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2nd INDORSEMENT
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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 26-04 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Inopacan, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 26-04 entitled: **“Motorpot Franchising and Regulatory Ordinance of the Municipality of Inopacan, Leyte.”**

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office opines that the subject Ordinance is, in general, within the legislative authority of the Sangguniang Bayan under Section 447(a)(3)(vi)¹ 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 (vi) Subject to the guidelines prescribed by the Department of Transportation and Communications, regulate the operation of tricycles and other vehicles and grant franchises for the operation thereof within the territorial jurisdiction of the municipality;

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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Ordinance No. 26-04** of the **Municipality of Inopacan, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance granting franchise for the operation of motorized pedicabs, locally known as "motorpot" in the Municipality of Inopacan, Leyte, regulating its operation, and providing penalties for violation thereof, and for other purposes.**


FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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16TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

13 April 2026

Honorable Leonardo Javier Jr.
Vice Governor/Presiding Officer
Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte
Provincial Government Complex
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Ms. Florinda Jill S. Uyvico
Secretary to the Sanggunian
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Honorable Javier Jr.:

Forwarding herewith 1 original copy and 13 photocopies of **Ordinance No. 26-04** of the 16th Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Inopacan, Province of Leyte, entitled **"AN ORDINANCE GRANTING FRANCHISE FOR THE OPERATION OF MOTORIZED PEDICABS, LOCALLY KNOWN AS "MOTORPOT", IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF INOPACAN, LEYTE; REGULATING ITS OPERATION, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"**, for consideration by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte.

Attached herewith are the Certificate of Posting, Certificate of Public Hearing, Minutes and Attendance Sheet of the Public Hearing, *for reference*.

Sincerely,


MINERVA M. BISNAR, MPA
Temporary Secretary to the Sanggunian



(Ordinance no. 26-04 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Inopacan, Leyte dated April 6, 2026 continued)

SECTION 6. QUALIFICATIONS AND APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS.

Applicants for a franchise shall submit the following:

- a) Duly accomplished application form;
- b) Proof of ownership or lawful authority to use the vehicle;
- c) Valid LTO Certificate of Registration (CR) and Official Receipt (OR), with corresponding Motor Vehicle Inspection System Report (MVISR).
- d) Barangay clearance;
- e) Police clearance;
- f) Valid driver's license with appropriate restriction; and
- g) Proof of payment of prescribed municipal fees.

SECTION 7. Routes, Areas of Operation, and Fare Rates.

a) Motorized pedicabs shall operate only within routes and areas officially designated by the Municipality. Operation along national highways and other prohibited roads is prohibited, except for crossings or feeder routes expressly authorized by the Municipality. Any deviation from authorized routes shall constitute a violation of this Ordinance.

b) The authorized fare rates for motorized pedicabs are as follows:

	Fare (₱)
Poblacion Proper (Minimum)	10.00
Poblacion – Tinago	10.00
Poblacion – Kobkob	15.00
Poblacion – Cemetery	15.00
Poblacion – Taon-Taon (Cor. Mangga, Maloy-a)	15.00
Poblacion – Taon-Taon (Riverside)	15.00
Poblacion – Lawis	15.00
Poblacion – New RHU Tinago	15.00
Tabu-an – Taon-Taon	15.00
Poblacion – Bliss	10.00
Poblacion – Linao (Pakals Apartment)	20.00
Poblacion – Mangga Chapel (Tres de Mayo)	20.00
Poblacion – Maloy-a Lower	20.00
Poblacion – Maloy-a Tagaytay	30.00

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Inopacan, Leyte that:

SECTION 1. TITLE.

This Ordinance shall be known as the "Motorpot Franchising and Regulatory Ordinance of the Municipality of Inopacan."

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.

It is hereby declared the policy of the Municipality of Inopacan to regulate the operation of motorized pedicabs for hire in order to promote public safety and order, ensure efficient and accessible local transportation, protect passengers and operators, and uphold the general welfare of the riding public.

SECTION 3. LEGAL BASIS AND AUTHORITY.

This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to and in accordance with:

- A. Section 447 (3) (vi) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, particularly:
- B. Republic Act No. 4136, AN ACT TO COMPILE THE LAWS RELATIVE TO LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC RULES, TO CREATE A LAND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES
- C. Applicable Rules and Regulations
All rules, regulations, circulars, and memoranda issued by national government agencies, including but not limited to:

- 1. Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG):
 - a. DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2018-155 (Guidelines on Local Traffic Management)
 - b. DILG MC 2020-036 and MC 2023-195 on tricycle and pedicab operations and local route plans
 - c. DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2012-89 (Local Government Transport Policies)
- 2. Land Transportation Office (LTO):
 - a. LTO MC No. 2019-021 (Motorcycle and Sidecar Registration Guidelines)
 - b. LTO Memorandum Circulars AVT-2015-1969 and AVT-2015-1911 on classification and registration of three-wheeled vehicles

SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS.

For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

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a. Motorized Pedicab

Locally known as a Motorpot, refers to a motorcycle, whether manual, semi-automatic, or automatic scooter, to which a sidecar is permanently attached, designed to carry passengers or goods, and operating only within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Inopacan.

This includes motorcycles similar to automatic transmission (AT) scooters, underbones, or other light motorcycle that meet the technical and safety requirements set by this Ordinance.

b. Motorcycle

Two-wheeled motor vehicle, including AT (automatic transmission) scooters, under bones, and small motorcycles not exceeding 200 kg dry weight, used as the main power unit of a motorized pedicab.

c. Sidecar

A rigid, non-detachable, single-wheel or dual-wheel attachment designed to carry passengers or cargo.

d. Franchise

A permit issued by the Municipality authorizing the operation of a motorized pedicab on designated routes.

e. Operator / Driver

The registered owner of the unit / the person driving the pedicab.

SECTION 5. FRANCHISING AUTHORITY AND ITS FUNCTION.

There is hereby created a Motorized Pedicab Franchising Committee (MPFB) composed of the following:

- a. Municipal Mayor – Chairperson
- b. Sangguniang Bayan Committee Chair on Transportation – Vice Chairperson
- c. Municipal Legal Officer – Member
- d. Chief of Police – Member
- e. Municipal Treasurer – Member
- f. Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator (MPDC) or duly designated transport planner – Member

The MPFB shall have the following powers and functions:

- a. Issue, renew, suspend, or revoke motorized pedicab franchises;
- b. Approve and regulate routes and areas of operation;
- c. Conduct inspections and ensure compliance with safety standards;
- d. Impose administrative sanctions for violations of this Ordinance; and
- e. Recommend policy and regulatory improvements to the Sangguniang Bayan.



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	Fare (P)
Poblacion – Tinago Pabahay	30.00
Students / Senior Citizens / PWDs	10.00

c) The Sangguniang Bayan may revise fare rates and authorized routes by ordinance, based on public convenience and prevailing conditions.

(Note: Sections 7 and 8 have been consolidated. The fare matrix is based on Ordinance No. 24-15.)

SECTION 8. PASSENGER CAPACITY.

A motorize pedicab authorized to operate within the Municipality shall be designed and operated to carry a maximum of two (2) passengers, excluding the driver. Any violation of this provision shall be subject to the penalties provided under Section 13 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 9. SAFETY AND VEHICLE STANDARDS.

All motorized pedicabs shall:

- a) Be maintained in roadworthy and safe operating condition;
- b) Display clearly the plate number, body number, and franchise sticker;
- c) Be equipped with functional headlights, taillights, signal lights, brakes, horn, and reflectors; and
- d) Be kept clean and sanitary at all times.

SECTION 10. DUTIES AND CONDUCT OF DRIVERS.

Drivers shall:

- a. Carry their driver's license and municipal identification while on duty;
- b. Observe traffic laws and municipal ordinances;
- c. Treat passengers with courtesy and respect;
- d. Refrain from operating under the influence of alcohol or prohibited drugs; and
- e. Maintain proper decorum while operating the motorized pedicab.
- f. An approved fare matrix shall be conspicuously posted inside every motorized pedicab.

SECTION 11. FEES AND CHARGES.

The following fees and charges are hereby imposed and fixed under this Ordinance:

- a. Application Fee for New Motorized Pedicab Franchise
P300.00 per unit
- b. Annual Franchise Fee (Renewal)



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₱500.00 per unit per year

c. Vehicle Inspection Fee

₱200.00 per inspection

d. Body Number and Franchise Sticker Fee

₱150.00 per unit

e. Driver's Municipal Identification Card Fee

₱100.00 per driver

All amounts collected shall accrue to the General Fund of the Municipality of Inopacan. The Sangguniang Bayan may, as may be necessary, revise or adjust the foregoing fees through an amendatory ordinance.

SECTION 12. PROHIBITED ACTS.

It shall be unlawful to:

- a) Operate without a valid franchise or with an expired permit;
- b) Transfer, lease, or sell a franchise without prior municipal approval;
- c) Overload passengers or cargo;
- d) Operate outside authorized routes;
- e) Engage in reckless or dangerous driving.
- f) Overcharging or refusal to honor approved fares.
- g) Unauthorized alteration of sidecar
- h) Excessive noise (modified open mufflers)
- i) Carrying passengers in excess of the prescribed capacity.

SECTION 13. PENALTIES.

Violations of this Ordinance shall be penalized within the limits prescribed by the Municipal Revenue Code, without prejudice to other remedies provided by law.

A. Regular Violations

- a) First Offense
 - Reprimand
- b) Second Offense
 - Fine of ₱500.00, and
 - Suspension of franchise for seven (7) days
- c) Third Offense
 - Fine of ₱1,000.00, and
 - Revocation of franchise and disqualification from re-application for one (1) year

B. Grave and Revenue-Related Violations

The following violations shall be penalized in accordance with the upper limits authorized by the Municipal Revenue Code:

- a. Operating Without a Franchise or With an Expired Franchise
 - Fine of ₱2,500.00, and



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- Immediate impoundment of the unit
- b. Unauthorized Sale, Lease, or Transfer of Franchise
 - Fine of ₱2,000.00, and
 - Automatic revocation of franchise
- c. Reckless Driving or Acts Endangering Public Safety
 - Fine of ₱2,000.00, and
 - Suspension of franchise for fifteen (15) days
- d. Overloading of Passengers and operating outside the approved routes
 - Fine of ₱1,000.00
- e. Overcharging or Refusal to Honor Approved Fare Rates
 - Fine of ₱1,000.00

C. IMPOUNDMENT FEES AND RELEASE

Impoundment, storage, and release of motorized pedicabs shall be governed by the impoundment and storage fee schedule provided in the Municipal Revenue Code, as amended.

SECTION 14. ENFORCEMENT.

This Ordinance shall be enforced by the Municipal Traffic Enforcement Unit, in coordination with the Office of the Municipal Mayor and the Philippine National Police.

SECTION 15. REPEALING CLAUSE.

All ordinances, resolutions, rules, and regulations inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 16. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.

If any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 17. EFFECTIVITY.

This Ordinance shall take effect after compliance with the publication and posting requirements under the Local Government Code of 1991.

ENACTED this 6th day of April, 2026 at SB Session Hall, Municipality of Inopacan.



(Ordinance no. 26-04 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Inopacan, Leyte dated April 6, 2026 continued)

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

Narcis Lean N. Montajes
NARCIS LEAN N. MONTAJES
Temporary Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

Lourdes B. Villas
HON. LOURDES B. VILLAS
SB Member
Temporary Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

Azucena P. Mirambel
HON. AZUCENA P. MIRAMBEL, MD, FPOGS
Municipal Mayor

Date 04/13/2026

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CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY those copies of **Ordinance No. 26-04** of the 16th Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Inopacan, Province of Leyte, entitled, **“AN ORDINANCE GRANTING FRANCHISE FOR THE OPERATION OF MOTORIZED PEDICABS, LOCALLY KNOWN AS “MOTORPOT”, IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF INOPACAN, LEYTE; REGULATING ITS OPERATION, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”**, has been posted in the bulletin board in the municipal hall/building and in conspicuous places of this Municipality and will be posted as well in all the Barangay Halls of this Municipality.

This Certification is being made to facilitate consideration of the above-mentioned Municipal Ordinance by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte.

Done this **13th** day of **April 2026**, at Inopacan, Leyte.


MINERVA M. BISNAR, MPA
Temporary Secretary to the Sanggunian



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CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that on March 16, 2026, a public hearing had been conducted on the proposed Ordinance of the 16th Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Inopacan, Province of Leyte, entitled, **“AN ORDINANCE GRANTING FRANCHISE FOR THE OPERATION OF MOTORIZED PEDICABS, LOCALLY KNOWN AS “MOTORPOT”, IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF INOPACAN, LEYTE; REGULATING ITS OPERATION, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”**

This Certification is being made to facilitate consideration of the aforementioned Municipal Ordinance by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte.

Done this 13th day of April 2026, at Inopacan, Leyte.

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MINERVA M. BISNAR, MPA
Temporary Secretary to the Sanggunian



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MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PROPOSED MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES OF THE 16TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF INOPACAN, LEYTE HELD ON MARCH 16, 2026 AT THE SB SESSION HALL, NEW TOWN HALL, INOPACAN, LEYTE

1 **PRESENT: (Please see attached Attendance Sheet, also attached are the lists**
2 **of personalities invited)**

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4 The proposed Ordinances submitted for public hearing are as follows:
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6 **“An Ordinance Granting Franchise for the Operation of Motorized**
7 **Pedicabs, Locally Known as “MOTORPOT,” in the Municipality of**
8 **Inopacan, Leyte; Regulating its Operation, and Providing Penalties for**
9 **Violation Thereof; and for Other Purposes”**

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11 **“An Ordinance Repealing Municipal Ordinance No. 24-11 Otherwise**
12 **Known as the “Moratorium Ordinance in the Granting of Permit for**
13 **Trisikad, Ecotrike and E-Bike with Sidecar” of the Municipality of**
14 **Inopacan, Leyte”**

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16 The public hearing started at 1:50 in the afternoon with an opening prayer
17 which was immediately followed by the singing of the national anthem synchronized
18 with the computer audio.
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20 The Master of Ceremony (MC), Mr. Narcis Lean N. Montajes, SB Staff, after
21 welcoming and thanked all the participants for their presence and for taking part in
22 the legislation process and mentioned the titles of the proposed ordinances,
23 acknowledged the Sangguniang Bayan Members present, spearheaded by the
24 Municipal Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer, Honorable Sanders C. Lumarda; namely:
25 Honorable Rowena K. Madrazo, Honorable Sheila L. Po, Honorable Lourdes B.
26 Villas, Honorable Edna L. Ceniza, Honorable Andrew B. Dedal, and Honorable
27 Edmund D. Bayhonan. He as well acknowledged the Municipal Administrator – Engr.
28 Ymber Cecilia Malanguis, the BPLO representative, the PNP, the Presidents of
29 INPODA, IMPODA and ITODA.
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31 The MC welcomes the Municipal Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer, Honorable
32 Sanders C. Lumarda for his Introduction.
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34 Honorable Lumarda, after his greetings to all the participants and his
35 colleagues, thanked everyone for attending the public hearing. Part of his message
36 was an explanation regarding the draft ordinances crafted by Honorable Bayhonan,
37 in which, one (1) is new, granting franchise for motorized pedicabs (motorpot) while
38 the other one is regarding the lifting up of the moratorium ordinance. That the two (2)
39 draft ordinances will be tackled synchronically, considering that the participants
40 involve are the same. He is hoping that with the ordinances crafted by the SB
41 spearheaded by Honorable Bayhonan will bring benefit and peace to everyone. The
42 reason also that all concerned were invited, not just the officers, as it has been
43 observed that during the public hearing, while inside the hall, everyone seemed to
44 agree, and complaints will be aired outside, after the hearing. He explained further
45 the importance of all the members involved to hear out the entirety of the ordinance,
46 as well as to voice out their sentiments about it. He as well enjoined everybody for
47 any suggestions, for the progress of this legislative pursuit. On the other hand,
48 everyone may suggest for any correction whenever there is a provision in the crafted
49 ordinance which seemed not beneficial to all. He encouraged every participant to be
50 open minded, understand, and voice out to be heard, so that when everyone leaves
51 the hall, they are all in agreement. Finally, Honorable Lumarda explained that as far
52 as transpo is concerned, given the number of organizations and members,



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53 sometimes, routes overlapped. He is emphasizing “respect” with each other, for
54 peaceful operations. He also understands that everyone wants to earn for a
55 living/income, however, it is not practical enough if the effort to earn will result to
56 conflict. He recalled the scenarios in the previous years, when the transport groups
57 have already come back here to the SB a lot of times, due to some conflicts with the
58 other group/s. And to him, it is rooted from the absence of respect to each other. He
59 highlighted that even with the ordinance that serves as legal guide and policy
60 reference, even with the presence of the PNP, still seemed useless, without that
61 respect within each other. Taken into consideration the competition, the Presiding
62 Officer encourages everyone to raise their queries, suggest if they have something
63 to add up, so that everything is clear and everybody would agree and understand
64 the purpose of crafting the aforementioned ordinances and rest assured that the
65 author of such ordinances is ready to answer/respond those concerns, if any. As
66 everyone agreed, the Presiding Officer thanked once again and gave the floor to the
67 author, Honorable Bayhonan.

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69 Honorable Bayhonan, the author of the two (2) proposed ordinances, after his
70 greetings to all, gave a brief overview regarding the above-captioned Measures.
71 That this public hearing is hereby conducted to hear out some ideas from the people
72 of Inopacan. With the two (2) ordinances, he opted discussing first the motorpot
73 ordinance, after the confirmation that everybody is being furnished copies of the
74 same, one in “Cebuano/bisaya” version. He expressed to discuss first the entirety of
75 the proposed ordinance, to be followed by an open forum, for the participants to air
76 out their ideas and sentiments.

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78 **“An Ordinance Granting Franchise for the Operation of Motorized Pedicabs,**
79 **Locally Known as “MOTORPOT,” in the Municipality of Inopacan, Leyte;**
80 **Regulating its Operation, and Providing Penalties for Violation Thereof;**
81 **and for Other Purposes”**
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83 As Honorable Bayhonan discussed the entirety of the above-captioned
84 Measure in Cebuano/bisaya dialect, the following were highlighted, among others:

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86 Section 3 – Legal basis: he emphasized that motorcycle is considered as
87 private vehicle and is governed by the LTO, while the franchise will then be issued
88 by the LGU, which one of the requirements is the proof of LTO registration. He
89 mentioned that those motorcycles with sidecar upon registration is classified as L5
90 while L2 for motorcycle alone. And that with this proposed ordinance, motorpots
91 shall register to LTO their units with side car. Without the said proof, then they are
92 still considered as illegal motorpot operators.

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94 Section 4 – Definition of Terms:

- 95 a. Motorized Pedicab - Honorable Bayhonan explained further that
96 provided the motorpots be duly issued a franchise, however, they’re
97 operating outside the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of
98 Inopacan, then it’s the risk of the operators/drivers and the LGU is
99 not accountable for that case, just like the case, and if ever, they
100 will be apprehended by the HPG, and or captured operating on the
101 high way, as motorpots are not allowed to operate on the high way.
102 d. Franchise - Honorable Bayhonan emphasized the designated routes
103 and correlates it with showing “respect” to each colleague.
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105 Section 5 – Franchising Authority and its Function:

106 Honorable Bayhonan reiterates the Motorized Pedicab Franchising
107 Committee (MPFB)’s functions, which, one is inspection and he
108 explained it further. He cited an unfavorable accident, as what he has



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109 heard. One of the reasons that he initiates to regulate the motorpots.
110 Among others, he mentioned also about racial, insurance, passengers
111 safety, unexpected accidents, durability of the vehicle units and
112 competition.

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114 Section 7 – Routes, Areas of Operation, and Fare Rates:

115 Honorable Bayhonan reiterates that motorpots are not allowed to
116 operate along the highways, except for crossings or feeder routes
117 expressly authorized by the Municipality. Any deviation from authorized
118 routes shall constitute a violation of this Ordinance. He as well
119 highlighted those complaints regarding the collection of fares beyond
120 the fare matrix. Said per matrix be displayed at the vehicle unit.

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122 Section 8 – Passenger Capacity:

123 A motorize pedicab authorized to operate within the Municipality shall
124 be designed and operated to carry a maximum of two (2) passengers,
125 excluding the driver. As to the question that goes, “What if the mother
126 is with a child?” Honorable Bayhonan replied that the question will be
127 answered during the open forum.

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129 Section 9 – Safety and vehicle standards:

130 Honorable Bayhonan include the discussion that the drivers must drive
131 clean and without any unfavorable odor.

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133 Section 10 – Duties and Conduct of Drivers:

134 Honorable Bayhonan expounds the discussion which some drivers
135 pick and choose their passengers.

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137 Section 12 – Prohibited Acts:

138 Honorable Bayhonan explained further the unauthorized alteration of
139 sidecar, among others.

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141 After the discussion of the entire proposed ordinance. The floor has been
142 opened for the open forum. The MC requested everyone to introduce first before
143 raising their queries, questions, suggestions and recommendations for
144 documentation purposes.

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146 A participant raised that there is no penalty provision for those who deviate
147 from authorized routes. Honorable Bayhonan replied that it will be added in the
148 proposed ordinance with a penalty of Php1,000.00. He encourage those who
149 witness the same to document the scenario (take pictures) of the violators, be
150 reported to the LGU so that the violator/s will then be called up.

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152 Mr. Jijimar Manabat, President, ITODA, expressed that he is into the
153 proposed ordinance considering everyone wants to earn an income. He also
154 understands that they might be legalized, however, it will take time, given the
155 requirements such as the driver’s license, and secondly, the unit registration under
156 LTO. He expounds it further. He as well agree to the idea that motorpots are not
157 allowed in highways. However, some or their routes are along the highways (Tinago,
158 kobkob, Mangga Tao-Taon, among others). They even reached in Jubasan,
159 Conalum and other routes along the highways, which supposedly, the routes of the
160 tricycles. And that penalty should be strictly implemented if they violate this
161 Ordinance. Those are just small details that has to be fixed. As to his question, when
162 the motorpots will start their operation, Honorable Bayhonan replied, upon the
163 approval of this ordinance. That after this public hearing, the Body will study
164 regarding their suggestions, finalization, enactment then approval. Mr. Jijimar



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165 Manabat remarks that if so, as of the moment they are not allowed to operate.
166 Honorable Bayhonan remarks that they are given consideration as of the time being.
167 And he advised them to start processing their registration with the LTO, while the
168 ordinance is on process. He reiterates that once the ordinance is duly approved and
169 they violate the same, then there is a corresponding penalty for any violation. He
170 expounds further regarding how an ordinance is crafted. He as well differentiates the
171 power/authority between the LGU and the LTO, in relation to the operation of
172 electronic vehicles. He added that he hasn't craft yet an Ordinance for racals and he
173 presented the reason/s. Views and opinions were aired.

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175 Honorable Dedal encourage everyone to voice out as there is a crossfire
176 along their routes. He explained it further.

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178 Mr. Rodulfo Morera raised his concern as tricycles direct their passengers to
179 Tinago for instance. When they supposedly dropped them off at the terminal. So that
180 passengers like the students, ride a motorpot going to their schools. Mr. Jijimar
181 Manabat, President, ITODA, replied that it has been their routine since their route is
182 to Inopacan. He added that is that will be the case, then the students would surely
183 complain as their fare expense would be doubled. He also explained that the
184 tricycles operates ahead them and that they (motorpots) even operate even without
185 the franchise yet. Another tricycle driver manifested that they are just doing the same
186 as the passenger they dropped off at the new RHU. Views and opinions were aired
187 as it has been mentioned that the racal is not governed yet by an ordinance.

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189 Mr. Joel Degracia, driver, ITODA (pedicab), raised his concern to those
190 motorpots that line up at Aura store, and their passengers are even taken straight
191 onto the highway barangays (Maljo, Guadalupe, Jubasan, among others), which is
192 supposedly, the passengers of the tricycles.

193 Honorable Bayhonan summed it up as the main concern is overlapping of the
194 routes. He elaborates that at this time, he crafted this ordinance for the motoports as
195 he found legal basis for the same, unlike the racals. As sentiments were aired,
196 Honorable Bayhonan assured the participants that all their concerns are well-noted
197 for further study of the SB.

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199 Honorable Villas manifested that some means Inopacan as Poblacion, while
200 Tinago is still – Inopacan. She expounds it further.

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202 Mr. Edmundo Bayhonan (Dongkoy) manifested for an increase in the tariff
203 rates/fare matrix considering the income cannot be sustained because of the
204 gasoline's high price. Honorable Bayhonan informed them that he had a talk with the
205 INPODA's President and accordingly, the association will have their meeting this
206 upcoming Saturday. He explained regarding probationary increase in the fare matrix,
207 not permanent in the sense that the when the economy recovers, the regular fare
208 rates will then be back as well. To this, he discussed that whenever the association
209 comes up with any resolutions after the meeting, it will be better to send a request to
210 the SB for probationary consideration.

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212 Mr. Angelito Macadini asked and at the same time informed everyone that
213 since they are prohibited standing by while waiting for passengers nearby Aura's
214 store, then where are they supposed to line up. If so, they preferred that the parking
215 area for the motorpots is separate from the racals, be it in IPA School, market or
216 highway. Honorable Bayhonan replied that since there is no ordinance yet for the
217 racals, it could be better if everyone shares for the parking space/area.



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218 Mr. Rodulfo Morera manifested to show respect with each other and to take
219 into consideration as well that member of the INPODA as they are, they are
220 considered as legal, so he requested for understanding to those who are not
221 legalized yet to abide with the agreement particularly the time when they are not
222 allowed to operate as well as in connection with the designated parking area/space
223 (IPA and Talisay).

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225 Mr. Ramil Pigte opened up that they are supposed to operate and park at
226 nearby IPA's parking area at 5:00 in the afternoon, however, they aren't allowed for
227 the reason that they are "kolorum". Mr. Rodulfo Morera replied that it is their
228 (motorpots) designated parking area. Honorable Villas remarks that whenever the
229 motorpots have their franchise, then they will be allowed at the aforementioned
230 designated parking areas. Honorable Bayhonan remarks that they have to wait when
231 it's ready and when they're ready considering it is still immature at this period of
232 time. That if everything becomes legal, then everything will be okay.

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234 Honorable Villas explained to all participants that they could suggests and
235 express their views and sentiments regarding the ordinance and since this is a
236 public hearing. Which means that all the suggestions are not yet final, instead, all will
237 be noted and will be reviewed and studied by the SB during the plenary. Whichever
238 is applicable, will be adopted then.

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240 Mr. Sergio Morata, racial operator, asked if the designated parking areas
241 which the motorpots claimed it's theirs, if it is private or public. The Chair/Presiding
242 Officer explained that it is public area, hence, it is open for anyone. It's just that, only
243 those legal operators/drivers have the privilege to utilize the same. So, those
244 motorpots that do not have the franchise yet, have no rights to park at the terminal.
245 Therefore, by the time they will be legalized (provided with the franchise based on
246 the ordinance), then they have already the rights to park at the terminal and operate
247 within, in accordance to the ordinance. On the other hand, despite not legalized yet,
248 they are still given consideration, reason to be thankful for. The participants then
249 thanked the Municipal Vice Mayor.

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251 Finally, Honorable Bayhonan advised the participants to start processing the
252 necessary credentials for their franchise while the ordinance is also on process. He
253 asked everyone regarding their sentiments about the ordinance and majority replied
254 the ordinance is okay.

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256 **"An Ordinance Repealing Municipal Ordinance No. 24-11 Otherwise Known as the**
257 **"Moratorium Ordinance in the Granting of Permit for Trisikad, Ecotrike and E-**
258 **Bike with Sidecar" of the Municipality of Inopacan, Leyte"**

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260 The MC gave the floor to the Author of the above-captioned Ordinance.
261 Honorable Edmund D. Bayhonan, Author, after confirming that each participant
262 already had their copies of the proposed Ordinance, discussed the entirety of the
263 same, in details, in Cebuano version, with the following highlights:

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265 Section 1 – Short Title:
266 Honorable Bayhonan discussed that the above-captioned ordinance
267 once approved, the moratorium will be lifted.

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269 Section 2 – Continuation of Regulatory Authority:
270 The Municipality of Inopacan shall continue to regulate trisikad, ecotrike, e-
271 bike with sidecar, and similar units through appropriate regulatory measures
272 consistent with public safety, traffic management, and public convenience.



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Honorable Bayhonan discussed further the phrase “similar units through appropriate regulatory measures consistent with public safety, traffic management, and public convenience”. He explained that four (4) wheels are included once legalized. That moratorium means that new units are no longer allowed to obtain permits. But once this Ordinance be approved, said moratorium ordinance is lifted, hence, the new ones may acquire permits.

After the discussion of the above-captioned ordinance, Honorable Po encouraged everyone to voice out their sentiments.

Mr. Jeremias Langhe asked if as of the moment, they can still operate. Honorable Bayhonan replied that they are given consideration while the ordinance is on process. So upon approval of said ordinance, apprehension will then start for those who do not comply with the permits/franchise. He expounds it further as those legalized already were given the privilege by the Mayor, hence, given the designated parking area. Hence, everyone is encourage to understand.

Finally, Honorable Bayhonan asked everyone regarding their sentiments about the ordinance and majority replied the ordinance is okay. Then he thanked everyone.

As the MC asked if everything is clear. Majority answered yes. He turned over the floor to Honorable Villas for the closing Remarks.

Honorable Villas thanked everyone for their presence with the hope that everyone really understands everything, so there’ll be no conflict. Anyways, if there are some queries, they may approach the LGU.

Since there being no other queries and questions, the public hearing ended/adjourned at 3:10 in the afternoon. The MC and the August Body thanked all the participants for their presence.

I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE CORRECTNESS OF THE FOREGOING:


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SB Member


HON. EDMUND D. BAYHONAN
SB Member



16th Sangguniang Bayan

Public Hearing

1. "AN ORDINANCE GRANTING FRANCHISE FOR THE OPERATION OF MOTORIZED PEDICABS, LOCALLY KNOWN AS "MOTORPOT," IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF INOPACAN, LEYTE; REGULATING ITS OPERATION, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"


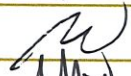

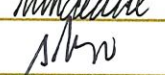
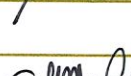
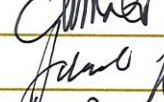
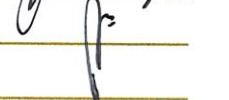

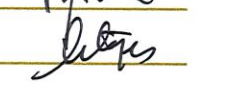
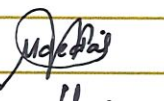


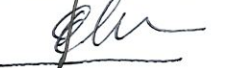



2. "AN ORDINANCE REPEALING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 24-11 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "MORATORIUM ORDINANCE IN THE GRANTING OF PERMIT FOR TRISIKAD, ECOTRIKE AND E-BIKE WITH SIDECAR" OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF INOPACAN, LEYTE"

Date: March 16, 2026
Place: SB Session Hall
Time: 01:00 P.M.

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3. Olympio Hecan		LINAO	POTPOT DRIVER	
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9. Ricky MATINAO		TINAGO	RACAL	
10. ANGELO MACODINI		TAO-TAON	MOTORPOT	
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12. Ruel Sonia		Tinago	RACAL	
13. Reynaldo Dedace		Tinago	RACAL	
14. Constancio Parba		TINAGO	RACAL	
15. Edmundo Bayhoran Jr.		TINAGO	RACAL	
16. Renato Lumba		Taon-taon	RACAL	
17. Ramil Peghi		Poblacion	Motripot	
18. Rodolfo Morera		TINAGO	RACAL	
19. ORGE CAYANON		TAO-TAON	RACAL	
20. ERLINDA MORALES		TAO-TAON	RACAL	
21. Janyl Amadoriz		Tao Taon	Racal	
22. GERONIMO TORRES		tinago	Racal	
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29. Ramon Batema		Clave	MOTORPOT	
30. Pedro Camacho		Conalum	MOTORPOT	
31. DOMINGO JIMATONG		MAJAO	M.P.	
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39. SHAWN CUBIAN		MAJAO	M.P.	
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41. Anthony Abengia		Poblacion	RACAL	
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47. Lindo C. MERAÑO		Tinago	Motor POT	
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50. Wilson Sabellano		Tahud		
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59. ALEX XGRAVENTE		TAON TAON	RACAL	
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