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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 5 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Matalom, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 5 entitled: "An Ordinance to amending Sections 4, 5, and 7 of Pasidungog sa Barangay Ordinance of 2025 etc...,"

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office opines that the subject Ordinance is, in general, within the legislative authority of the Sangguniang Bayan to repeal/amend its prior acts either expressly or by the passage of an essentially inconsistent resolution¹. 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 (Constantino vs. Desierto, 288 SCRA 654) April 13, 1998

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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 05, series of 2026 of the Municipality of Matalom, Leyte, entitled: An Ordinance amending Sections 4, 5, and 7 of the "Pasidungog Sa Barangay Ordinance of 2025" of the Municipality of Matalom, Leyte, to provide flexibility in awards, expand the Technical Working Group, and adjust the schedule of the awarding ceremony.**


FLORINDA J. SUYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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June 23, 2026

THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN
Leyte Provincial Government Complex
Palo, Leyte

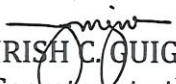
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Sangguniang Panlalawigan Secretary
Leyte Provincial Government Complex
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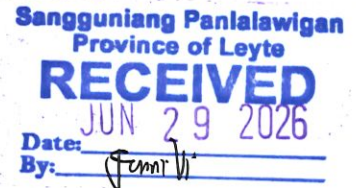
Gentlemen/Ladies:

We are respectfully forwarding to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan for review, 16 copies of Municipal Ordinance No. 05 series of 2026 of the Municipality of Matalom, Leyte, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 4, 5, AND 7 OF THE "PASIDUNGOG SA BARANGAY ORDINANCE OF 2025" OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MATALOM, LEYTE, TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY IN AWARDS, EXPAND THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP, AND ADJUST THE SCHEDULE OF THE AWARDING CEREMONY.

Kindly acknowledge receipt hereof.

Very truly yours,

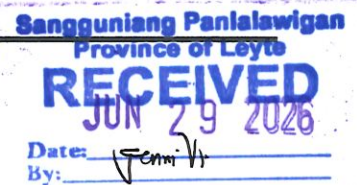

IRISH C. GUIGUE
Secretary to the Sanggunian





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**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 05
Series of 2026**



AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 4, 5, AND 7 OF THE "PASIDUNGOG SA BARANGAY ORDINANCE OF 2025" OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MATALOM, LEYTE, TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY IN AWARDS, EXPAND THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP, AND ADJUST THE SCHEDULE OF THE AWARDING CEREMONY.

Sponsored by Hon. Ricardo Meinrado D. Puda

WHEREAS, Municipal Ordinance No. 03-2025 institutionalized the Pasidungog sa Barangay Program to recognize exemplary performance of barangays in the Municipality of Matalom. In view of recent developments, particularly the revised schedule of Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections and operational considerations in program implementation, amendments were proposed to enhance the effectiveness, flexibility, and relevance of the program;

WHEREAS, there is a need to enhance the effectiveness and responsiveness of the program by allowing flexibility in the conferment of awards, strengthening the composition of the Technical Working Group (TWG), and adjusting the schedule of activities;

WHEREAS, this August Body finds that the current schedule of the awarding ceremony in November may conflict with the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections conducted every first Monday of November;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Matalom, Leyte, in session duly assembled, that:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 4. Section 4 of the same Ordinance is hereby amended by adding a provision granting flexibility to the Technical Working Group (TWG), to read as follows:

"The Technical Working Group (TWG) is hereby granted flexibility in determining the awards to be conferred, in order to allow the program to evolve and recognize emerging best practices among barangays, provided that such awards remain aligned with the objectives of good governance, effective service delivery, innovation, and compliance with existing laws and policies."

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 5 (EXPANSION OF THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP). Section 5 of the same Ordinance is hereby amended to expand the composition of the Technical Working Group (TWG), to include:

- The Municipal Administrator; and
- Members of the Sangguniang Bayan

SECTION 3. LIMITATION ON THE PARTICIPATION OF SANGGUNIANG BAYAN MEMBERS. Sangguniang Bayan Members included in the Technical Working Group shall participate in an ex officio and non-voting capacity, limited to policy guidance, monitoring, and oversight functions, and shall not take part in the actual scoring, ranking, or selection of awardees, in order to avoid any potential conflict of interest and to preserve legislative oversight.



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SECTION 4. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 7 (3). Section 7 (3) of the "Pasidungog sa Barangay Ordinance of 2025" is hereby amended to read as follows:

"The awarding ceremony shall be conducted annually in the month of May, with the period of assessment in the month of March."

The adjustment of schedule is hereby adopted to avoid conflict with the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections conducted every first Monday of November, and to ensure better weather conditions and wider participation.

The holding of PASIDUNGOG 2026 in November shall be considered a transitory arrangement, after which the regular May schedule shall apply prospectively beginning 2028.

SECTION 5. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 6. REPEALING CLAUSE. All ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval and compliance with the mandatory posting and publication requirements under Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

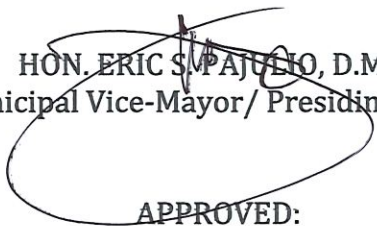
ENACTED this 4th day of May, 2026, at the Municipality of Matalom, Leyte.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A
TRUE AND ACCURATE COPY OF THE ORDINANCE DULY ENACTED BY
THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN ON MAY 4, 2026.


IRISH C. GUIGUE
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


HON. ERIC S. PAJULIO, D.M.D.
Municipal Vice-Mayor/ Presiding Officer

APPROVED:


HON. ELMIRA A. PAJULIO
Municipal Mayor
Date of Approval: 05-25-2026



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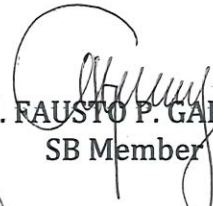

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SB Member


HON. MARIA PAMELA P. GADO
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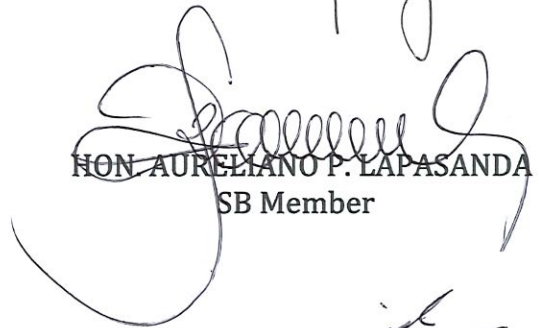

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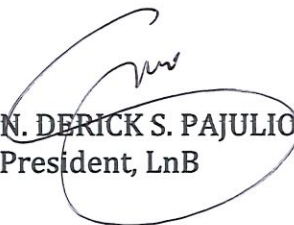

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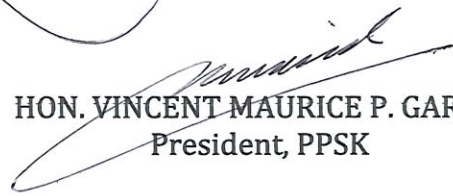

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SB Member


HON. FAUSTO P. GARIN JR.
SB Member

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HON. RONALD P. GILO
SB Member


HON. AURELIANO P. LAPASANDA
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HON. VINCENT MAURICE P. GARDE
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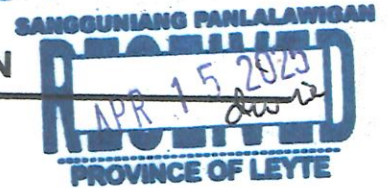


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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 03
Series of 2025



AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE "PASIDUNGOG SA BARANGAY" PROGRAM TO
RECOGNIZE AND AWARD THE BEST PERFORMING BARANGAYS IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF MATALOM, LEYTE, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Sponsored by Hon. Alfonso B. Tan

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Matalom, Leyte recognizes the vital role of barangays in the implementation of programs and projects that promote the welfare of their constituents;

WHEREAS, there is a need to promote good governance, innovation, and excellence among barangays by recognizing outstanding performance in the areas of public service, development, and community engagement;

WHEREAS, the recognition of outstanding barangays through the "Pasidungog sa Barangay" program shall serve as an incentive to encourage other barangays to improve their performance and the delivery of basic services;

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

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Pasidungog sa Barangay Ordinance of 2025."

SECTION 2. OBJECTIVES. The "Pasidungog sa Barangay" program aims to:

- a. Recognize and award the best performing barangays in various fields of governance and development;
- b. Encourage innovation, transparency, and efficiency in barangay administration;
- c. Strengthen collaboration between the local government and barangays; and
- d. Foster a culture of excellence in public service at the grassroots level.

SECTION 3. SCOPE AND COVERAGE. This Ordinance shall cover all barangays within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Matalom, Leyte.

SECTION 4. LIST OF AWARDS. The following are the list of awards:

1. Special Award
 - a. Youth Leadership Award
 - b. Special recognition for those appointed personnel who have rendered at least 15 years of continuous service
2. Minor Awards
 - a. Most Outstanding Barangay Peace and Order Committee
 - b. Most Outstanding Barangay Anti-Drug Abuse Committee
 - c. Most Outstanding Barangay Violence Against Women (VAW) Desk
 - d. Most Outstanding Barangay Development Council
 - e. Most Outstanding Barangay on Blood Donation



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- f. Most Outstanding Barangay Tanod Force
 - g. Most Outstanding Barangay Day Care
 - h. Most Outstanding Barangay Council for the Protection of Children
 - i. Most Outstanding Barangay Community Garden
 - j. Most Outstanding Clean and Green Barangay
3. Individual Awards
- a. Most Outstanding Barangay Day Care Worker
 - b. Most Outstanding Barangay Secretary
 - c. Most Outstanding Barangay Treasurer
 - d. Most Outstanding SK Chairperson
 - e. Most Outstanding Sangguniang barangay Member (per committee):
 - Peace and Order
 - Education
 - Health, Sanitation and Environment
 - Infrastructure
 - Finance
 - Agriculture
 - Social Services
 - f. Most Outstanding Punong Barangay
4. Major Awards
- a. Most Outstanding Lupong Tagapamayapa
 - b. Most Outstanding Sangguniang Kabataan
 - c. Most Outstanding Barangay Government Office
 - d. Most Outstanding Sangguniang Barangay
 - e. Seal of Good Local Governance Award (SGLGB)

SECTION 4. CRITERIA FOR SELECTION. The specific criteria/indicators for each awards shall be defined by the Technical Working Group (TWG) and will be reflected in the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR).

SECTION 5. TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG). The program shall be managed by the Technical Working Group, which shall be composed of:

1. The Municipal Mayor as Chairperson;
2. The Municipal Local Government Operations Officer as Co-Chairperson;
3. Heads of relevant local government departments or offices;
4. Representatives from accredited non-government organizations (NGOs) or civil society organizations (CSOs);
5. Representatives from the Liga ng mga Barangay;
6. Representatives from the Sangguniang Kabatan (SK) Federation.

SECTION 6. FUNCTIONS OF THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG). The TWG shall perform the following duties and functions:

1. Formulate the Implementing Rules and Regulations for this Ordinance including the development and refinement of guidelines, criteria and assessment tools that will be used in the evaluation process;



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2. Ensure effective communication and coordination between local government unit (LGU), barangay officials, and other relevant agencies involved in the assessment process;
3. Set the schedule of activities from assessment period to awarding ceremony;
4. Follow the established criteria and indicators during the on-site assessment, including the checking of barangay documents, infrastructure, equipment, vehicle/s and others, while maintaining fairness during the whole process;
5. Provide feedback to the barangays on their performance and offer recommendations to barangay leaders on how to improve governance and services;
6. Ensure that all relevant data and findings are properly documented for reporting, evaluation, and future reference;
7. Compile and consolidate the results of the assessment, ensuring clarity, accuracy, and consistency in the reporting;
8. Based on the outcomes of the assessment, the TWG may help prepare lists of recognized or awarded barangays, if applicable, and assist in the organization of recognition ceremony or public announcements;
9. Assess the overall effectiveness of the *Pasidungog sa Barangay* program in achieving its intended outcomes, identifying areas for enhancement in future cycles;
10. Perform other related functions.

SECTION 7. MECHANICS OF THE PROGRAM.

1. Nomination and Screening: All barangays are automatically included for evaluation. Initial screening shall be conducted by the Technical Working Group.
2. Validation: On-site validation shall be conducted to verify the accomplishments of all barangays.
3. Awarding: The top-performing barangays shall be awarded during a special ceremony to be held annually in the month of November.

SECTION 8. AWARDS. A Plaque of Recognition shall be given to all winning barangays.

SECTION 9. FUNDING. The Local Government Unit of Matalom shall allocate an annual budget for the implementation of "Pasidungog sa Barangay" program under the Office of the Mayor or other appropriate office.

SECTION 10. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS. The Technical Working Group (TWG) shall formulate the implementing rules and regulations (IRR) necessary to implement this Ordinance within 60 days from its approval.

SECTION 11. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions shall not be affected.

SECTION 12. REPEALING CLAUSE. All ordinances, resolutions, or parts thereof that are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 13. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval and compliance with the mandatory posting and publication requirement prescribed under R.A. 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED: March 5, 2025

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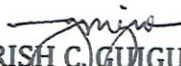


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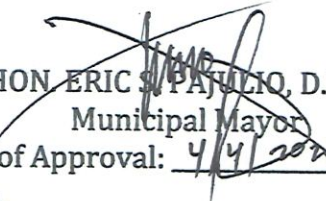
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IRISH C. GUIGUE
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

HON. AURELIANO P. LAPASANDA
SB Member/Temporary Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

HON. ERIC S. PAJULIO, D.M.D.
Municipal Mayor
Date of Approval: 4/4/2025


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CERTIFICATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that Municipal Ordinance No. 05, s. 2026 entitled, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 4, 5, AND 7 OF THE "PASIDUNGOG SA BARANGAY ORDINANCE OF 2025" OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MATALOM, LEYTE, TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY IN AWARDS, EXPAND THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP, AND ADJUST THE SCHEDULE OF THE AWARDING CEREMONY, has been posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the Municipality since June 22, 2026 and will remain posted for three (3) consecutive weeks.

This certification is issued in compliance with the pertinent provisions of the Local Government Code of 1991.

ISSUED this 22nd day of June, 2026 at Matalom, Leyte, Philippines.


IRISH C. GUIGUE
Secretary to the Sanggunian