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**2<sup>nd</sup> INDORSEMENT**  
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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 9 of the Sangguniang Bayan of San Capoocan, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 9: **“An Ordinance establishing the Local Water Quality Management Framework of the Municipality of Capoocan, Leyte pursuant to RA 9275 (Clean Water Act) and prescribing measures for the protection and conservation of water bodies.”**

**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)(5)(vii)<sup>1</sup> of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160) in consonance with RA 9275 <sup>2</sup>, subject to the availability of funds and to normal and regular accounting and auditing procedures and also to Civil Service rules and regulations. 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**  
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<sup>1</sup> ((vii) Subject to existing laws, provide for the establishment, operation, maintenance, and repair of an efficient waterworks system to supply water for the inhabitants; regulate the construction, maintenance, repair and use of hydrants, pumps, cisterns and reservoirs; protect the purity and quantity of the water supply of the municipality and, for this purpose, extend the coverage of appropriate ordinances over all territory within the drainage area of said water supply and within one hundred (100) meters of the reservoir, conduit, canal, aqueduct, pumping station, or watershed used in connection with the water service; and regulate the consumption, use or wastage of water;

<sup>2</sup> *Clean Water Act*

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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 9, series of 2025 of the Municipality of Capoocan, Leyte, entitled: An Ordinance establishing the Local Water Quality Management Framework of the Municipality of Capoocan, Leyte, pursuant to RA 9275 (Clean Water Act) and prescribing measures for the protection and conservation of water bodies.**

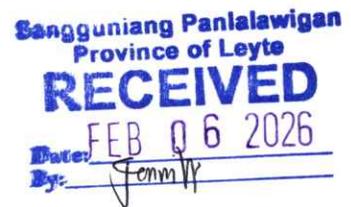


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**THE HONORABLE BODY**

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Dear Gentlemen / Mesdames:

Good Day!

Submitting **Municipal Ordinance No. 9, Series of 2025** of the Sangguniang Bayan of Capoocan, Leyte entitled, ***"AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE LOCAL WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE PURSUANT TO RA 9275 (CLEAN WATER ACT), AND PRESCRIBING MEASURES FOR THE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF WATER BODIES"***, for review of the Honorable Body.

Earliest and favorable action shall be gratefully acknowledged.

Respectfully yours,

  
JUDE R. DELA TORRE  
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE IN ITS 24<sup>th</sup> REGULAR SESSION HELD  
ON DECEMBER 9, 2025 AT THE MUNICIPAL SESSION HALL LEGISLATIVE BUILDING

## ORDINANCE NO. 9, Series of 2025

# "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE LOCAL WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE PURSUANT TO RA 9275 (CLEAN WATER ACT), AND PRESCRIBING MEASURES FOR THE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF WATER BODIES."

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**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Capoocan, Province of Leyte, in a Regular Session duly assembled, that:

### CHAPTER I

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

##### Article I

#### DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AND POLICIES

**SECTION 1. TITLE.** This Act shall be known as the "An Ordinance Establishing the Local Water Quality Management Framework of the Municipality of Capoocan, Leyte Pursuant to RA 9275(Clean Water Act), and Prescribing Measures for the Protection and Conservation of Water Bodies."

**SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.** The Local Government Unit shall pursue a policy of economic growth in a manner consistent with the protection, preservation, and revival of the quality of our fresh, brackish and marine waters. To achieve this end, the framework for sustainable development shall be pursued. As such, it shall be the policy of the LGU:

- a) To streamline processes and procedures in the prevention, control and abatement of pollution of the municipal water resources;

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- b) To promote environmental strategies, use of appropriate economic instruments and of control mechanisms for the protection of water resources;
- c) To formulate a holistic program of water quality management that recognizes that water quality management issues cannot be separated from concerns about water sources and ecological protection, water supply, public health and quality of life;
- d) To formulate an integrated water quality management framework through proper delegation and effective coordination of functions and activities;
- e) To promote commercial and industrial processes and products that are environment friendly and energy efficient;
- f) To encourage cooperation and self-regulation among citizens and industries through the application of incentives and market-based instruments and to promote the role of private industrial enterprises in shaping its regulatory profile within the acceptable boundaries of public health and environment;
- g) To provide for a comprehensive management program for water pollution focusing on pollution prevention;
- h) To promote public information and education and to encourage the participation of an informed and active public in water quality management and monitoring;
- i) To formulate and enforce a system of accountability for short and long-term adverse environmental impact of a project, program or activity; and
- j) To encourage civil society organization and other sectors, particularly labor, the academe and business undertaking environment related activities in their efforts to organize, educate and motivate the people in addressing pertinent environmental issues and problems at the local levels.

**SECTION 3. COVERAGE** – This ordinance shall apply to water quality management in all water bodies: Provided, that it shall primarily apply to the abatement and control of pollution from land-based sources: Provided, further, That the water quality standards and regulations and the civil liability and penal provisions under this ordinance shall be enforced irrespective of sources of pollution within the territorial jurisdiction of the municipality.

## Article 2

### DEFINITION OF TERMS

#### SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS.

- a) **Aquifer** - means a layer of water-bearing rock located underground that transmits water in sufficient quantity to supply pumping wells or natural springs.
- b) **Aquatic life** - means all organisms living in freshwater, brackish and marine environment.
- c) **Beneficial use** - means the use of the environment or any element or segment thereof conducive to public or private welfare, safety and health; and shall include, but not be limited to, the use of water for domestic, municipal, irrigation, power generation, fisheries, livestock raising, industrial, recreational and other purposes:

1. **Use of water for domestic purposes** - means the utilization of water for drinking, washing, bathing, cooking or other household needs, home gardens and watering of lawns or domestic animals;
2. **Use of water for municipal purposes** - means the utilization of water for supplying water requirements of the community;

3. **Use of water for irrigation** - means the utilization of water for producing agricultural crops;
  4. **Use of water for power generation** - means the utilization of water for producing electrical or mechanical power;
  5. **Use of water for fisheries** - means the utilization of water for the propagation of culture of fish as a commercial enterprise;
  6. **Use of water for livestock raising** - means the utilization of water for large herds or flocks of animals raised as a commercial enterprise;
  7. **Use of water for industrial purposes** - means the utilization of water in factories, industrial plants and mines, including the use of water as an ingredient of a finished product; and
  8. **Use of water for recreational purposes** - means the utilization of water for swimming pools, bath houses, boating, water skiing, golf courses and other similar facilities in resorts and other places of recreation.
- d) **Classification/Reclassification of Philippine Waters** - means the categorization of all water bodies taking into account, among others, the following:
- (1) existing quality of the body of water;
  - (2) size, depth, surface area covered, volume, direction, rate of flow and gradient of stream;
  - (3) most beneficial existing and future use of said bodies of water and lands bordering them, such as for residential, agricultural, aquacultural, commercial, industrial, navigational, recreational, wildlife conservation and aesthetic purposes; and
  - (4) vulnerability of surface and groundwater to contamination from pollutive and hazardous wastes, agricultural chemicals, and underground storage tanks of petroleum products.
- e) **Civil Society Organization** - means non-government organizations (NGOs) and people's organizations (POs).
- f) **Cleaner Production** - means the application of an integrated, preventive environmental strategy to processes, products, services to increase efficiency and reduce risk to humans and the environment;
- g) **Clean-up operations** - means activities involving the removal of pollutants discharged or spilled into a water body and its surrounding areas, and the restoration of the affected areas to their former physical, chemical and biological state or conditions.
- h) **Contamination** - means the production of substances not found in the natural composition of water that make the water less desirable or unfit desirable or unfit for intended use.
- i) **Discharge** - includes, but is not limited to, the act of spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, releasing, or dumping of any material into a water body or onto land from which it might flow or drain into said water.
- j) **Drinking water**- means water intended for human consumption or for use in food preparation.
- k) **Dumping** - means any unauthorized or illegal disposal into any body of water or land of wastes or toxic or hazardous material: Provided, that it does not mean a release of effluent coming from commercial, industrial, and domestic sources which are within the effluent standards.
- l) **Effluent** - means discharge from known sources, which is passed into a body of water or land, or wastewater flowing out of a manufacturing plant, industrial plant including domestic, commercial, and recreational facilities.
- m) **Effluent standard** - means any legal restriction or limitation on quantities, rates, and/or concentrations or any combination thereof, of physical, chemical, or biological parameters of effluent, which a person or point source is allowed to discharge into a body of water or land.
- n) **Environmental management** - means the entire system which includes, but is not limited to, conservation, regulation and minimization of pollution, clean production, waste management, environmental law and policy, environmental education and information, study, and mitigation of the environmental impacts of human activity, and environmental research.

- o) **Environmental management system** - means the part of the overall management system that includes organizational structure, planning activities, responsibilities, practices, procedures, processes and resources for developing, implementing, achieving, reviewing and maintaining the environment policy.
- p) **Freshwater** - means water containing less than 500 ppm dissolved common salt, sodium chloride, such as that in groundwater, rivers, ponds and lakes.
- q) **Groundwater** - means a subsurface water that occurs beneath a water table in soils and rocks, or in geological formations.
- r) **Groundwater vulnerability** - means relative ease with which a contaminant located at or near the land surface can migrate to the aquifer or deep well.
- s) **Groundwater vulnerability map** - means the identified areas of the land surface where groundwater quality is most at risk from human activities and shall reflect the different degrees of groundwater vulnerability based on a range of soil properties and hydro geological criteria to serve as guide in the protection of the groundwater from contamination.
- t) **Hazardous waste** - means any waste or combination of wastes of solid liquid, contained gaseous, or semi-solid form which cause, or contribute to, an increase in mortality or an increase in serious irreversible, or incapacitating reversible illness, taking into account toxicity of such waste, its persistence and degradability in nature, its potential for accumulation or concentration in tissue, and other factors that may otherwise cause or contribute to adverse acute or chronic effects on the health of persons or organism.
- u) **Industrial waste** - means any solid, semi-solid or liquid waste material with no commercial value released by a manufacturing or processing plant other than excluded material.
- v) **Integrated Water Quality Management Framework** - means the policy guideline integrating all the existing frameworks prepared by all government agencies contain the following; water quality goals and targets; (b) period of compliance; (c) water pollution control strategies and techniques; (d) water quality information and education program; (e) human resources development program.
- w) **Margin** - means a landward and outer limiting edge adjacent to the border of any water bodies or a limit beyond where beyond where saturation zone ceases to exist.
- x) **Municipal Water Quality Management Committee** - is a body created by the LGU to help plan, coordinate, and monitor programs and activities for the protection and improvement of water quality within the municipality.
- y) **Non-point source** - means any source of pollution not identifiable as point source to include, but not be limited to, runoff from irrigation or rainwater, which picks up pollutants from farms and urban areas.
- z) **Point source** - means any identifiable source of pollution with specific point of discharge into a particular water body.
- aa) **Pollutant**- shall refer to any substance, whether solid, liquid, gaseous or radioactive, which directly or indirectly:
  - (i) alters the quality of any segment of the receiving water body to affect or tend to affect adversely any beneficial use thereof;
  - (ii) is hazardous or potential hazardous to health;
  - (iii) imparts objectionable odor, temperature change, or physical, chemical or biological change to any segment of the water body; or
  - (iv) is in excess of the allowable limits, concentrations, or quality standards specified, or in contravention of the condition, limitation or restriction prescribed in this Act.
- bb) **Pollution control technology**- means pollution control devices or apparatus, processes, or other means that effectively prevent control or reduce pollution of water caused by effluents and other discharges, from any point source at levels within the water pollution standards.

- cc) **Potentially infectious medical waste**- include isolation wastes, infectious agents, human blood and blood products, pathological wastes, sharps, body parts, contaminated bedding, surgical wastes, and other disposable medical equipment and material that may pose a risk to the public health, welfare or the marine environment.
- dd) **Septage** - means the sludge produced on individual onsite wastewater disposal systems, principally septic tanks, and cesspools.
- ee) **Sewage** - means water-borne human or animal wastes, excluding oil or oil wastes, removed from residences, building, institutions, industrial and commercial establishments together with such groundwater, surface water and storm water as maybe present including such waste from vessels, offshore structures, other receptacles intended to receive or retain waste or other places or the combination thereof.
- ff) **Sewerage** - includes, but is not limited to, any system or network of pipelines, ditches, channels, or conduits including pumping stations, lift stations and force mains, service connections including other constructions, devices, and appliances appurtenant thereto, which includes the collection, transport, pumping and treatment of sewage to a point of disposal.
- gg) **Sludge** - means any solid, semi-solid or liquid waste or residue generated from a wastewater treatment plant, water supply treatment plant, or water control pollution facility, or any other such waste having similar characteristics and effects.
- hh) **Surface water** - means all water, which is open to the atmosphere and subject to surface runoff.
- ii) **Treatment** - means any method, technique, or process designed to alter the physical, chemical, or biological and radiological character or composition of any waste or wastewater to reduce or prevent pollution.
- jj) **Toxic amount** - means the lowest amount of concentration of toxic pollutants, which may cause chronic or long-term acute or lethal conditions or effects to the aquatic life, or health of persons or which may adversely affect designated water uses.
- kk) **Waste** - means any material either solid, liquid, semisolid, contained gas or other forms resulting industrial, commercial, mining, or agricultural operations, or from community and household activities that is devoid of usage and discarded.
- ll) **Wastewater** - means waste in liquid state containing pollutants.
- mm) **Water body** - means both natural and man-made bodies of fresh, brackish, and saline waters, and includes, but is not limited to, aquifers, groundwater, springs, creeks, streams, rivers, ponds, lagoons, water reservoirs, lakes, bays, estuarine, coastal, and marine waters. Water bodies do not refer to those constructed, developed and used purposely as water treatment facilities and/or water storage for recycling and re-use which are integral to process industry or manufacturing.
- nn) **Water Pollution** - means any alteration of the physical, chemical, biological, or radiological properties of a water body resulting in the impairment of its purity or quality.
- oo) **Water Quality** - means the characteristics of water, which define its use in characteristics by terms of physical, chemical, biological, bacteriological, or radiological characteristics by which the acceptability of water is evaluated.
- pp) **Water Quality Governing Board** - It is the policymaking and coordinating body created under the Philippine Clean Water Act of 2004 (RA 9275) to oversee the management of a designated Water Quality Management Area (WQMA). The Board is composed of representatives from the DENR, concerned local government units, national agencies, water districts, private sector, and civil society, and is responsible for formulating plans, policies, and programs to protect and improve the water quality within the WQMA.
- qq) **Water quality guidelines** - means the level for a water constituent or numerical values of physical, chemical, biological and bacteriological or radiological parameters which are used to classify water resources and their use, which does not result in significant health risk and which are not intended

for direct enforcement but only for water quality management purposes, such as determining time trends, evaluating stages of deterioration or enhancement of the water quality, and as basis for taking positive action in preventing, controlling or abating water pollution.

- rr) **Water Quality Management Area Action Plan** - includes, but not be limited to, the following: (a) goals and targets including sewerage or septage program, (b) schedule of compliance to meet the applicable requirements of this Act; (c) water pollution control strategies or techniques; (d) water quality information and education program; e) resource requirement and possible sources; f) enforcement procedures of the plan and (g) rewards and incentives under Chapter 4 of this Act.

## CHAPTER 2

### WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

#### Article 1

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

**SECTION 5. Water Quality Management Area.** – The LGU in coordination with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and relevant agencies such as the National Water Resources Board (NWRB), shall assist in the designation or recognition of specific Water Quality Management Areas (WQMAs) within its jurisdiction.

Such areas shall be based on appropriate physiographic units such as river systems, creeks, coastal zones, and watershed areas, which have common hydrological, meteorological, geographical, or environmental conditions that affect the water quality in the municipality.

The Local Government Unit of Capoocan, Leyte shall:

1. Participate in the management of designated WQMAs by appointing a single representative to the WQMA Governing Board in case it is involved in more than one management area.
2. Cooperate with the multi-sectoral governing board, led by the DENR, in formulating strategies, programs, and policies for the improvement of water quality in accordance with the National Water Quality Framework.

To ensure proper monitoring and enforcement at the municipal level, the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) shall:

- Coordinate the establishment of a local water quality surveillance and monitoring team, composed of representatives from the barangays, municipal health office, water district or service provider, and relevant NGOs or people's organizations.
- Implement water sampling, site inspections, and data collection on a regular basis, particularly in identified water bodies prone to pollution or degradation.
- Submit quarterly reports and recommendations to the Municipal Mayor and the Municipal Water Quality Management Committee, to support enforcement and pollution control measures.

The monitoring network shall help in tracking compliance with local and water quality standards, and in guiding actions on wastewater management, pollution abatement, and community education campaigns.

#### Section 6. Municipal Water Quality Management Committee (MWQMC).

##### A. Composition.

The Municipal Water Quality Management Committee shall be composed of the following:

1. Municipal Mayor – Chairperson

2. Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer (MENRO) – Vice Chairperson
3. Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator (MPDC) – Member
4. Municipal Health Officer (MHO) – Member
5. Municipal Agriculture Officer (MAO) – Member
6. Municipal Engineer – Member
7. Representative from the Sangguniang Bayan (Committee on Environment) – Member
8. Representative from the Department of Education (DepEd) – District Supervisor – Member
9. Representative from the Local Water District or Service Provider – Member
10. Barangay Captains (or duly designated representatives) from all component barangays – Members
11. Two (2) representatives from Accredited NGOs/POs/CSOs engaged in environment or water-related advocacy – Members
12. One (1) representative from the business/private sector – Member
13. One (1) representative from the academe, if available – Member

The MENRO shall also serve as the Secretariat of the Committee.

### B. Duties and Responsibilities.

The MWQMC shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

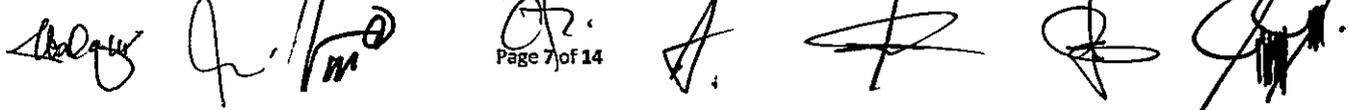
1. Formulate and recommend municipal policies and action plans on water quality management;
2. Coordinate with national agencies and local stakeholders in implementing water quality programs;
3. Monitor and evaluate the water quality of rivers, streams, coastal waters, and other water bodies within the municipality.
4. Recommend enforcement actions and penalties against violators of water quality standards;
5. Promote environmental education, awareness, and participation of barangays and communities;
6. Assist in project development and mobilization of resources for water quality management;
7. Submit regular reports and recommendations to the Sangguniang Bayan and the Office of the Mayor.

**SECTION 7. Management of Non-attainment Areas.** - The Local Government Unit shall identify and declare any river, creek, coastal area, or other water body where pollution levels are above the allowed standards as a non-attainment area. In these areas, the LGU shall, not allow new pollution sources unless pollution from existing sources is reduced, allow discharges of naturally occurring pollutants (like boron or minerals from geothermal areas) only if they, do not exceed the natural level in the area, do not harm public health, water supply, or the environment. The Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO), in coordination with DENR, DOH, DA, NWRB, and other agencies, shall, prepare a program to clean and improve water quality in these areas, work to upgrade the water for its intended use.

The LGU shall also prepare emergency plans to protect affected communities, which may include, providing safe water, issuing health advisories, relocating residents if needed. Regular monitoring and reports shall be done to track improvements and ensure community safety.

**SECTION 8. Sewerage and Septage Management Program.** The Local Government Unit in coordination with the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) and other concerned agencies, shall support and implement a Sewerage and Septage Management Program to help improve water quality and public sanitation. As part of this program, the LGU shall identify and prioritize areas that need sewerage or septage treatment facilities based on factors such as population, pollution level, and available land. Allocate land for the construction of treatment facilities, including providing road access or right-of-way, as needed. Support the rehabilitation of old or non-functioning septic systems or treatment facilities in the area. Explore funding sources to help cover the cost of operations and maintenance of these facilities, including, local property taxes, service fees from households and establishments using the facility. The Municipal Engineering Office and Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office shall work together to help implement and monitor the program.

**SECTION 9. Domestic Sewage Collection, Treatment, and Disposal.** Within five (5) years from the effectivity of this Ordinance, the Capoocan Water Service Provider if applicable, or any agency or concessionaire responsible for sewerage and sanitation services, in coordination with the LGU shall ensure that all the



following establishments are connected to an available sewerage system, if present, subdivisions, commercial establishments, public markets, hospitals and clinics, hotels and resorts, schools and public buildings, industrial or manufacturing areas, and households located near the sewer lines. Such connections shall be subject to sewerage service fees or charges in line with existing national or local regulations unless the establishment or household already has its own approved sewage treatment system. In areas without centralized sewerage systems, the LGU, in partnership with DPWH, DOH, DENR, MEO and other agencies, shall implement a septage management system or a combined sewerage-septage system, depending on the area's needs and capacity.

The Municipal Health Office, in coordination with other agencies, shall issue guidelines and standards for Safe and sanitary collection, treatment, and disposal of sewage. Design and operation of centralized sewage treatment facilities. The Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO), Municipal Health Office (MHO) and Municipal Engineering Office thru Building Official Designate shall oversee local implementation, ensure compliance, and support public awareness on proper sewage and septage management.

**SECTION 10. Municipal Water Quality Management Fund.** A Municipal Water Quality Management Fund is hereby established and shall be managed by the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Capoocan, in coordination with concerned offices. The fund shall be used exclusively for the following purposes:

- a) Support clean-up and containment operations in cases of water pollution;
- b) Fund the restoration and rehabilitation of affected water bodies and ecosystems;
- c) Assist in enforcement, research, and regular monitoring of water quality;
- d) Provide technical support to concerned municipal departments;
- e) Offer incentives or rewards for environmental compliance and innovation;
- f) Conduct community information, education, and awareness campaigns;
- g) Cover other related expenses necessary for the prevention and control of water pollution in the municipality.

Sources of the fund may include:

- Fines or penalties collected from violators of this ordinance.
- Proceeds from permits and environmental charges.
- Donations, grants, or endowments from public or private sectors, which shall be free from donor's tax and other charges.

All disbursements shall follow standard government accounting and budgeting procedures.

**SECTION 11. Water Quality Variance for Energy and Resource Exploration Projects.** The Local Government Unit may allow limited exceptions or variances to water quality standards for projects related to geothermal, wind, oil, or gas exploration, provided that. For geothermal projects facing re-injection constraints, the LGU may consider adjusted water quality standards only if there are proper safeguards to protect the beneficial use of water bodies downstream of the project site. Similar variance may be applied to oil and gas exploration projects, if approved or recommended by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) or concerned national agencies. Any approval of variance must not endanger public health or the environment, be based on technical justification, include monitoring and mitigation measures, be coordinated with the DENR, DOE, and other relevant agencies. The Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) shall evaluate such proposals and ensure that the protection of water quality and community welfare remains a top priority.

**SECTION 12. Classification of Industry Sectors.** Within twenty-four (24) months from the effectivity of this Ordinance, and every two (2) years thereafter, the LGU shall identify and update the list of industry sectors operating within the municipality. This list shall serve as the basis for setting local effluent standards for each type of industry, depending on the type and volume of their wastewater. The classification and updates shall be made through public consultations with relevant stakeholders including businesses, environmental

agencies, and the community. Effluent standards shall be established for major wastewater pollutants specific to each industry type, in coordination with national regulations and agencies.

The LGU with the recommendation of DENR shall provide additional classification based on other parameters specifically associated to discharge of a particular industry which shall be included in the listing of categories prescribed in the preceding paragraph.

## Article 2 WATER POLLUTION PERMITS AND CHARGES

**SECTION 13. Local Wastewater Discharge Permits.** All owners or operators of facilities that discharge wastewater into any water body within the territorial boundary of the municipality shall be required to secure a Local Wastewater Discharge Permit from the LGU.

This permit shall serve as the legal authorization for discharging wastewater and shall include the following details:

- Quantity and quality of wastewater allowed to be discharged
- Effluent limits based on local and national standards
- Location of discharge
- Schedule of compliance
- Monitoring and reporting requirements

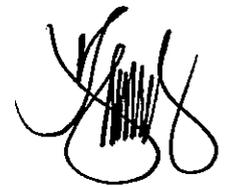
The LGU shall:

- Encourage the use of waste reduction and pollution control technologies
- Coordinate with DENR-EMB for technical standards and compliance
- Ensure that the total wastewater load in rivers, creeks, and coastal waters stays within safe limits
- Allocate discharge quotas fairly to various industries and establishments

Facilities without a discharge permit shall be given 12 months from the effectivity of this ordinance to comply.

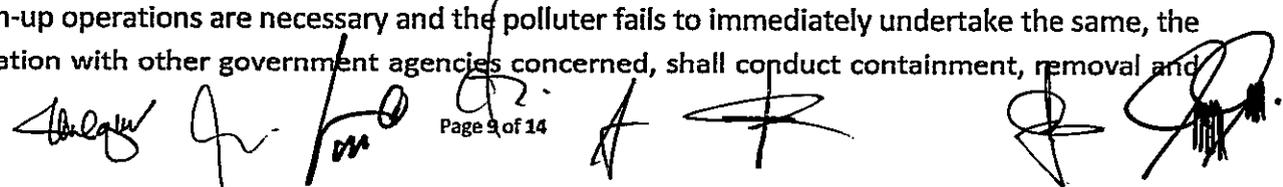
Effluent trading may be allowed within designated water management areas upon approval by the LGU and relevant agencies.

## Article 3 FINANCIAL LIABILITY MECHANISM



**SECTION 14. Environmental Guarantee for Project Rehabilitation.** All programs and projects that may pose significant environmental risks within the municipality shall be required to provide a form of financial guarantee to ensure funds are available for environmental rehabilitation, in line with the Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) issued by the DENR. This guarantee—known as the Environmental Guarantee Fund (EGF)—shall be used for, rehabilitation of damaged ecosystems, emergency clean-up and environmental response, restoration of affected areas even after the project has ended, within the period stated in the ECC. The EGF may be in the form of, trust fund, environmental insurance, surety bond, letter of credit, other financial instruments accepted by the DENR. Project proponents shall present proof of securing such guaranteed instruments, which will be reviewed by the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) in coordination with the DENR.

**SECTION 15. Clean-Up Operations.** - Notwithstanding the provisions of Sec.14 and 24 hereof, any person who causes pollution in or pollutes water bodies in excess of the applicable and prevailing standards shall be responsible to contain, remove and clean-up any pollution incident at his own expense to the extent that the same water bodies have been rendered unfit for utilization and beneficial use: Provided, That in the event emergency clean-up operations are necessary and the polluter fails to immediately undertake the same, the LGU, in coordination with other government agencies concerned, shall conduct containment, removal and



clean-up operations. Expenses incurred in said operations shall be reimbursed by the persons found to have caused such pollution upon proper administrative determination in accordance with this Ordinance. Reimbursements of the cost incurred shall be made to the Municipal Water Quality Management Fund or to such other funds where said disbursements were sourced.

**SECTION 16. Programmatic Environmental Impact Assessment.** - The LGU shall implement programmatic compliance with the environmental impact assessment system, as in the following types of development:

- (a) development consisting of a series of similar projects, or a project subdivided into several phases and/or stages whether situated in a contiguous area or geographically dispersed; and
- (b) development consisting of several components, or a cluster of projects co-located in an area such as an industrial estate, an export processing zone, or a development zone identified in a local land use plan. Programmatic compliance with the environmental impact assessment system shall be guided by carrying capacity assessments determined from ecological profiles. Ecological profiles shall identify environmental constraints and opportunities in programmatic areas. Programmatic assessment shall also take into account cumulative impacts and risks.

Consistent with the provisions of the Local Government Code, the LGU may enter into agreement with DENR to incorporate programmatic environmental impact assessment into the preparation, updating or revision of local land use plans and area development plans.

### CHAPTER 3 INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISM

#### SECTION 17. Role of the Local Government Unit (LGU)

The LGU shall take the lead in managing and improving water quality within its jurisdiction. The LGU, through the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO), shall implement this Ordinance and ensure compliance by all sectors.

The LGU shall have the following functions and responsibilities:

- a. Enforce and update water quality policies and local effluent standards, in coordination with the DENR and other agencies;
- b. Identify and classify sources of water pollution (both point and non-point) every two (2) years;
- c. Classify water bodies (e.g., rivers, streams, creeks) according to their use (e.g., for drinking, irrigation, recreation) and update such classifications as needed;
- d. Monitor pollution levels and recommend measures to prevent, reduce, or stop water pollution;
- e. Require businesses to use proper wastewater treatment systems and promote environmentally-sound practices;
- f. Conduct regular inspections and monitoring of water quality and wastewater discharges;
- g. Report annually to the Sangguniang Bayan on the status of local water bodies and recommend actions or legislation as needed;
- h. Coordinate emergency response to water-related incidents (e.g., spills, contamination);
- i. Lead information campaigns to raise awareness about the effects of water pollution and the importance of clean water;
- j. Impose penalties and sanctions against individuals or businesses found violating this Ordinance;
- k. Participate in the preparation and implementation of the Water Quality Management Action Plan;
- l. Coordinate with national agencies, civil society groups, and stakeholders in all water quality protection and rehabilitation efforts.

**SECTION 18. Business and Industry Role in Environmental Management.** - The LGU in coordination with the appropriate government agencies, and in consultation with the business and industrial sectors including

commerce, shall formulate appropriate incentives for the adoption procedures that will preserve and protect our water bodies through the introduction of innovative equipment and processes that reduce if eliminate discharge of pollutants into our water bodies.

### SECTION 19. Linkage Mechanism

The LGU, through its Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO), shall coordinate and enter partnerships with concerned government agencies, industries, and other sectors to ensure the effective implementation of this Ordinance.

The LGU shall work in close coordination with the following:

- a. **Philippine Coast Guard**, in cooperation with BFAR and DENR, for the monitoring and enforcement of water quality standards in marine and coastal waters;
- b. **Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)** and other local water utilities or service providers, for the provision and maintenance of sewerage and sanitation systems;
- c. **Department of Agriculture (DA)** and **BFAR**, for the management and control of pollution from agricultural and aquaculture activities, including the safe reuse of wastewater for irrigation;
- d. **Department of Health (DOH)**, for the enforcement of safe drinking water standards within the municipality;
- e. **Department of Science and Technology (DOST)**, for technical assistance in the adoption of cleaner technologies and pollution prevention programs;
- f. **Department of Education (DepEd)**, **CHED**, **DILG**, and **Philippine Information Agency (PIA)**, for the implementation of environmental education, awareness, and information campaigns.
- g. **All Component Barangays of the Municipality** – for the enforcement of environmental programs, localized monitoring, community education, and grassroots participation in compliance with this Ordinance.

**SECTION 20. Record-Keeping and Inspection Authority.** Businesses, establishments, and individuals operating pollution sources within the municipality are required to keep proper records and submit reports as may be required by the LGU or the DENR.

These reports may include data on wastewater discharge, pollution control activities, or other environmental information. These documents may be made public, unless proven that they contain confidential or proprietary methods protected by law.

The LGU, through its authorized MENRO personnel, shall have the authority to:

- (a) Enter any premises to access records or inspect facilities related to pollution or waste management.
- (b) Inspect equipment, monitoring devices, or systems used to control pollution;
- (c) Collect samples and conduct tests of discharges or emissions when necessary.

In case of environmental incidents such as fish kills, the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) may also enter and inspect any establishment believed to be responsible.

**SECTION 21. Pollution Research and Development Programs.** The LGU shall coordinate with the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), relevant national agencies, academic institutions, and research organizations to support and promote research and development on water pollution prevention and control. As part of this initiative, the LGU may, encourage local studies and surveys on the causes, impacts, and solutions to water pollution, facilitate training and knowledge-sharing on pollution prevention technologies and practices, support local pilot projects, innovation, and community-based solutions for wastewater and water quality management.

## CHAPTER 4 INCENTIVES AND AWARDS

**SECTION 22. Rewards.** - Rewards, monetary or otherwise, shall be provided to individuals, private organization, local enforcers and entities, including civil society organization, that have undertaken outstanding and innovative projects, technologies, processes and techniques or activities in water quality management. Said rewards shall be sourced from the Municipal Water Quality Management Fund herein created.

**SECTION 23. Incentive Scheme.**

An incentive scheme is hereby established to encourage compliance with this Ordinance and to promote effective water quality management programs.

Fifty percent (50%) of the total fines collected from violations of this Ordinance shall be allocated as support to duly designated local enforcers. This support may be used for equipment, transportation, and other operational needs necessary for enforcement.

The granting and use of these incentives shall be subject to the availability of funds and applicable government rules and regulations.

## CHAPTER 5 CIVIL LIABILITY/PENAL PROVISIONS

**SECTION 24. Prohibited Acts.** - The following acts are hereby prohibited:

- a) Discharging, depositing or causing to be deposited material of any kind directly or indirectly into the water bodies or along the margins of any surface water, where, the same shall be liable to be washed into such surface water, either by tide action or by storm, floods or otherwise, which could cause water pollution or impede natural flow in the water body;
- b) Discharging, injecting, or allowing to seep into the soil or sub-soil any substance in any form that would pollute groundwater. In the case of geothermal projects, and subject to the approval of the DENR, regulated discharge for short- term activities (e.g. well testing, flushing, commissioning, venting) and deep re-injection of geothermal liquids may be allowed: Provided, That safety measures are adopted to prevent the contamination of the groundwater;
- c) Operating facilities that discharge regulated water pollutants without the valid required permits or after the permit was revoked for any violation of any condition therein;
- d) Disposal of potentially infectious medical waste into sea water by vessels unless the health or safety of individuals on board the vessel is threatened by a great and imminent peril;
- e) Unauthorized transport or dumping into sea waters of sewage sludge or solid waste as defined under Republic Act No.9003;
- f) Transport, dumping or discharge of prohibited chemicals, substances or pollutants listed under Republic Act No.6969;
- g) Operate facilities that discharge or allow to seep, willfully or through gross negligence, prohibited chemicals, substances or pollutants listed under R. A. No. 6969 into water bodies or wherein the same shall be liable to be washed into such surface, ground, coastal, and marine water;
- h) Undertaking Activities or development and expansion of projects, or operating wastewater/sewerage facilities in violation of Presidential Decree. No.1586 and its implementing rules, and regulations;

- i) Discharging regulated water pollutants without the valid required discharge permit pursuant to this Ordinance or after the permit was revoked for any violation of condition therein;
- j) Refusal to allow entry, inspection and monitoring by the LGU in accordance with this Ordinance;
- k) Refusal to allow access by the LGU to relevant reports and records in accordance with this Ordinance;
- l) Refusal or failure to submit reports whenever required by the LGU in accordance with this Ordinance;
- m) Refusal or failure to designate pollution control officers whenever required by, the LGU in accordance with this Ordinance; and
- n) Directly using booster pumps in the distribution system or tampering with the water supply in such a way as to alter or impair the water quality.

**SECTION 25. Fines, Damages, and Penalties.** – Unless otherwise specifically provided, any person who violates any of the prohibited acts stated in the immediately preceding Section or any other provision of this Ordinance or its implementing rules and regulations shall be fined **Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (₱2,500.00)** for each offense, upon the recommendation of the Municipal Water Quality Management Committee, subject to due process.

To maintain the deterrent effect of these penalties, the amount of fine may be subject to review and adjustment every two (2) years, not exceeding the maximum amount allowed under applicable laws, and subject to the approval of the Sangguniang Bayan. Upon recommendation of the MWQMC, the LGU may order the temporary closure, suspension of construction or development, or cessation of operations of any facility in violation of this Ordinance, including disconnection of water supply, until such time that full compliance and environmental safeguards are in place. An ex parte order may be issued during the pendency of the case if public health and safety is at risk. *Any person or entity who willfully or through gross negligence fails to conduct required clean-up operations shall be fined ₱2,500.00 per violation. If such failure results in serious injury, loss of life, or irreversible contamination of surface, ground, coastal, or marine waters, an additional daily fine of ₱1,000.00 per day may be imposed for every day the violation continues, subject to the ₱2,500.00 maximum allowable penalty under the Local Government Code.* Any damage or cleanup cost incurred by the Municipality may also be charged to the violator. In case of gross violations, the MWQMC or Municipal Mayor may recommend to the appropriate national government agency the filing of criminal charges against the violators. Gross violations shall include:

- a) Deliberate discharge of toxic substances or pollutants identified under Republic Act No. 6969 in amounts harmful to health or the environment.
- b) Commission of five (5) or more violations within a period of two (2) years.

## CHAPTER 6 FINAL PROVISIONS

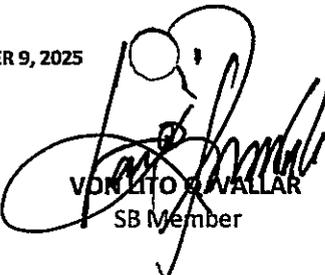
**SECTION 26. Repealing Clause.** - All ordinances, executive and administrative issuances found inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be repealed accordingly.

**SECTION 27. Separability Clause.** - If any provision of this Ordinance or the application such provision to any person or circumstances is declared unconstitutional, the remainder of the Ordinance or the application of such provision to other person or circumstances shall not be affected by such declaration.

**SECTION 28. Effectivity.** - This ordinance shall take effect after its approval and compliance to the posting and publication requirements prescribed in Republic Act 7160.

ENACTED by the Sangguniang Bayan, in session assembled this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2025 at Capooan, Leyte.

  
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SB Member

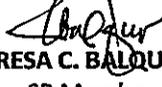
  
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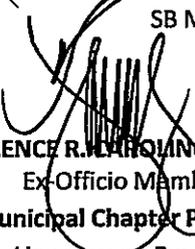
  
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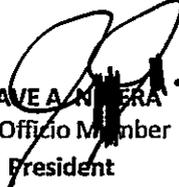
  
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Pambayang Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of this foregoing ordinance and that the same was enacted on the date above stated.

  
JUDE K. DELA TORRE  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

  
ATTY. FE CLAIRE P. CAROLINO-PARAGATOS  
Municipal Vice-Mayor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

  
ATTY. FEDERICO H. CAROLINO, SR.  
Municipal Mayor  
Date: 2-3-26



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MINUTES OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE IN ITS 23<sup>rd</sup> REGULAR SESSION  
cum PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON DECEMBER 2, 2025 AT THE CAPOOCAN MULTI-PURPOSE  
SPORTS CENTER

**PRESENT:**

1. Hon. Fe Claire P. Carolino-Paragatos Municipal Vice-Mayor/Presiding Officer
2. Hon. Gracia G. Pigar Sangguniang Bayan Member
3. Hon. Von Lito Q. Vallar Sangguniang Bayan Member
4. Hon. Federico P. Carolino, Jr. Sangguniang Bayan Member
5. Hon. Jaime A. Dalde, Jr. Sangguniang Bayan Member
6. Hon. Arnold A. Caing Sangguniang Bayan Member
7. Hon. Lander Jake D. Abillar Sangguniang Bayan Member
8. Hon. Teresa C. Balquin Sangguniang Bayan Member
9. Hon. Jojo N. Nepomuceno Sangguniang Bayan Member
10. Hon. Florence R. Carolino-Misagal Ex-Officio Member  
Municipal Chapter President - Liga ng mga Barangay
11. Hon. Dave A. Nidera Ex-Officio Member  
President-Pambayang Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan
12. Mr. Jude R. dela Torre Secretary to the Sanggunian

**GUESTS:**

1. LGU Department Heads, Unit Heads and employees
2. PUBLIC Refer to Attendance Sheet

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The Regular Session cum public hearing was called to order by the Honorable Presiding Officer at 10:05 in the morning. It was followed by an Opening Prayer, singing of the Pambansang Awit, Panunumpa sa Watawat ng Pilipinas, Panunumpa ng Lingkod Bayan and singing of the Capoocan Hymn.

A quorum was confirmed by the SB Secretary with all members of the Sanggunian present.

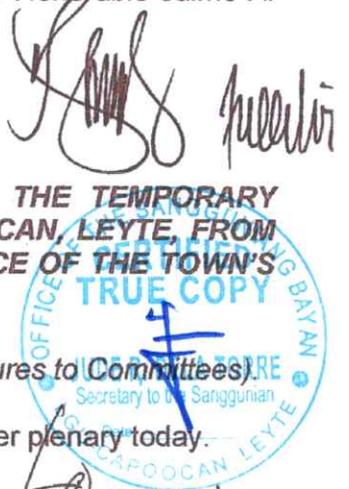
The Municipal Vice-Mayor, Honorable Fe Claire P. Carolino-Paragatos welcomed the participants of the regular session cum public hearing. It was followed by a message from the Municipal Mayor, Honorable Federico H. Carolino, Sr., then the participants were presented and acknowledged by Honorable Jaime A. Dalde, Jr.

**FIRST READING AND REFERRAL OF MEASURES TO COMMITTEES**

A. ORDINANCE NO. 24, Series of 2025, "AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE TEMPORARY ANNUAL CLOSURE OF FLORES STREET, POBLACION ZONE I, CAPOOCAN, LEYTE, FROM NOVEMBER 1 TO THE SECOND SUNDAY OF JANUARY, IN OBSERVANCE OF THE TOWN'S FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY AND THE CHRISTMAS SEASON"

Hon. Presiding Officer: (Read Item A of the First Reading and Referral of Measures to Committees)

Hon. Carolino: Madame Chairman, I accept, and I move to treat this matter under plenary today.



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possible nga mga legal remedies just we can come up with a regulatory ordinance for this very purpose nga waray natatalapas nga balaud, kay iton pinaka-importante dinhi, iton peligro nga ada nabubutang hiton mga kabataan nga angkas hiton habal-habal.

Hon. Carolino: Damo nga salamat hadton imo maupay nga suggestion Mr. Bebot Procia. So, I suggest to my colleagues, iton ginsisiring ni Mr. Procia aton kadtuon for benchmarking, kun gin-ano nira pamaagi with LTO.

Hon. Luz Cabiltes: I move to approve on second reading, **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 8, S. 2025, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 276 SERIES OF 2012, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE MOTORCYCLE HELMET ORDINANCE OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFORE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"**.

The motion of Honorable Cabiltes was seconded by Honorable Elisea Micmic and Mr. Teofilo Makabenta, without any objection from the August Body and was thereby declared approved by the Honorable Presiding Officer.

Hon. Carolino: Madame Chairman, since approved on second reading under public hearing, I move to calendar the same on third and final reading next regular session.

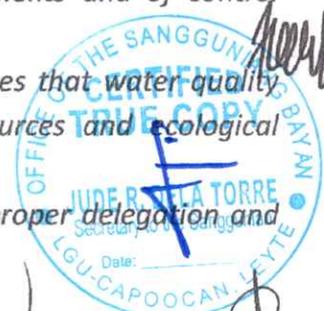
The motion of Honorable Carolino was seconded by Honorable Pigar and Honorable Balquin, without any objection from the August Body and was thereby declared approved by the Honorable Presiding Officer.

❖ **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 9, S. 2025, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE LOCAL WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE PURSUANT TO RA 9275 (CLEAN WATER ACT), AND PRESCRIBING MEASURES FOR THE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF WATER BODIES"**.

Hon. Caing: Ini nga ordinance pamati ko, di ini mag-iiha, madakmol gad hiya hin duro, diri ko babasahon nga tanan, pero just to summarize, siring pa man han kanta nga sikat nga gin-compose han Asin, *hindi na masama ang pag-unlad kung hindi nakakasira sa kalikasan*, baga amo la an content hini kay for those who do not know, in two years, as I've heard han aton MPDO, magigin operational na, at work na an geothermal operations, kun diin an aton bungto nakapasar an usa nga site han ira expansion, syempre, industrialization ito hiya, income ito hiya ha aton, pati an employment, pero dapat mayda ito palisiya, mayda ordinansa nga magga-guide para diri maabuso an aton natural resources. Ngan lately, two weeks ago, mayda nasinganhi, New Vision Company, ginpro-propose nira, magka-conduct hira hin research ngan study, in two years time, magtitindog liwat hira hin windmill turbine dida hiton mga ridges hiton coastal area, so ira liwat ginta-target an Capoocan. Again, another ito hiya nga opportunity, magigin parehos kita han llocos nga bungto, gindadayo tungod hiton mga higante nga 100 meters an kada palapad. Again, diri kita kutob la ha economic la nga side, but also, pirmi naton igko-consider an environmental protection. This **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 9, S. 2025, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE LOCAL WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE PURSUANT TO RA 9275 (CLEAN WATER ACT), AND PRESCRIBING MEASURES FOR THE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF WATER BODIES"**.

**SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.** *The Local Government Unit shall pursue a policy of economic growth in a manner consistent with the protection, preservation, and revival of the quality of our fresh, brackish and marine waters. To achieve this end, the framework for sustainable development shall be pursued. As such, it shall be the policy of the LGU:*

- a) *To streamline processes and procedures in the prevention, control and abatement of pollution of the municipal water resources;*
- b) *To promote environmental strategies, use of appropriate economic instruments and of control mechanisms for the protection of water resources;*
- c) *To formulate a holistic program of water quality management that recognizes that water quality management issues cannot be separated from concerns about water sources and ecological protection, water supply, public health and quality of life;*
- d) *To formulate an integrated water quality management framework through proper delegation and effective coordination of functions and activities;*



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- e) To promote commercial and industrial processes and products that are environment friendly and energy efficient;
- f) To encourage cooperation and self-regulation among citizens and industries through the application of incentives and market-based instruments and to promote the role of private industrial enterprises in shaping its regulatory profile within the acceptable boundaries of public health and environment;
- g) To provide for a comprehensive management program for water pollution focusing on pollution prevention;
- h) To promote public information and education and to encourage the participation of an informed and active public in water quality management and monitoring;
- i) To formulate and enforce a system of accountability for short and long-term adverse environmental impact of a project, program or activity; and
- j) To encourage civil society organization and other sectors, particularly labor, the academe and business undertaking environment related activities in their efforts to organize, educate and motivate the people in addressing pertinent environmental issues and problems at the local levels.

Hon. Caing: So, ha pag-summarize, uutrohon ko, amo adto, in preparation hito nga aton upcoming activities nga kun diin maabot nganhi ha aton an dagko nga kumpanya para mag-negosyo, wherein mag-eexplore ha aton natural resources, so dapat an aton munisipyo, may nakaandam nga ordinansa para magiyahan hira kun kutob la diin an ira puede buhaton, ngan diri maabuson an aton natural resources. Ngan pinaagi han LGU ngan pinaagi hini nga ordinansa, magburublig kita kay para man ini ha iyo, magformulate pa kami hin iba pa nga policies, kun diin ig-o oblige an mga private individuals, mga private sectors, an NGOs, an CSOs, an mga barangay officials, ngan an mga agencies ha igbaw like han DENR, BFAR, DA, para sigurado nga parallel an aton paggamit han aton natural resources para kita umasenso, pero diri naton nade-degrade an quality han aton environment.

**CHAPTER 2**  
**WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**  
**Article 1**  
**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**SECTION 5. Water Quality Management Area.** – The LGU in coordination with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and relevant agencies such as the National Water Resources Board (NWRB), shall assist in the designation or recognition of specific Water Quality Management Areas (WQMAs) within its jurisdiction.

Such areas shall be based on appropriate **physiographic units** such as river systems, creeks, coastal zones, and watershed areas, which have common **hydrological, meteorological, geographical, or environmental conditions** that affect the **water quality** in the municipality.

**Section 6. Municipal Water Quality Management Committee (MWQMC).**

**A. Composition.** The Municipal Water Quality Management Committee shall be composed of the following:

1. Municipal Mayor – Chairperson
2. Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer (MENRO) – Vice Chairperson
3. Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator (MPDC) – Member
4. Municipal Health Officer (MHO) – Member
5. Municipal Agriculture Officer (MAO) – Member
6. Municipal Engineer – Member
7. Representative from the Sangguniang Bayan (Committee on Environment) – Member
8. Representative from the Department of Education (DepEd) – District Supervisor – Member
9. Representative from the Local Water District or Service Provider – Member
10. Barangay Captains (or duly designated representatives) from all component barangays – Members
11. Two (2) representatives from Accredited NGOs/POs/CSOs engaged in environment or water-related advocacy – Members



12. One (1) representative from the business/private sector – Member

13. One (1) representative from the academe, if available – Member

The MENRO shall also serve as the Secretariat of the Committee. Maaprub ini nga ordinansa, ini nga committee ititindog nga pangungunahan han aton Mayor ngan hadton akon mga gin-mention

**B. Duties and Responsibilities.**

The MWQMC shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

1. Formulate and recommend municipal policies and action plans on water quality management;
2. Coordinate with national agencies and local stakeholders in implementing water quality programs;
3. Monitor and evaluate the water quality of rivers, streams, coastal waters, and other water bodies within the municipality.
4. Recommend enforcement actions and penalties against violators of water quality standards;
5. Promote environmental education, awareness, and participation of barangays and communities;
6. Assist in project development and mobilization of resources for water quality management;
7. Submit regular reports and recommendations to the Sangguniang Bayan and the Office of the Mayor.

**SECTION 7. Management of Non-attainment Areas.** - The Local Government Unit shall identify and declare any river, creek, coastal area, or other water body where pollution levels are above the allowed standards as a non-attainment area. In these areas, the LGU shall, not allow new pollution sources unless pollution from existing sources is reduced, allow discharges of naturally occurring pollutants (like boron or minerals from geothermal areas) only if they, do not exceed the natural level in the area, do not harm public health, water supply, or the environment. The Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO), in coordination with DENR, DOH, DA, NWRB, and other agencies, shall, prepare a program to clean and improve water quality in these areas, work to upgrade the water for its intended use.

The LGU shall also prepare emergency plans to protect affected communities, which may include, providing safe water, issuing health advisories, relocating residents if needed. Regular monitoring and reports shall be done to track improvements and ensure community safety.

**SECTION 8. Sewerage and Septage Management Program.** The Local Government Unit in coordination with the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) and other concerned agencies, shall support and implement a Sewerage and Septage Management Program to help improve water quality and public sanitation. As part of this program, the LGU shall identify and prioritize areas that need sewerage or septage treatment facilities based on factors such as population, pollution level, and available land. Allocate land for the construction of treatment facilities, including providing road access or right-of-way, as needed. Support the rehabilitation of old or non-functioning septic systems or treatment facilities in the area. Explore funding sources to help cover the cost of operations and maintenance of these facilities, including, local property taxes, service fees from households and establishments using the facility. The Municipal Engineering Office and Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office shall work together to help implement and monitor the program.

**SECTION 9. Domestic Sewage Collection, Treatment, and Disposal.** Within five (5) years from the effectivity of this Ordinance, the Capoocan Water Service Provider if applicable, or any agency or concessionaire responsible for sewerage and sanitation services, in coordination with the LGU shall ensure that all the following establishments are connected to an available sewerage system, if present, subdivisions, commercial establishments, public markets, hospitals and clinics, hotels and resorts, schools and public buildings, industrial or manufacturing areas, and households located near the sewer lines. Such connections shall be subject to sewerage service fees or charges in line with existing national or local regulations unless the establishment or household already has its own approved sewage treatment system. In areas without centralized sewerage systems, the LGU, in partnership with DPWH, DOH, DENR, MEO and other agencies, shall implement a septage management system or a combined sewerage-septage system, depending on the area's needs and capacity.

The Municipal Health Office, in coordination with other agencies, shall issue guidelines and standards for safe and sanitary collection, treatment, and disposal of sewage. Design and operation of centralized

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1 *sewage treatment facilities. The Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO),*  
2 *Municipal Health Office (MHO) and Municipal Engineering Office thru Building Official Designate shall*  
3 *oversee local implementation, ensure compliance, and support public awareness on proper sewage and*  
4 *septage management.*

5 **SECTION 10. Municipal Water Quality Management Fund.** *A Municipal Water Quality Management*  
6 *Fund is hereby established and shall be managed by the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Capoocan, in*  
7 *coordination with concerned offices. The fund shall be used exclusively for the following purposes:*

- 8 a) *Support cleanup and containment operations in cases of water pollution;*  
9 b) *Fund the restoration and rehabilitation of affected water bodies and ecosystems;*  
0 c) *Assist in enforcement, research, and regular monitoring of water quality;*  
1 d) *Provide technical support to concerned municipal departments;*  
2 e) *Offer incentives or rewards for environmental compliance and innovation;*  
3 f) *Conduct community information, education, and awareness campaigns;*  
4 g) *Cover other related expenses necessary for the prevention and control of water pollution in the*  
5 *municipality.*

6 *Sources of the fund may include:*

- 7 • *Fines or penalties collected from violators of this ordinance.*  
8 • *Proceeds from permits and environmental charges.*  
9 • *Donations, grants, or endowments from public or private sectors, which shall be free from donor's*  
0 *tax and other charges.*

1 *All disbursements shall follow standard government accounting and budgeting procedures.*

2 **SECTION 11. Water Quality Variance for Energy and Resource Exploration Projects.** *The Local*  
3 *Government Unit may allow limited exceptions or variances to water quality standards for projects related*  
4 *to geothermal, wind, oil, or gas exploration, provided that. For geothermal projects facing re-injection*  
5 *constraints, the LGU may consider adjusted water quality standards only if there are proper safeguards to*  
6 *protect the beneficial use of water bodies downstream of the project site. Similar variance may be applied to*  
7 *oil and gas exploration projects, if approved or recommended by the Department of Environment and*  
8 *Natural Resources (DENR) or concerned national agencies. Any approval of variance must not endanger*  
9 *public health or the environment, be based on technical justification, include monitoring and mitigation*  
0 *measures, be coordinated with the DENR, DOE, and other relevant agencies. The Municipal Environment*  
1 *and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) shall evaluate such proposals and ensure that the protection of*  
2 *water quality and community welfare remains a top priority.*

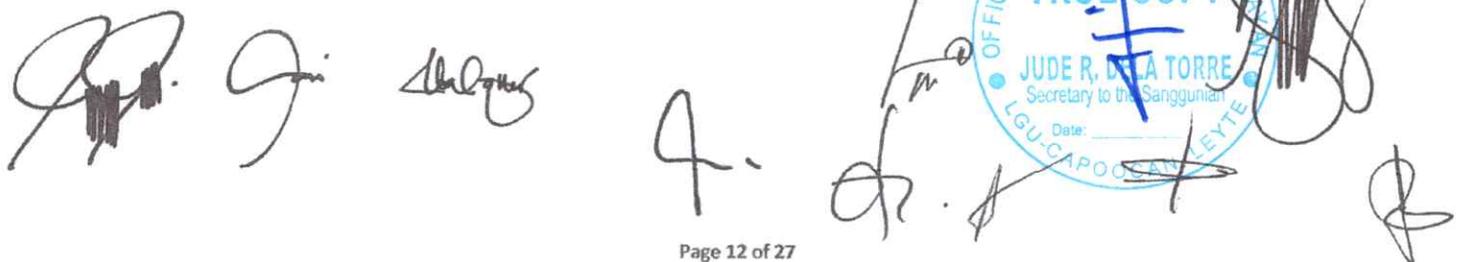
3 **SECTION 12. Classification of Industry Sectors.** *Within twenty-four (24) months from the effectivity*  
4 *of this Ordinance, and every two (2) years thereafter, the LGU shall identify and update the list of industry*  
5 *sectors operating within the municipality. This list shall serve as the basis for setting local effluent standards*  
6 *for each type of industry, depending on the type and volume of their wastewater. The classification and*  
7 *updates shall be made through public consultations with relevant stakeholders including businesses,*  
8 *environmental agencies, and the community. Effluent standards shall be established for major wastewater*  
9 *pollutants specific to each industry type, in coordination with national regulations and agencies.*

0 *The LGU with the recommendation of DENR shall provide additional classification based on other*  
1 *parameters specifically associated to discharge of a particular industry which shall be included in the listing*  
2 *of categories prescribed in the preceding paragraph.*

3 **Article 2**

4 **WATER POLLUTION PERMITS AND CHARGES**

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1           **SECTION 13. Local Wastewater Discharge Permits.** All owners or operators of facilities that  
2 discharge wastewater into any water body within the territorial boundary of the municipality shall be  
3 required to secure a Local Wastewater Discharge Permit from the LGU.

4 This permit shall serve as the legal authorization for discharging wastewater and shall include the following  
5 details:

- 6       • **Quantity and quality** of wastewater allowed to be discharged
- 7       • **Effluent limits** based on local and national standards
- 8       • **Location of discharge**
- 9       • **Schedule of compliance**
- 0       • **Monitoring and reporting requirements**

1 The LGU shall:

- 2       • Encourage the use of **waste reduction and pollution control technologies**
- 3       • Coordinate with **DENR-EMB** for technical standards and compliance
- 4       • Ensure that the total wastewater load in rivers, creeks, and coastal waters stays **within safe limits**
- 5       • **Allocate discharge quotas** fairly to various industries and establishments

6 Facilities without a discharge permit shall be given **12 months** from the effectivity of this ordinance to  
7 comply.

8 Effluent trading **may be allowed** within designated water management areas upon approval by the LGU and  
9 relevant agencies.

### Article 3

#### FINANCIAL LIABILITY MECHANISM

1           **SECTION 14. Environmental Guarantee for Project Rehabilitation.** All programs and projects that  
2 may pose significant environmental risks within the municipality shall be required to provide a form of  
3 financial guarantee to ensure funds are available for environmental rehabilitation, in line with the  
4 Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) issued by the DENR. This guarantee—known as the  
5 Environmental Guarantee Fund (EGF)—shall be used for, rehabilitation of damaged ecosystems, emergency  
6 clean-up and environmental response, restoration of affected areas even after the project has ended, within  
7 the period stated in the ECC. The EGF may be in the form of, trust fund, environmental insurance, surety  
8 bond, letter of credit, other financial instruments accepted by the DENR. Project proponents shall present  
9 proof of securing such guaranteed instruments, which will be reviewed by the Municipal Environment and  
0 Natural Resources Office (MENRO) in coordination with the DENR.

1           **SECTION 15. Clean-Up Operations.** - Notwithstanding the provisions of Sec.14 and 24 hereof, any  
2 person who causes pollution in or pollutes water bodies in excess of the applicable and prevailing standards  
3 shall be responsible to contain, remove and clean-up any pollution incident at his own expense to the extent  
4 that the same water bodies have been rendered unfit for utilization and beneficial use: Provided, That in the  
5 event emergency clean-up operations are necessary and the polluter fails to immediately undertake the  
6 same, the lgu, in coordination with other government agencies concerned, shall conduct containment,  
7 removal and clean-up operations. Expenses incurred in said operations shall be reimbursed by the persons  
8 found to have caused such pollution upon proper administrative determination in accordance with this  
9 Ordinance. Reimbursements of the cost incurred shall be made to the Municipal Water Quality Management  
0 Fund or to such other funds where said disbursements were sourced.

1           **SECTION 16. Programmatic Environmental Impact Assessment.** - The LGU shall implement  
2 programmatic compliance with the environmental impact assessment system, as in the following types of  
3 development:  
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- 5       (a) development consisting of a series of similar projects, or a project subdivided into several phases  
6       and/or stages whether situated in a contiguous area or geographically dispersed; and
- 7       (b) development consisting of several components, or a cluster of projects co-located in an area such as  
8       an industrial estate, an export processing zone, or a development zone identified in a local land use



1 plan. Programmatic compliance with the environmental impact assessment system shall be guided  
2 by carrying capacity assessments determined from ecological profiles. Ecological profiles shall  
3 identify environmental constraints and opportunities in programmatic areas. Programmatic  
4 assessment shall also take into account cumulative impacts and risks.

5 Consistent with the provisions of the Local Government Code, the LGU may enter into agreement  
6 with DENR to incorporate programmatic environmental impact assessment into the preparation, updating  
7 or revision of local land use plans and area development plans.

### CHAPTER 3 INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISM

2 SECTION 17. Role of the Local Government Unit (LGU). **The LGU shall take the lead in managing and  
3 improving water quality within its jurisdiction. The LGU, through the Municipal Environment and Natural  
4 Resources Office (MENRO), shall implement this Ordinance and ensure compliance by all sectors.**

5 The LGU shall have the following functions and responsibilities:

- 6 a. Enforce and update water quality policies and local effluent standards, in coordination with the DENR and  
7 other agencies;
- 8 b. Identify and classify sources of water pollution (both point and non-point) every two (2) years;
- 9 c. Classify water bodies (e.g., rivers, streams, creeks) according to their use (e.g., for drinking, irrigation,  
0 recreation) and update such classifications as needed;
- 1 d. Monitor pollution levels and recommend measures to prevent, reduce, or stop water pollution;
- 2 e. Require businesses to use proper wastewater treatment systems and promote environmentally-sound  
3 practices;
- 4 f. Conduct regular inspections and monitoring of water quality and wastewater discharges;
- 5 g. Report annually to the Sangguniang Bayan on the status of local water bodies and recommend actions or  
6 legislation as needed;
- 7 h. Coordinate emergency response to water-related incidents (e.g., spills, contamination);
- 8 i. Lead information campaigns to raise awareness about the effects of water pollution and the importance  
9 of clean water;
- 0 j. Impose penalties and sanctions against individuals or businesses found violating this Ordinance;
- 1 k. Participate in the preparation and implementation of the Water Quality Management Action Plan;
- 2 l. Coordinate with national agencies, civil society groups, and stakeholders in all water quality protection  
3 and rehabilitation efforts.

4 SECTION 18. **Business and Industry Role in Environmental Management.** - The LGU in coordination  
5 with the appropriate government agencies, and in consultation with the business and industrial sectors  
6 including commerce, shall formulate appropriate incentives for the adoption procedures that will preserve  
7 and protect our water bodies through the introduction of innovative equipment and processes that reduce  
8 if eliminate discharge of pollutants into our water bodies.

0 SECTION 19. **Linkage Mechanism.** The LGU, through its Municipal Environment and Natural  
1 Resources Office (MENRO), shall coordinate and enter partnerships with concerned government agencies,  
2 industries, and other sectors to ensure the effective implementation of this Ordinance.

3 The LGU shall work in close coordination with the following:

- 4 a. **Philippine Coast Guard**, in cooperation with BFAR and DENR, for the monitoring and enforcement of  
5 water quality standards in marine and coastal waters;
- 6 b. **Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)** and other local water utilities or service providers,  
7 for the provision and maintenance of sewerage and sanitation systems;
- 8 c. **Department of Agriculture (DA)** and BFAR, for the management and control of pollution from agricultural  
9 and aquaculture activities, including the safe reuse of wastewater for irrigation;



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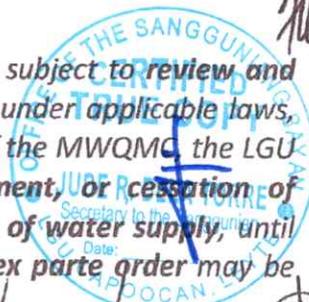
**CHAPTER 5**  
**CIVIL LIABILITY/PENAL PROVISIONS**

**SECTION 24. Prohibited Acts.** - The following acts are hereby prohibited:

- a) Discharging, depositing or causing to be deposited material of any kind directly or indirectly into the water bodies or along the margins of any surface water, where, the same shall be liable to be washed into such surface water, either by tide action or by storm, floods or otherwise, which could cause water pollution or impede natural flow in the water body;
- b) Discharging, injecting, or allowing to seep into the soil or sub-soil any substance in any form that would pollute groundwater. In the case of geothermal projects, and subject to the approval of the DENR, regulated discharge for short-term activities (e.g. well testing, flushing, commissioning, venting) and deep re-injection of geothermal liquids may be allowed: Provided, That safety measures are adopted to prevent the contamination of the groundwater;
- c) Operating facilities that discharge regulated water pollutants without the valid required permits or after the permit was revoked for any violation of any condition therein;
- d) Disposal of potentially infectious medical waste into sea water by vessels unless the health or safety of individuals on board the vessel is threatened by a great and imminent peril;
- e) Unauthorized transport or dumping into sea waters of sewage sludge or solid waste as defined under Republic Act No.9003;
- f) Transport, dumping or discharge of prohibited chemicals, substances or pollutants listed under Republic Act No.6969;
- g) Operate facilities that discharge or allow to seep, willfully or through gross negligence, prohibited chemicals, substances or pollutants listed under R. A. No. 6969 into water bodies or wherein the same shall be liable to be washed into such surface, ground, coastal, and marine water;
- h) Undertaking Activities or development and expansion of projects, or operating wastewater/sewerage facilities in violation of Presidential Decree. No.1586 and its implementing rules, and regulations;
- i) Discharging regulated water pollutants without the valid required discharge permit pursuant to this Ordinance or after the permit was revoked for any violation of condition therein;
- j) Refusal to allow entry, inspection and monitoring by the LGU in accordance with this Ordinance;
- k) Refusal to allow access by the LGU to relevant reports and records in accordance with this Ordinance;
- l) Refusal or failure to submit reports whenever required by the LGU in accordance with this Ordinance;
- m) Refusal or failure to designate pollution control officers whenever required by, the LGU in accordance with this Ordinance; and
- n) Directly using booster pumps in the distribution system or tampering with the water supply in such a way as to alter or impair the water quality.

**SECTION 25. Fines, Damages, and Penalties.** – Unless otherwise specifically provided, any person who violates any of the prohibited acts stated in the immediately preceding Section or any other provision of this Ordinance or its implementing rules and regulations shall be fined **Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P2,500.00)** for each offense, upon the recommendation of the Municipal Water Quality Management Committee, subject to due process.

To maintain the deterrent effect of these penalties, the amount of fine may be subject to review and adjustment every two (2) years, not exceeding the maximum amount allowed under applicable laws, and subject to the approval of the Sangguniang Bayan. Upon recommendation of the MWQMC, the LGU may order the temporary closure, suspension of construction or development, or cessation of operations of any facility in violation of this Ordinance, including disconnection of water supply, until such time that full compliance and environmental safeguards are in place. An ex parte order may be





1 Hon. Misagal: Madame Chair, before we adjourn, I would like to pass a **RESOLUTION OF**  
2 **EXPRESSING DEEP SYMPATHY AND CONDOLENCES TO THE BEREAVED FAMILY OF THE LATE**  
3 **REYNALDO ASTORGA DE LA TORRE, FORMER SANGGUNIANG BAYAN MEMBER OF THE**  
4 **MUNICIPALITY OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE.**

5 The motion of Honorable Misagal was unanimously seconded, and was thereby declared approved  
7 by the Honorable Presiding Officer.

3 Hon. Misagal: Madame Chair, I would like to pass a **RESOLUTION OF EXPRESSING DEEP**  
4 **SYMPATHY AND CONDOLENCES TO THE BEREAVED FAMILY OF THE LATE JESUS B. MISAGAL,**  
5 **JR., FORMER MUNICIPAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR OF THE MUNICIPALITY**  
6 **OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE.**

7 The motion of Honorable Misagal was unanimously seconded, and was thereby declared approved  
8 by the Honorable Presiding Officer.

### ADJOURNMENT

1 Hon. Nidera: Madame Chairman, if there are no more matters and concerns to be discussed, I move  
2 to adjourn the session.

3 The motion of Honorable Nidera was seconded by Honorable Balquin, without any objection from the  
4 August Body and was thereby declared approved by the Honorable Presiding Officer.

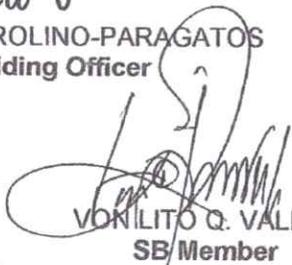
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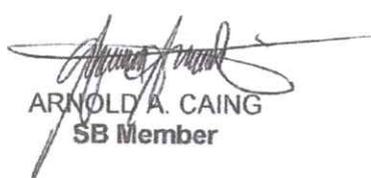
  
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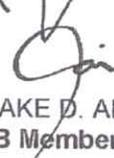
  
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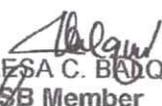
  
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Secretary to the Sanggunian  
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# CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT COPIES OF **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 9, Series of 2025**, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE LOCAL WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE PURSUANT TO RA 9275 (CLEAN WATER ACT), AND PRESCRIBING MEASURES FOR THE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF WATER BODIES", WERE POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS IN THE MUNICIPALITY:

1. **Capoocan Municipal Hall Bulletin Board**  
Municipal Lobby
2. **Pinamopoan Fish Port**  
Barangay Pinamopoan, Capoocan, Leyte
3. **Waiting Shed**  
Barangay Balud, Capoocan, Leyte
4. **Waiting Shed**  
Market Place, Poblacion Zone II, Capoocan, Leyte

This certifies further that notice of public hearing were also sent to the different barangays of the Municipality of Capoocan, Leyte for proper and effective information dissemination.

Done this 3<sup>rd</sup> Day of February 2026.

  
JUDE F. DELA TORRE  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

Noted by:

  
ATTY. FE CLAIRE P. CAROLINO-PARAGATOS  
Municipal Vice-Mayor



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# CERTIFICATION

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This is to certify that a Public Hearing was conducted last **December 2, 2025** at the **Capoocan Multi-Purpose Sports Center** regarding MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 9, Series of 2025, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE LOCAL WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE PURSUANT TO RA 9275 (CLEAN WATER ACT), AND PRESCRIBING MEASURES FOR THE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF WATER BODIES".

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Municipal Vice-Mayor



# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING



DECEMBER 2, 2025 | 9:00A.M. | LGU CAPOOCAN SPORTS CENTER

## MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 26, SERIES OF 2024

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 9-REGISTRATION OF FISHING VESSELS, OF MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 8 SERIES OF 2023, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS, "THE MUNICIPAL FISHERY ORDINANCE OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE."

## MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 8, SERIES OF 2025

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 276 SERIES OF 2012, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE MOTORCYCLE HELMET ORDINANCE OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFORE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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## MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 10, SERIES OF 2025

"AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING SAFETY MEASURES IN GASOLINE STATIONS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAPOOCAN AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF."

## MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 11, SERIES OF 2025

"AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE DISPENSING, SELLING AND RESELLING OF DRUGS AND OTHER PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS IN SARI-SARI STORES AND OTHER SIMILAR RETAIL OUTLETS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAPOOCAN, LEYTE."

## MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 24, SERIES OF 2025

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE TEMPORARY ANNUAL CLOSURE OF FLORES STREET, POBLACION ZONE I, CAPOOCAN, LEYTE, IN OBSERVANCE OF THE ANNUAL TOWN FIESTA, ANNUAL TOWN'S FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY AND CHRISTMAS SEASON.

