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2nd INDORSEMENT
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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 2026-034 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Carigara, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 2026-034 entitled: “Tabo Ha Carigara Ordinance”

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office is of the opinion that the subject Ordinance is generally in accordance with its power under Section 447(5)(iv)¹ and Section 447(3)(i)². Hence, we recommend 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 (i) Fix and impose reasonable fees and charges for all services rendered by the municipal government to private persons or entities;

² (iv) Regulate the preparation and sale of meat, poultry, fish, vegetables, fruits, fresh dairy products, and other foodstuffs for public consumption;


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1ST INDORSEMENT
10 June 2026

By: 
Date: 6.10.26 Time: 2PM

The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 2026-034** of the **Municipality of Carigara, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance institutionalizing the "Tabo Ha Carigara" in the Municipality of Carigara, Province of Leyte and providing funds thereof.**


FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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June 08, 2026

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Date: JUN 09 2026
By: *Jenny*

Respectfully forwarded to the Honorable Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, thru the Provincial Board Secretary, Florinda Jill S. Uyvico, the herein **Municipal Ordinance No. 2025-034** –“*An Ordinance Institutionalizing the “Tabo Ha Carigara” in the Municipality of Carigara, Province of Leyte and Providing Funds Thereof.*”

For your perusal and appropriate action.


RACHELYN A. SILVESTRE-CABALLES
MGDH – I (Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan)



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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES/JOURNAL OF THE 43RD REGULAR SESSION OF THE 20TH COUNCIL OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF CARIGARA HELD AT THE SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, CARIGARA, LEYTE, ON APRIL 27, 2026

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PRESENT:

- Hon. Jimmy A. Camposano----- Mun. Vice Mayor-Pres. Officer
- Hon. Fernando N. Moriel -----SB Member
- Hon. Vilma M. Domus -----SB Member
- Hon. Mildred C. Modesto -----SB Member
- Hon. Carlo Angelo B. Go -----SB Member
- Hon. Myla L. Aguilar -----SB Member
- Hon. Guillermo I. Panal -----SB Member
- Hon. Arvin. N. Urmeneta -----SB Member-LnB President
- Hon. Daniel N. Ariaso, Jr.-----SB Member-SK Fed. Pres.

ABSENT:

- Hon. Ulpiano U. Arpon Jr. -----SB Member – Sick Leave
- Hon. Joenlee C. Larraga -----SB Member – Sick Leave

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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2026- 034

AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE “TABO HA CARIGARA” IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CARIGARA, PROVINCE OF LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF

HON. MILDRED C. MODESTO
Principal Author

WHEREAS, it has been the tradition that market day also known as “TABO” shall be held which, in the case of the Municipality of Carigara, every Wednesday of the week. However, there is no existing ordinance that



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established regulations of the said TABO, which would provide orderly assignment of places in our market for the vendors and prescribing fees thereof;

WHEREAS, Section 44 (a)(2)(vi) of the local Government Code states that the Sangguniang Bayan shall “Prescribe reasonable limits and restraints on the use of property within the jurisdiction of the municipality.” In conjunction thereto, Section 47 (a)(5)(ii) states that the Sangguniang Bayan shall “(ii) Establish markets, slaughterhouse, or animal corrals and authorize the operation thereof, and regulate the construction and operation of private markets talipapa or similar building and structures.”;

WHEREAS, there is a need to institutionalize the “TABO” in the Municipality of Carigara to provide an orderly and regulated venue for local farmers and vendors to sell and dispose of their respective farm produce, goods, and livestock within the public market;

WHEREAS, the institutionalization of the same shall likewise spur economic activities in this agro-based municipality and generate additional revenue for the Local Government of Carigara, Leyte.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sanggunian, in session assembled, that:

ARTICLE I. GENERAL POLICY

SECTION 1. **DECLARATION OF POLICY.** The policy embodied in this ordinance is to develop the market day, or “Tabo” as an instrument of public service for the promotion of general



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welfare and the protection of the health of the people, as well as a means of generating revenue for development projects and activities. It shall also provide farmers with an avenue to market and sell their farm produce, live animals and other farm goods.

ARTICLE II. TITLE, SCOPE AND APPLICATION

SECTION 2A. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the “TABO HA CARIGARA” in the Province of Leyte.

SECTION 2B. SCOPE AND APPLICATION. This ordinance shall govern the administration and operation of the tabo market and the collection and accounting of all fees, charges, and other related impositions under the Revenue Code of this Municipality.

SECTION 2C. DEFINITION OF TERMS WHEN USED IN THIS ORDINANCE.

- a. **Ambulant/Transient or Itinerant** – refers to vendors who sell their merchandise without occupying a definite or permanent place or stall in the market, and who come to sell goods either daily or occasionally by sitting or moving from place to place within the market premises.
- b. **Bagsakan** - refers to an open area that serves as a landing area for goods in bulk delivered by farmers or producers for wholesale purposes.
- c. **Cereals**- refers to rice, corn and other marketable and consumable

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grains.

- d. **Extensions’ area-** refers to an area utilized by the stall or space holder for the display of goods or services to customers beyond the original area covered by the lease.
- e. **Local Market Authorities** - refer to the Municipal Mayor, the duly appointed Market Administrator or Supervisor, the Municipal Treasurer, or any other municipal officer in charge of the management of the day-to-day operations of the public market and/or specific aspects of such operations.
- f. **Market Premise-** refers to any space in the market compound, including bare ground not occupied by market buildings.
- g. **Public Market-** refers to any space, building, or structure of any kind owned and/or operated by the Municipality of Carigara, constructed for the purpose of providing spaces and/or stalls where goods of any kind and services may be sold or offered.
- h. **Peddler** – refers to a person who, either for himself or on commission, travels from one place to another and sells goods or offers them for sale and delivery.
- i. **Rental Fee-** means a charge fixed by law or agency in the form of money or otherwise, for the use or enjoyment of a thing.
- j. **Striker-** refers to a seller who sells merchandise or produce directly on the ground.

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- k. **Support Facilities** – refer to service areas provided to support the operations of the market, including the bagsakan, waste collection station, poultry dressing area, ice and cold storage rooms, toilets, parking area, slaughterhouse, and trading posts.
- l. **Tabo Stalls**- refer to any specified and assigned area or booth in the tabo area where merchandise is sold or offered.
- m. **Vendor**- refers to a person who sells goods, commodities, or foodstuff.

ARTICLE III BASIC POLICIES, REGULATIONS AND SANITATION

SECTION 3. SITE – The site or location of the tabo area shall be determined by the Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator (MPDC). It shall not be far from the public market and shall have adequate parking space within the vicinity to prevent traffic congestion.

SECTION 4. CLEANLINESS AND SANITATION – The market and its premises must always be kept in a clean and sanitary condition to safeguard the health and safety of the buying public, as well as the stall owners, vendors, and market personnel. Facilities for sanitation and maintenance, such as cleaning materials and garbage or trash containers, shall be provided.

SECTION 5. SANITATION UNIT – Adequate personnel shall be provided to ensure the efficient maintenance of cleanliness and sanitation within the premises of the tabo area.

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Individual stall owners or vendors shall keep and maintain their stalls or areas in a clean and sanitary condition at all times. They shall likewise be responsible for the cleanliness of the passageways, alleys, canals, or spaces immediately in front of, behind, or beside their respective stalls or areas. In cooperation with the local market authorities and personnel, market vendors and stall owners shall be responsible for the general cleanliness and sanitation of the tabo-an and its premises.

SECTION 6. SIGNS AND SIGNAGES – Signs and signages shall be placed in conspicuous places stating: “**NO LITTERING,**” “**KEEP CLEAN,**” and “**USE OUR GARBAGE CANS.**” This is to remind and warn vendors and buyers that violation thereof is punishable by law.

SECTION 7. GARBAGE RECEPTACLES/GARBAGE BINS – Adequate number of garbage receptacles and bins shall be placed in strategic locations for the proper disposal of garbage and rubbish by buyers, ambulant vendors, and market personnel. Likewise, stall owners and vendors shall be required to provide their own individual garbage receptacles or bins. All garbage receptacles or bins must be covered and fly-and rat-proof to prevent them from becoming breeding places for flies, rats, mosquitoes, and other insects, as well as to prevent access by stray animals such as cats and dogs.

SECTION 8. DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE – It shall be the responsibility of individual stall owners and vendors to dispose of their garbage at the end of the day by placing it in the receptacle referred to in Section 7 hereof. However, the disposal of

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garbage from the buying public, ambulant vendors, and market personnel shall be the responsibility of the local market authorities. The dumping area for disposed garbage shall be located in a convenient place where garbage collectors or trucks have access for collection. Solid waste from each stallholder shall be transferred to the central dumping area to facilitate efficient solid waste management.

SECTION 9. TIME FOR COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE – All garbage and rubbish from the tabo shall be collected and disposed of according to an appropriate schedule to be determined by the local market authorities.

SECTION 10. MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS – All meat and meat products shall be inspected in accordance with existing laws.

SECTION 11. SALE OF MARINE PRODUCTS – Only fresh, live, and wholesale fish and marine products, or those that are dried, salted, smoked, or fermented and safe for consumption, shall be sold. Fish and other marine products caught in unsafe zones or contaminated areas, as determined by the Department of Health (DOH) in coordination with the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), shall be condemned and shall not be allowed for sale.

SECTION 12. PROTECTION FROM CONTAMINATION AND PRESERVATION OF FOOD – All foods which required no further cooking shall be wrapped, covered or enclosed in containers to preserve their freshness and prevent

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contamination.

SECTION 13. APPLICABILITY OF CODE ON SANITATION – All provisions of the Code on Sanitation shall, whenever applicable, be observed by and enforced upon public markets and all establishments therein and their respective personnel

ARTICLE IV. DAY OF TABO

SECTION 14. TABO DAY – The “tabo day” shall be held every Wednesday of each week, starting at four o’clock (4:00 AM) in the morning and ending at five o’clock (5:00 PM) in the afternoon of the same day. This tabo day shall be open to other municipalities, merchants, and others as provided in Article II, Section 2C (a).

In keeping with tradition, there shall also be a tabo every Sunday, preferably for Kalgaran-on farmers and fisherfolks who wish to sell their products with minimal or, if possible, no market fees, provided that the fish are their own catch or the goods are harvested from their own farm or backyard.

This initiative aims to encourage local farmers and fisherfolk to become more productive and motivated as partners in improving the agricultural economy of the municipality.

ARTICLE V. SERVICE AREA/FACILITIES

SECTION 15. SECURITY UNIT – The Municipality shall provide adequate security for the protection of consumers and traders

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within the market area and its vicinity.

SECTION 16. PARKING SPACES – Ample parking spaces shall be provided within the vicinity of the public market. The Municipality shall charge parking fees as provided in the Traffic Ordinance.

SECTION 17. WEIGHING SCALES – The Municipality shall provide weighing scales for the use of consumers to safeguard them against short weighing of commodities such as rice, fish, meat, vegetables, etc. They shall be located at strategic points within the public market area.

SECTION 18. LOCATION OF MERCHANTS/SELLERS – There shall be specific designated areas for merchants or sellers depending on the products being sold during tabo, such as vegetables, fruits, plants, and flowers in one area; salted and dried fish in another; dry goods in another; and root crops in a separate area. This arrangement is intended to facilitate easier access for buyers. Market authorities shall also install signboards indicating each area or location.

ARTICLE VI. COLLECTION OF FEES

SECTION 19. TABO FEES – The Municipality shall collect fees for the rental of spaces occupied by tabo vendors for the use of any part of the government-owned public market or tabo premises. Fees to be collected per tabo vendor shall be on a per square meter basis per day at Fifteen Pesos (Php 15.00).

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SECTION 20. PAYMENT OF FEES – Payment of rental fees for stalls in the tabo shall be made through the Office of the Municipal Treasurer or its duly designated collectors, who shall issue official cash tickets to the vendors upon payment. All collections shall thereafter be remitted to the Municipal Treasurer for proper recording and accounting.

ARTICLE VII. USAGE AND PROVISIONS OF FUNDS

SECTION 21. PROVISIONS OF FUNDS - The Local Government of Carigara, Leyte shall appropriate the amount of Fifty Thousand Pesos (₱50,000.00) from the Twenty Percent (20%) Economic Development Fund (EDF) for garbage receptacles and signages needed within the tabo perimeter.


SECTION 22. FUNDS COLLECTED – Funds derived or collected from the tabo shall accrue to the Municipality’s General Fund.

ARTICLE VIII. FINAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 23. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - If for any reason or reasons, any part or provisions of this ordinance shall be found invalid or not in accordance to the constitution, other parts found shall be in full force and effect.

SECTION 24. REPEALING CLAUSE - Ordinances that are in conflict or inconsistent with the provision of this ordinance are hereby modified or repealed accordingly.

SECTION 25. EFFECTIVITY – This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30)

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days after its approval and compliance with posting requirements under Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, and shall also be posted in at least three (3) conspicuous places within the Municipality of Carigara, Leyte.

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY this 27th day of April 2026 at the Sangguniang Bayan Session Hall, Carigara, Leyte

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a true and accurate copy of the ordinance duly enacted by the Sanggunian on 27 April 2026.


PAULINO T. MARQUEZ
Legal Assistant I
OIC-Secretary to the Sanggunia

Attested:



JIMMY A. CAMPOSANO
Municipal Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer

Concurred:


FERNANDO N. MORIEL
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Approved:

EDUARDO T. ONG, JR.
Municipal Mayor

Date Approved:

06/08/2026



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CERTIFICATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that **Municipal Ordinance No. 2025-034** –“*An Ordinance Institutionalizing the “Tabo Ha Carigara” in the Municipality of Carigara, Province of Leyte and Providing Funds Thereof*”, was posted last, June 08, 2026 in accordance with R.A. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

ISSUED this 8th day of June, 2026.


RACHELYN A. SILVESTRE-CABALLES
MGDH – I (Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan)