, in coordination with the Municipal Health Office. The LGU shall ensure that:

- 1. The Center is operated efficiently and sustainably.
- 2. The services are delivered in a manner that is responsive to the health needs of the community.
- 3. Proper staff and medical personnel are hired to run the various services.
- 4. A mechanism for the monitoring and evaluation of services, including customer satisfaction and operational effectiveness, is established.

Section 7. RATES, FEES, AND CHARGES

The rates, fees, and charges for the services provided at the Center shall be as follows:

A. Diagnostic Services

1. **Laboratory Tests:**

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|--------------------|
| a. Lipid Profile | : | ₱530.00 per test |
| b. Electrolytes | : | ₱570.00 per test |
| c. SGPT/ALT | : | ₱440.00 per test |
| d. SGOT/AST | : | ₱440.00 per test |
| e. Albumin | : | ₱445.00 per test |
| f. Blood Urea Nitrogen | : | ₱440.00 per test |
| g. Blood Uric Acid | : | ₱440.00 per test |
| h. Bilirubin Kit | : | ₱425.00 per test |
| i. CKMB | : | ₱590.00 per test |
| j. CK-NAC | : | ₱540.00 per test |
| k. Inorganic Phosphorus | : | ₱450.00 per test |
| l. Alkaline Phosphate | : | ₱430.00 per test |
| m. Total Protein | : | ₱440.00 per test |
| n. CKMB | : | ₱590.00 per test |
| o. CK-NAC | : | ₱540.00 per test |
| p. HBA1c Direct (with calibrator) | : | ₱915.00 per test |
| q. LDH | : | ₱500.00 per test |
| r. Amylase | : | ₱450.00 per test |
| s. Dengue Duo Rapid Test | : | ₱1,655.00 per test |
| t. Anti HBS | : | ₱420.00 per test |
| u. HBsAg det. | : | ₱420.00 per test |
| v. H. Pylori | : | ₱605.00 per test |
| w. T3 | : | ₱835.00 per test |
| x. T4 | : | ₱835.00 per test |
| y. HBSAg | : | ₱505.00 per test |
| z. TSH | : | ₱835.00 per test |
| aa. PSA | : | ₱835.00 per test |
| bb. VDRL (Syphilis) | : | ₱410.00 per test |
| cc. Pregnancy Test Serum | : | ₱490.00 per test |

2. **Imaging Services:**

| | | |
|---------------|---|---------------------|
| a. X-ray | : | ₱320.00 per session |
| b. Ultrasound | : | ₱635.00 per session |
| c. ECG | : | ₱265.00 per session |

B. Dialysis Services

1. **Hemodialysis:** ₱6,350.00 per session

The Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) may modify the hemodialysis package rate; in which event, the package rate prescribed by PhilHealth shall prevail.

C. Space Leasing

1. **Rental Fee:**

The amount of monthly rental fee or payment shall be ₱410.00 per square meter, exclusive of utilities.

2. **Terms of Payment:**

The lessee shall pay rent in advance for one (1) month, along with a security deposit equivalent to three (3) months' rent. Rent is due and payable on the first day of every month to the Municipal Treasurer or his or her duly authorized representative. Payments may be made in cash, check, or electronic transfer, subject to availability, to the LGU's designated account, as applicable.

3. **Additional Charges:**

For services that require additional equipment or resources (e.g., medical gases, waste disposal, etc.), corresponding charges may apply.

4. **Rental Allocation:**

The rental of space shall be on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to availability and compliance with all terms and conditions outlined in this agreement.

D. Other Services and Fees:

Additional health services, administrative fees, and charges not explicitly covered above will be determined by the Center's management, subject to approval by the Sangguniang Bayan.

Section 8. NO BALANCE BILLING POLICY

In accordance with the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation ("PhilHealth") Guidelines, and to promote accessible healthcare for all, the "*No Balance Billing (NBB) Policy*" shall be adopted by the Bureau Health & Wellness Center. The following provisions shall apply:

1. **Qualifications of NBB Patients:**

- (a) **Indigent** – a person who has no visible means of income, or whose income is insufficient for family subsistence, as defined by the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD).
- (b) **Sponsored** – a member whose contribution is being paid by another individual government agency, or private entity according to the PhilHealth.
- (c) **Domestic Worker or Kasambahay** – refers to any person engaged in domestic work within an employment relationship such as, but not limited to, the following: general house help, nursemaid or "yaya", cook, gardener, or laundry person, but shall exclude any person who performs domestic work only occasionally or sporadically and not on an occupational basis.

The term shall not include children who are under foster family arrangement, and are provided access to education and given an allowance incidental to education, i.e., "*baon*", transportation, school projects and school activities.

- (d) **Senior Citizen** – refers to any Filipino citizen who is a resident of the Philippines, and aged sixty (60) years and above. The term may apply to dual citizens aged 60 years or above provided there is proof of Filipino citizenship and have at least six (6) months of residency in the Philippines as provided in the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9994.

- (e) **Lifetime** – a member who has reached the age of retirement under the law and has paid at least one hundred twenty (120) monthly premium contributions.
- (f) **CKD5** - a member or his/her dependent who was diagnosed with chronic kidney disease stage 5 (CKD5), who is registered in the PhilHealth Dialysis Database (PDD).

2. No Balance Billing for Covered Services:

For hemodialysis services under the PhilHealth Benefit Package, as well as diagnostic services under the Primary Care Benefits/PhilHealth Konsulta package, the Center shall ensure that no other fees or expenses shall be charged to or be paid for by qualified NBB patients above and beyond the prevailing package rates.

3. Implementation:

The Bureau Health & Wellness Center Management shall establish a dedicated unit to assist patients in processing their PhilHealth claims and ensure that the No Balance Billing Policy is strictly followed.

The Center shall also collaborate with PhilHealth representatives to update the coverage, claims, and reimbursement process for its services.

Section 9. RECEIPTS FROM PHILHEALTH

All monetary receipts, remittances, reimbursements, or any other form of financial proceeds derived from the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) specifically intended for Health Care Institutions (HCIs) or Facilities, whether directly or indirectly, shall be classified as income and shall unconditionally accrue to the General Fund of the Local Government Unit. Such receipts shall be recorded, accounted for, and managed in accordance with the pertinent provisions of existing laws, rules, and regulations governing public fiscal administration.

Receipts pertaining to Professional Fees shall be classified and administered as Trust Funds, maintained separately from the General Fund. The management, disbursement, and utilization of these Trust Funds shall be strictly in accordance with existing laws, rules, and regulations, ensuring transparency, accountability, and proper documentation at all times.

Section 10. OVERSIGHT AND MONITORING COMMITTEE

The Municipal Mayor shall establish an Oversight and Monitoring Committee (the "Committee") to oversee the implementation, operations, and financial sustainability of the Health and Wellness Center. The Committee shall be composed of representatives from the Sangguniang Bayan, Health Department, Finance Office/s, and other relevant local government offices, as deemed necessary by the Mayor.

The primary functions and responsibilities of the Committee shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Review and Adjustment of Rates, Fees, and Charges:

The Committee shall review the rates, fees, and charges of services provided by the Center at least once every two (2) years, or as often as necessary. It shall recommend adjustments based on prevailing economic conditions, operational costs, and the LGU's commitment to providing affordable and accessible healthcare services to all residents. The Committee will ensure that any rate adjustments are fair, equitable, and aligned with the LGU's mission to make healthcare accessible, especially for low-income, indigent, and vulnerable populations.

2. Monitoring of Billing, Payments, and Compliance with No Balance Billing Policy:

The Committee shall ensure that the No Balance Billing Policy is fully implemented, adhering to the guidelines set by PhilHealth and applicable laws. It will regularly review

billing records and payment systems to ensure that no patient is charged beyond the amount covered by PhilHealth for eligible services. The Committee will also ensure that vulnerable sectors (e.g., indigents, senior citizens, PWDs, pregnant women) benefit from the policy as per established guidelines.

3. **Operational Monitoring and Quality Assurance:**

The Committee shall conduct regular monitoring of the Center's day-to-day operations to ensure services are delivered in an efficient, effective, and patient-centered manner. It will assess service quality, patient satisfaction, staff performance, and adherence to safety and health standards. The Committee will ensure that the Center meets its mandate of improving public health outcomes while maintaining a high standard of care.

4. **Financial Sustainability and Resource Management:**

The Committee shall review the Center's financial performance on a regular basis to ensure its sustainability and efficient use of resources. This includes evaluating operational costs, revenue generation, and expenditure management. The Committee shall also monitor the allocation of funds, ensuring that resources are appropriately utilized to maintain and expand essential health services without compromising quality.

Section 11. LEASE AGREEMENT

1. **Execution of Lease Agreement**

A formal lease agreement shall be executed between the LGU and any individual or entity offering health and wellness services, including but not limited to clinics, spas, massage therapy centers, and other related businesses, who wish to rent space within the Center.

2. **Lease Agreement Standards**

The Committee shall prepare a lease agreement or any other similar document containing a minimum standard relative to the lease of the Bureau Health & Wellness Center rental spaces, including but not limited to the following:

- a. Rental Fee
- b. Duration of Lease (one year, renewable upon mutual agreement of the parties)
- c. Failure to Pay on Time
- d. Terms and Conditions
- e. Use of Premises
- f. Deposit and Advance Rental
- g. Escalation Clause
- h. Public Utilities
- i. Force Majeure
- j. Right to Inspect Leased Premises
- k. Care of Leased Premises
- l. Safety and Sanitation
- m. Liabilities for Suits
- n. Injury or Damage to a Third Person
- o. Damage to Leased Premises
- p. Sub-Lease
- q. Repairs
- r. Pre-Termination and Termination of Lease
- s. Abandonment and/or Destruction due to Arrears
- t. Inflammable and Explosive Materials
- u. Partial and Total Destruction
- v. Exit Clause:
 - i. Non-Waiver
 - ii. Breach or Default
 - iii. Judicial Relief and Penalties
 - iv. Payment of Taxes
- w. Payment terms and penalties for late payment
- x. Maintenance and sanitation responsibilities

- y. Exclusive use of the leased space for health and wellness services
- z. Compliance with all applicable health regulations, standards, and LGU policies

3. Renter Responsibilities

Renters shall be responsible for maintaining the cleanliness and orderliness of their leased area and for ensuring compliance with safety standards.

4. Contract Processing Fee

A non-refundable contract processing fee of ₱1,000.00 shall be charged for each lease agreement entered into.

5. Transitory Provision for 2025 (Trial Period)

For the year 2025, as a trial period, no rental fee shall be imposed on renters, provided that:

- a. Renters pay for all public utilities (e.g., electricity, water, and other services) consumed during their occupancy;
- b. Renters fully comply with all terms and conditions of the lease agreement, including but not limited to maintenance, sanitation, safety standards, and applicable health regulations; and
- c. Renters pay the non-refundable contract processing fee of ₱1,000.00 as stipulated in Section 8.4 hereof.

Section 12. FUNDS AND APPROPRIATIONS

The LGU shall appropriate an initial fund to cover the establishment and operational costs of the Center.

Revenue generated from the Center's services, including clinic rentals, shall form part of the income of the Local Government Unit and may be utilized for any lawful purpose, subject to applicable budgeting and appropriation laws.

Section 13. REPEALING CLAUSE

The provisions of previous local enactments, resolutions, memoranda, circulars, and other issuances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 14. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

Should any portion of this Ordinance be declared ultra vires or unconstitutional by competent authority, the remainder not so affected shall continue to be in full force and effect as it is susceptible to enforcement and application.

Section 15. EFFECTIVITY

The effectivity of this Ordinance is hereby retroacted to March 1, 2025, provided that the required posting and publication are satisfied, as prescribed under the Local Government Code of 1991.

ENACTED AND APPROVED, March 17, 2025.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

ATTY. RUDEJANE S. TAN
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

HON. NOEL P. ALPINO
Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

Municipal Ordinance No. 25-08
Burauen Health & Wellness Center Ordinance

(absent)
HON. VINCENT G. ENERLAN
Sangguniang Bayan Member

Sd:
HON. CIPRIANO R. RELATORRES, JR.
Sangguniang Bayan Member

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HON. HERMENIA C. CAMASIN
Sangguniang Bayan Member

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HON. BRYAN R. CINCO
Sangguniang Bayan Member

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Sangguniang Bayan Member

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HON. FE S. RENOMERON
LnB President/ Ex-Officio SB Member

(absent)
HON. JUSTINE MERP G. ANDRADE
SK Federation President/ Ex-Officio Member

APPROVED:

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HON. JUANITO E. RENOMERON
Municipal Mayor

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that a Public Hearing for **Municipal Ordinance No. 25-08, Series of 2025** of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled “*An Ordinance Establishing the Burauen Health and Wellness Center, Defining Its Purpose, Mandate, Rates, Fees and Charges, Providing For Operational Guidelines Thereof, and Adopting A “No Balance Billing Policy”*”, was conducted on **March 13, 2025, 9:30** in the morning at the Burauen Community Center, Burauen, Leyte.

Burauen, Leyte, April 14, 2025.


ATTY. RUDEJANE S. TAN
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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Municipality of Burauen



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON SEVEN (7) PROPOSED ORDINANCES,
HELD AT THE BURAUEN COMMUNITY CENTER ON MARCH 13, 2025**

Present:

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| Hon Vincent G. Enerlan | Sangguniang Bayan Member |
| Hon. Cipriano R. Relatorres, Jr. | Sangguniang Bayan Member |
| Hon. Hermenia C. Camasin | Sangguniang Bayan Member |
| Hon. Oscar A. Cagara | Sangguniang Bayan Member |
| Hon. Fe S. Renomeron | LnB President/ Ex-Officio Sangguniang Bayan Member |

I. PRAYER & NATIONAL ANTHEM

- The public hearing commenced with an invocation followed by the singing of the Philippine National Anthem.

II. BURAUEN HYMN

- The singing of the Burauen Hymn ensued.

III. CALL TO ORDER

- Hon. Cipriano R. Relatorres was selected by the Sangguniang Bayan members present to preside over the public hearing.
- The public hearing was called to order at around 9:30 o'clock in the morning.

IV. READING OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCES

- 1. PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 25-09: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES FOR THE BURAUEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE, PROVIDING GUIDELINES FOR THEIR IMPOSITION, COLLECTION, AND UTILIZATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**
 - Hon. Cipriano R. Relatorres, Jr., Chairperson of the Committee on Education, read the "whereas" clauses and sections of Proposed Ordinance No. 25-09.
 - Following this, Mayor Juanito E. Renomeron shared that there is an issue proliferating among local universities and colleges concerning "ghost students".
 - The discussion then shifted to graduation ceremony fees. Hon. Relatorres clarified that the graduation ceremony fees cover expenses associated with organizing the graduation ceremony, which is not covered by UNIFAST.

- 57 - Thereafter, members from BCC's student council raised concerns about the vehicle
58 access fees, deeming the 50 and 100 peso fees too burdensome for students.
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- 60 - Mrs. Alvira Arias, a representative from the Municipal Planning and Development
61 Office, clarified that the fees set forth in the proposed ordinance, include vehicle
62 passes, were rationalized based on guidelines issued by the BLGF. All costs
63 involved with the items or services rendered are taken into account.
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- 65 2. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 25-02: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING**
66 **REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11361 OR THE "ANTI-OBSTRUCTION OF POWER**
67 **LINES ACT" AND FURTHER STRENGTHENING IMPLEMENTATION IN**
68 **THE MUNICIPALITY OF BURAUEN, LEYTE.**
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- 70 - Hon. Cipriano R. Relatorres, Jr., Chairperson of the Committee on Public Utilities,
71 read the "whereas clauses" and sections of Proposed Ordinance No. 25-02.
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- 73 - Engr. Melben Abrera explained that a lack of widespread dissemination of certain
74 national policies prompted him, along with colleagues from DORELCO, Atty.
75 Myreljoy Martinez and Mr. Rex Cabus, to request the passage of this ordinance and
76 to participate in the public hearing to ensure barangay officials were properly
77 informed of the provision of RA 11361.
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- 79 - Engr. Abrera stressed the critical importance of maintaining clear power lines, free
80 from obstructions and debris, to prevent fires. He informed the council that 70% of
81 brownouts result from such obstructions, and their removal would significantly
82 minimize power outages.
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- 84 - Hon. Relatorres then clarified that Republic Act 11361 stipulates that property
85 owner consent is not required for clearing operations, only prior notification.
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- 87 - Hon. Angelita Quimbo, from Barangay Arado, requested that DORELCO provide
88 advance notice to barangays before commencing any clearing activities.
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- 90 - Engr. Abrera agreed, assuring the council that DORELCO will notify barangays at
91 least three days prior to scheduled clearing operations. Furthermore, he stated that
92 if barangays identify an urgent need for clearing outside of scheduled operations,
93 they can request the Burauen Sub-Office to schedule immediate clearing
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- 95 3. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 25-13: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING**
96 **AND INSTITUTIONALIZING THE BARANGAY AGRICULTURE**
97 **EXTENSION WORKER (BAEW) PROGRAM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF**
98 **BURAUEN, LEYTE, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR.**
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- 100 - Hon. Oscar A. Cagara., Chairperson of the Committee on Education, read the
101 "whereas clauses" and sections of Proposed Ordinance No. 25-13.
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- 103 - No question or concern was raised on the proposed ordinance.
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- 105 4. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 25-08: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING**
106 **THE BURAUEN HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER, DEFINING ITS**
107 **PURPOSE, MANDATE, RATES, FEES AND CHARGES, PROVIDING FOR**
108 **OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES THEREOF, AND ADOPTING A "NO-**
109 **BALANCE BILLING POLICY.**
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- 111 - Hon. Cipriano R. Relatorres, Jr., Chairperson of the Committee on Education, read
112 the "whereas clauses" and sections of Proposed Ordinance No. 25-08.

- He stressed that these fees are set at a break-even point, ensuring that the municipality can offer quality and accessible health services without seeking profit.
 - Regarding the No Balance Billing Policy (“NBB”), Hon. Relatorres explained that eligible patients will receive covered services at no cost. However, under the PhilHealth Konsulta Program, NBB applies only to individuals registered with the Burauen Municipal Health Office.
 - Hon. Max Morbos, representing Barangay Takin in Burauen, sought clarification on how residents registered with PhilHealth Konsulta providers outside Burauen could avail of the NBB benefits within the municipality.
 - Mr. Abud explained that PhilHealth's registration process has changed. Formerly, enrollment at a specific health facility meant automatic renewal. Now, PhilHealth members have the flexibility to select a different Konsulta provider each year.
5. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 25-04: AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING ONLINE SEXUAL ABUSE AND EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN (OSAEC) AND CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE OR EXPLOITATION MATERIALS (CSAEM) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BURAUEN, PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11930, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “ANTI-ONLINE SEXUAL ABUSE AND EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN (OSAEC) AND ANTI-CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE OR EXPLOITATION MATERIALS (CSAEM) ACT,” AND INSTITUTIONALIZING PROGRAMS FOR ITS PREVENTION AND ERADICATION, PROVIDING PENALTIES, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR.**
- Hon. Cipriano R. Relatorres, Jr., Chairperson of the Committee on Children, read the “whereas clauses” and sections of Proposed Ordinance No. 25-04.
 - Mrs. Helen Lomahan, Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer, highlighted the role of the barangay, which is to ensure the participation of the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) and the allocation of sufficient funds from the SK funds and resources for the initiatives against OSAEC and CSAEC at the barangay level.
 - Mrs. Lomahan also clarified that the ordinance extends to cases involving adults who are digitally altered or presented to appear as children. As an example, she cited the manipulation of a child's photo to replace their face with that of an adult, which would fall under the ordinance's purview."
6. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 25-10: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11313, ENTITLED, “AN ACT DEFINING GENDER-BASED SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN STREETS, PUBLIC SPACES, ONLINE, WORKPLACES, AND EDUCATIONAL OR TRAINING, INSTITUTIONS, PROVIDING PROTECTIVE MEASURES”, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “SPACE SPACES ACT” AND ITS IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES THEREFOR FOR LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BURAUEN, PROVINCE OF LEYTE.**
- Hon. Cipriano R. Relatorres, Jr., Chairperson of the Committee on Children, read the title and sections of Proposed Ordinance No. 25-10.

- 168 - Mayor Juanito E. Renomeron raised a question regarding the distinction between
169 offenses under the Sexual Harassment Law and the Safe Spaces Act.
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171 - Hon. Relatorres clarified that the Safe Spaces Act was enacted because the existing
172 Sexual Harassment Law did not address instances where the alleged acts were
173 committed by individuals without moral ascendancy over the complainant, or when
174 those acts occurred outside of educational institutions or workplaces. Crucially, the
175 Safe Spaces Act expands coverage to include gender-based sexual harassment
176 committed by anyone, regardless of their position or relationship to the victim, even
177 without moral ascendancy. Therefore, the Safe Spaces Act broadened the scope of
178 protection, explicitly covering gender-based sexual harassment in public spaces,
179 online, and in other settings not previously addressed by the Sexual Harassment
180 Law. It aims to create a more comprehensive legal framework to ensure safety and
181 prevent harassment in all environments.
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183 7. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 25-05: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE**
184 **CHILD PROTECTION POLICY OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF BURAUEN,**
185 **PROVIDING FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION, AND PENALIZING**
186 **VIOLATIONS THEREOF**
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188 - Hon. Cipriano R. Relatorres, Jr., Chairperson of the Committee on Children, read
189 the “whereas clauses” and sections of Proposed Ordinance No. 25-10.
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191 - No question or concern was raised on the proposed ordinance.
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194 **V. ADJOURNMENT**
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- 196 - There being no more matters to be discussed, the public hearing for the
197 aforementioned ordinances was adjourned at 4:15 o’clock in the afternoon.
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203 *Secretary to the Sanggunian*
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MARCH 13, 2025

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CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that **Municipal Ordinance No. 25-08**, Series of 2025 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled, ***“An Ordinance Establishing the Burauen Health and Wellness Center, Defining Its Purpose, Mandate, Rates, Fees and Charges, Providing For Operational Guidelines Thereof, and Adopting A “No-Balance Billing Policy”***”, was enacted on March 17, 2025, approved on even date, and has been posted in two (2) conspicuous and publicly accessible places of the municipality from *March 19, 2025 to April 8, 2025*, in compliance with Section 59, paragraph (b) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the “Local Government Code of 1991”.

Burauen, Leyte, April 14, 2025.


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