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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 21 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Villaba, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 21 entitled: **"Fisheries Ordinance of Villaba, Leyte"**

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)(iii)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 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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¹ (iii) Authorize the establishment, maintenance and operation of ferries, wharves, and other structures, and marine and seashore or offshore activities intended to accelerate productivity;

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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 21, s. 2026** of the **Municipality of Villaba, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance providing for the sustainable development, management, utilization and conservation of the coastal and fisheries resources, otherwise known as the Fisheries Ordinance.**



FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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Thru: **LEONARDO M. JAVIER, JR**
Vice Governor/Presiding Officer

Hon. Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members:

We respectfully transmit herewith fourteen (14) original copies of:

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 21, 2026 – entitled: “AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, MANAGEMENT, UTILIZATION AND CONSERVATION OF THE COASTAL AND FISHERIES RESOURCES, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FISHERIES ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLABA,”

For your review and approval.

Best regards.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
ATTY. MC QUIRIE P. UMPAD
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

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1. Municipal Treasury Office
 2. Municipal Accounting Office
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- LGU- Villaba, Leyte



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**Authored By: Hon. Jamel O. Gonzales
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**ARTICLE I
TITLE, DECLARATION OF POLICY AND DEFINITION OF TERMS**

SECTION 1. TITLE - This ordinance shall be known as "Fisheries Ordinance of the Municipality of Villaba, Leyte

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY, It is hereby declared the fundamental policies of the Municipality of Villaba to:

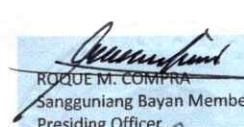
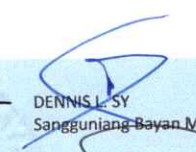
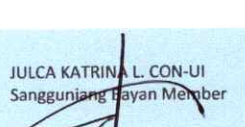
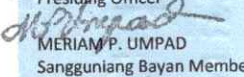
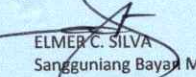
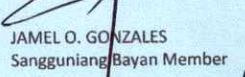
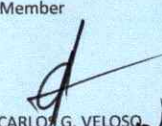
1. Advance the primary purpose of the state to achieve food security as the overriding consideration in the utilization, management, development, conservation and protection of fisheries and aquatic resources in order to serve the food needs of its population;
- 2.. Promote the effective conservation and sustainable management of coastal and marine habitats of the Municipality of Villaba using science-and-evidence based approaches, participative decision-making and co-management, and active stakeholder collaboration and engagement;
3. Protect the rights of municipal fisherfolk in the preferential use of coastal and marine resources both inland, if necessary and in municipal waters;
4. Adopt the precautionary principle and manage fishery and aquatic resources, in a manner consistent with the concept of an ecosystem-based approach to fisheries management and integrated coastal area management;
5. Ensure rational and sustainable management, development and conservation of fisheries and aquatic resources by adopting key management strategies, such as establishment and management of marine protected areas and fish sanctuaries, implementing closed fishing season, among others;
6. Provide appropriate support to its municipal fishery sector, including women, indigenous and youth sectors, through suitable post-harvest facilities and activities, adequate financial, production and links to markets, and other relevant services;

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7. Allow people's full and active participation in the sustainable development, conservation, utilization and management of the coastal and aquatic resources and promote awareness of the importance of sustainable fisheries management through appropriate education and training;
8. Ensure, for the benefit and enjoyment of the people, particularly the registered fisherfolk of Municipality of Villaba, the judicious and wise utilization, protection, conservation and management on a sustainable basis of its coastal resources with the necessity of maintaining a sound ecological balance and protecting and enhancing the quality of the environment;
9. Promote gender equality and equity in the sustainable development, management, utilization and conservation of coastal fisheries;
10. Enhance local resilience to the adverse effects of natural disasters and/or climate change, through maintaining a sound ecological balance, by adopting an ecosystems-based adaptation approach, and by protecting and enhancing the quality of the environment;
11. Ensure sustainable financing mechanisms, including sufficient budgetary support and allocation of financial and human resources to fully support protection, maintenance, administration, and regulation of coastal and fisheries resources management.

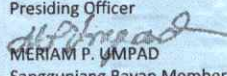
SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS.- The terms and phrases that are used in this Fisheries Ordinance that are defined under Republic Act No. 8550, as amended by Republic Act No. 10654, and in administrative rules and regulations such as the Fisheries Administrative Orders (FAOs) issued by the Department of Agriculture-Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (DA-BFAR), and by the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall hereby be adopted and shall become an integral part hereof. In addition, the following terms and phrases as used in this Ordinance, which are especially applicable to the Municipality of Villaba shall mean:

1. Adaptation refers to the adjustment in natural or human systems in response to actual or expected climatic stimuli or their effects, which moderates harm or exploits beneficial opportunities;
2. Ecosystems based adaptation refers to an approach that uses biodiversity and natural ecosystem services as part of a holistic adaptation strategy for people to adapt to the adverse effects of climate change;
3. Auxiliary invoice refers to a government document issued by the local government units (LGUS) or their duly authorized representatives prior to the transport of all fish and fishery products from their point of origin to their point of destination in the Philippines and/or export purposes upon payment of a fee to be determined by the LGUs to defray administrative costs therefore;
4. MFARMC refers to the Municipal Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Management Council as mandated to serve in an advisory capacity to the Municipality in accordance with the Philippine Fisheries Code and Fisheries Administrative Order No. 196 and FAO 196-1 by the DA-BFAR;
5. Buffer zone refers to an area delineated as transition areas to prevent encroachment into the core zones of the MPAs established by the Municipality;

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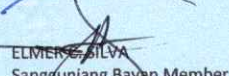
6. Carrying capacity refers to the maximum, equilibrium number of people, fishing activities and/or mariculture operations that can be supported indefinitely in a given coastal area;
7. Climate Change refers to a change in climate that can be identified by changes in the mean and/or variability of its properties and that persists for an extended period, typically decades or longer, whether due to natural variability or as a result of human activity;
8. Closed season refers to the period to be declared by the Municipality, as supported by traditional and scientific knowledge, during which the taking of specific fishery species using a specified fishing gear is prohibited in a specific area or areas within municipal waters on a specific period of time;
9. Compressor refers to a mechanical device used to store and supply compressed air used as breathing apparatus in fishing activities;
10. Docking area refers to an area designated by the Municipality where municipal fishing boats and vessels are allowed to dock;
11. Ecotourism Zone refers to the zone where ecotourism activities, such as beach resorts, dive sites, mangrove areas, coral reefs, caves, and among others, are allowed for recreational diving, sightseeing, swimming, and the like, subject to such guidelines as may be determined by the municipal government;
12. Exclusive fishery privileges -refers to license issued by the Municipality for the use of fixed structures for fishing, such as fish corrals, cages or pens built in designated zones within the municipal waters, subject to such limitations as to size, number of structures, and period of use as may be provided;
13. Fishing Gear- refers to any instrument or device and its accessories utilized in taking fish and other fishery species.
 - a. Active Fishing Gear refers to a fishing device characterized by the pursuit of the target species by towing, pushing the gears, surrounding, covering, dredging, and scaring the target species to impoundments; such as, but not limited to, trawl, purse seines, Danish seines, paaling and drift gill net;
 - b. Passive Fishing Gear refers to a fishing device that is characterized by the absence of pursuit of the target species; such as, but not limited to, hook and line, fishpots, traps and gill nets set across the path of the fish;
14. Fish aggregating device (FAD) refers to a device consisting of a floating raft made of bamboo and other materials which are anchored by a weighted line with suspended materials such as palm fronds to attract and aggregate pelagic schooling fish species;
15. Fishpond Lease Agreement refers to an agreement entered into by and between the Secretary of Agriculture and qualified fishpond applicant for the use of public land for fishpond development purposes for a period of twenty-five (25) years;
16. Fisher registration refers to the act/process of enlisting fishers for the purpose of determining priorities among them, of limiting entry into municipal waters, and of monitoring activities and/or other purposes;
17. Fishery management areas refers to a bay, lake or any other fishery area that may be delineated for fishery resource management purposes as declared by the Municipality and under Fisheries Administrative Order No. 263 s. 2019;
18. Fishing for daily food sustenance or subsistence fishing refers to the catching/taking or harvesting fish from the wild and the proceeds thereof are consumed directly by the


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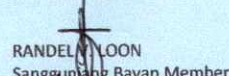
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families and kin rather than being bought by intermediaries and sold at the next larger market;

19. Gratuitous permit refers to a permit issued to marginal and subsistence municipal fishers free of any charges;

20. Municipal waters refers to streams, lakes, inland bodies of water and tidal waters within the municipality which are not included within the protected areas as defined under Republic Act No. 7586 (The NIPAS Law), as amended by RA 11038 public forest, timber lands, forest reserves or fishery reserves, but also marine waters included between two (2) lines drawn perpendicular to the general coastline from points where the boundary lines of the municipality touch the sea at low tide and a third line parallel with the general coastline including offshore islands and fifteen (15) kilometers from such coastline. Where two (2) municipalities are so situated on opposite shores that there is less than thirty (30) kilometers of marine waters between them, the third line shall be equally distant from opposite shore of the respective municipalities.

ARTICLE II DESCRIPTION OF MUNICIPAL WATERS

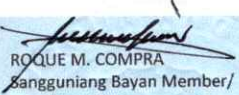
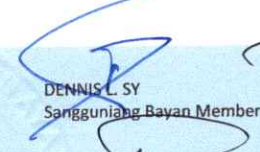
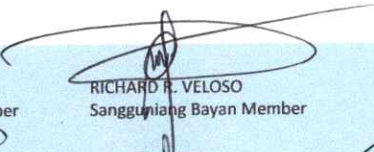
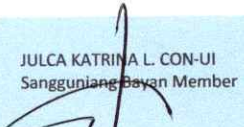
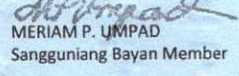
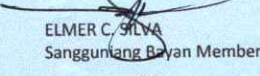
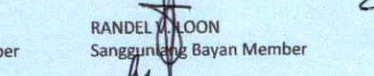
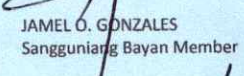
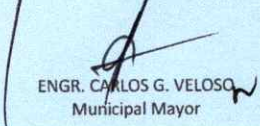
SECTION 4. JURISDICTION OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT. - The municipal government shall have jurisdiction over the municipal waters. It shall be responsible for the management, conservation, development, protection, utilization and disposition of all coastal and fishery resources within the municipal waters and water use zones. In the management of Municipal the LGU shall coordinate with the FARMC, the Fisheries Management Area Management Body of which it is a part, and the National Government to ensure that Waters of the Municipality of Villaba, the LGU shall coordinate with the FARMC, the Fisheries Area Management Body of which it is part, and the National Government to ensure that all implementation is consistent, and have taken into account the national laws and policies relevant to the management of municipal waters and shall enact corresponding ordinances and issue executive orders thereon.

All ordinances enacted and all executive orders issued by the Municipal Government within the

National Integrated and Protected Areas System (NIPAS) and the Expanded-NIPAS (E-NIPAS) shall take into account the General Management Plan (GMP) as well as the Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) guidelines, existing national and local laws, and other relevant policies and shall not endanger the sustainability of the coastal and fishery resources, or destroy its ecological balance.

Provided that all local fishery-related ordinances and management plans are guided by the resolutions and plans of the Fisheries Management Area (FMA) to which the municipality is part of.

The municipal government, in coordination with the FARMC, the Protected Area Management Office, and other concerned agencies and institutions, shall enforce all fishery and environmental laws, rules and regulations, as well as coastal and fishery resource-related ordinances enacted by the Sangguniang Bayan.

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SECTION 5. TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION OF MUNICIPAL WATERS,- The municipal waters of the Municipality of Villaba set in this ordinance shall serve as legal basis in determining the geographic extent of the municipality in the exercise of its taxation power or revenue generation, law enforcement, resource allocations, and for the sustainable management and utilization of fisheries and aquatic resources. Its municipal water is as follows:

	Point	Latitude	Longitude	Remarks
From	1	11.2400728	124.2492947	Tabango
To	2	11.2033627	124.2461135	
To	3	11.1805370	124.2477510	
To	4	11.1573538	124.2500391	
To	5	11.1313699	124.2579149	Palompon

The technical map with coordinates, location of coastal terminal points are hereby recognized, and attached hereto as Annex "A" which form an integral part of this ordinance.

SECTION 6. ZONING OF MUNICIPAL WATERS.- The municipal water of Villaba is hereby zoned following the twelve (12) coastal barangay, determined complementarily and in harmony with its Comprehensive Land and Water Use Plan (CLWUP) and the zoning ordinance as approved by the Provincial/ or Regional Land Use Plan Committee (PLUC or RLUC) or the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Human Settlement and Urban Development (DHSUD), and in consideration of climate change information as provided by risk and or vulnerability assessments, if without prejudice to additional zones that may later be identified, adjusted, or established wherein amendments in the zoning ordinance must also reflect in this ordinance. Provided, That the coastal zoning map that is formulated and generated as a result of consultation among the stakeholders and is hereby adopted and made an integral part of this any validated in the field and attached as Annex

The Municipality hereby allocates its municipal waters and coastal areas, as defined under R.A No. 8550, as amended by R.A. No. 10654, into production, protection, infrastructure and settlement Zones along with its sub-zones as appropriate based on the risk assessment, uses and conservation objectives, biodiversity protection and habitat conservation. Provided, that this is subject to further changes and additional zones as may be identified, deemed appropriate and established thereafter:

SECTION 6.1 PRODUCTION ZONES. The Municipality hereby designates areas for multiple uses, such as but not limited to fishing activities, fish traps/ cages, fish corral and


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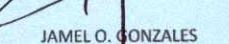

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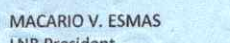

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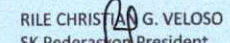

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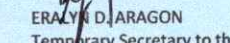

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seaweed farming, other than illegal fishing activities in accordance with the similarly declared zones in the General Management Plan or Fisheries Management Area (FMA) plan, where the municipality is part of; Provided that such zones are not designated as marine protected areas and other conservation priority areas.

SECTION 6.1.1. Fishing Grounds. It is hereby declared that the foregoing twelve (12) coastal barangay are considered to be the fishing grounds of the Municipality of Villaba.

Area 1: Barangay Libagong
Area 2: Barangay Hinabuyan
Area 3: Barangay Silad
Area 4: Barangay Suba
Area 5: Poblacion Del Norte
Area 6: Poblacion Del Sur

Area 7: Barangay Fatima
Area 8: Barangay Balite
Area 9: Barangay Bangkal
Area 10: Barangay Jordan
Area 11: Barangay Abijao
Area 12: Barangay Tagbubunga

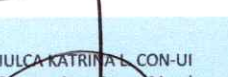
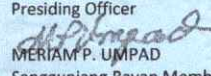
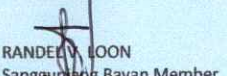
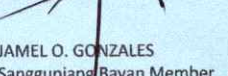
Provided that areas for the following stationary and/or passive gears and/or fishing activity shall be determined by the technical staff of the Municipal Agriculturist Office and or with the assistance from a competent individual, organization or agency:

1. Areas for Fish Corral Construction/Fish Cage
2. Areas for Fish Traps and Pots
3. Fish Aggregating Devises (nearshore payaos)
4. Fry gathering areas
5. Gleaning; and
6. Other areas deemed appropriate

SECTION 6.1.2. Policies and Regulations for Fishing Grounds. For the purpose of sustainable utilization and management of the coastal and fisheries resources within this zone, the following policies and regulations are hereby promulgated:

1. No person shall be allowed to fish in the municipal waters or operate Payaos unless he/she complies with the registration and licensing system for fishing operations and activities as specifically provided in this ordinance;
2. Only passive gears are allowed in the zone;
3. Overturning of stones, corals; using of rakes, shovel and in the like in gleaning pattern and at least is strictly prohibited.

SECTION 6.1.3. Mariculture/Aguaculture Zone/Fishpond Areas. The Municipality hereby designates areas for sustainable fishpond, mariculture and aquaculture activities, such as, seaweed farming, sea cucumber ranching, and the like, subject to such to the guideline set forth in this ordinance. These areas are zoned for the culture and/or growing of fish species and other cultivable marine organisms. Mariculture activities allowed in the zones are the following

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1. Erection and construction of fish cages and fish pens;
2. Seaweed culture: and
3. Culture of other species as may be determined by the municipality.

SECTION 6.1.4. Policies and Regulations within the Mariculture/Aquaculture Zone of the Municipality of Villaba. The MAO shall coordinate with DA-BFAR and other relevant institutions for the technical inputs of this section. For the purpose of sound and sustainable aquaculture/mariculture practices, the following policies are hereby promulgated:

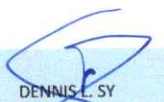
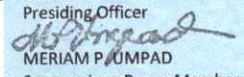
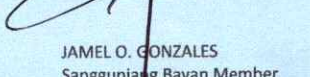
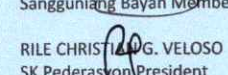
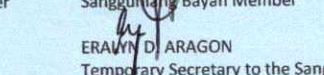
1. All aquaculture/mariculture activities shall conform and comply with the permitting and licensing system established by the municipality as defined in this ordinance;
2. A distance of meters shall be established per fish cage or fish pen concession/operator; and meters for each farm for seaweed culture for purposes of free passage and/or navigation. Provided that each operator has one fishing boat;
3. Accredited people's organization, registered fisherfolk and qualified residents of Villaba shall be given priority in the grant of permits and/or licenses for aquaculture/mariculture activities;
4. Expansion or increase in number of cages and pens beyond the area or number allowed by this Ordinance and contained in the license or permit is prohibited;
5. Expansion of fishpond areas except for those covered by the existing Fishpond Lease Agreements (FLAs) and/ or application for new fishpond lease agreement is also prohibited; and
6. Source of planting stock for seaweeds, fish fries and seed stock of other cultivable organisms should come from an accredited dealer and properly quarantined before stocking and/or reseedling of the the area.

SECTION 6.2. PROTECTION ZONE. The Municipality of Villaba in coordination with the MFARMC and other agencies and/or organizations, hereby declares Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) as part of the protection zone. This zone is identified and served for protection of critical habitats, marine species and organism(s). It includes those protected areas declared before the enactment of this ordinance and those that may later be cleared by subsequent ordinances within the following geographic coordinates:

SECTION 6.2.1. Marine Protected Area/Sanctuary

The MPA - declared under Municipal Ordinance No. 130, series of 2020 shall be found and established at the different coastal barangays of the Municipality from Barangay Abijao, Balite, Bangkal, Fatima, Hinabuyan, Jordan, Libagong, Pob Del Sur, Silad, Suba, and Tagbubunga with the following coordinates:

A.1. The Brgy. Abijao Fish Sanctuary covers an area of (15.3 hectares) and located in Barangay Abijao, Villba, Leyte, specifically measures with the following coordinates:

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Core Zone		
Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	11.143368	124.395234
2	11.143313	124.392881
3	11.149504	124.392725
4	11.149519	124.394568

A.2. The Brgy. Balite Fish Sanctuary covers an area of (20 hectares) and located in Barangay Balite, Villaba, Leyte, specifically measures with the following coordinates.

Core Zone		
Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	11.181536	124.384431
2	11.181439	124.382129
3	11.188485	124.381755
4	11.188466	124.384057

A.3. The Brgy. Bangkal Fish Sanctuary covers an area of (14.7 heactares) and located in Barangay Bangkal, Villaba, Leyte, specifically measures with the following coordinates.

Core Zone		
Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	11.178815	124.385819
2	11.178202	124.383539
3	11.172656	124.385398
4	11.173253	124.387443

A.4. The Brgy. Fatima Fish Santuary covers an area of (15 hectares) and located in Barangay Fatima, Villaba, leyte, specificall measures with the following coordinates.

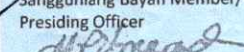
Core Zone		
Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	11.203076	124.383378
2	11.203986	124.380928
3	11.208521	124.382958
4	11.208356	124.385629


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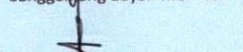

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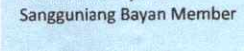

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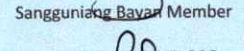

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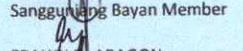

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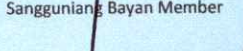

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A.5. The Brgy. Hinabuyan Fish Sanctuary covers an area of (9.4 hectares) and located in Brgy. Hinabuyan, Villaba, Leyte, specifically measures with the following coordinates.

Core Zone		
Point	Latitude	Longitude
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2	11.238000	124.396608
3	11.234921	124.393878
4	11.233119	124.395358

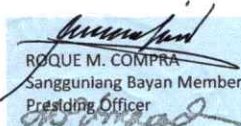
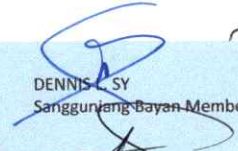
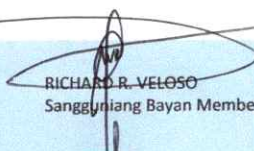
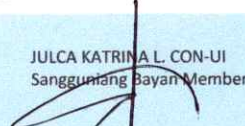
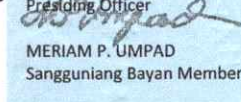
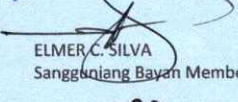
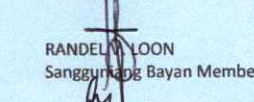
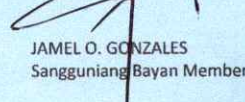
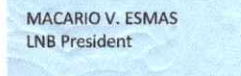
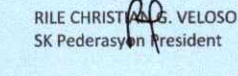
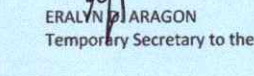
A.6. The Brgy. Jordan Fish Sanctuary covers an area of (15 hectares) and located in Brgy. Jordan, Villaba, Leyte, specifically measures with the following coordinates.

Core Zone		
Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	11.166779	124.390196
2	11.165947	124.388109
3	11.170820	124.385575
4	11.171543	124.387947

A.7. The Brgy. Libagong Fish Sanctuary covers an area of (25.8 hectares) and located in Brgy. Libagong, Villaba, Leyte, specifically measures with the following coordinates.

Core Zone		
Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	11.253744	124.383182
2	11.252973	124.380989
3	11.243100	124.384727
4	11.243837	124.386916

A.8. The Brgy. Pob Del Sur Fish Sanctuary covers an area of (4 hectares) and located in Brgy. Poblacion Del Sur, Villaba, Leyte, specifically measures with the following coordinates.

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Core Zone		
Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	11.210843	124.389307
2	11.211390	124.387570
3	11.209659	124.386994
4	11.209167	124.388759

A.9. The Brgy. Silad Fish Sanctuary covers an area of (11.8 hectares) and located in Brgy. Silad, Villaba, Leyte, specifically measures with the following coordinates.

Core Zone		
Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	11.227155	124.385786
2	11.228356	124.383254
3	11.224371	124.382308
4	11.224043	124.384284

A.10. The Brgy. Suba Fish Sanctuary covers an area of (12.3 hectares) and located in Brgy. Suba, Villaba, Leyte, specifically measures with the following coordinates.

Core Zone		
Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	11.221616	124.384355
2	11.221599	124.382161
3	11.216218	124.382479
4	11.216238	124.384373

A.11. The Brgy. Tagbubunga Badiang Fish Sanctuary covers an area of (17.5 hectares) and located in Brgy. Tagbubunga, Villaba, Leyte, specifically measures with the following coordinates.

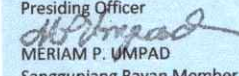
Core Zone		
Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	11.112559	124.400498
2	11.112627	124.398079
3	11.117377	124.398148
4	11.117352	124.400751

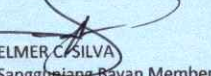

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 Presiding Officer

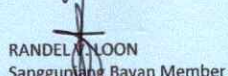

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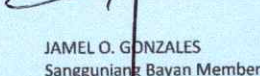

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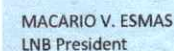

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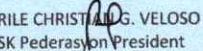

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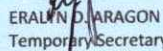

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A.12. The Brgy. Tagbubunga Caran Canan Fish Sanctuary covers an area of (18 hectares) and located in Brgy. Tagbubunga, Villaba, Leyte, specifically measures with the following coordinates.

Core Zone		
Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	11.134799	124.396686
2	11.136457	124.394616
3	11.139537	124.392374
4	11.139499	124.396646

Provided, however, that the marine protected areas/sanctuaries of the municipality shall have the following zones:

- 1.Core Zone
- 2. Buffer Zone
- 3. Navigational Zone as appropriate
- 4. Other zones as deemed necessary

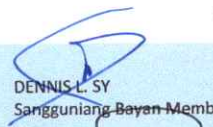
SECTION 6.2.2. Buffer Zones. The Municipality hereby designates areas to be considered as transition areas to prevent encroachment into the core Zones of the Marine Protected Area/Sanctuary established by the Municipality.

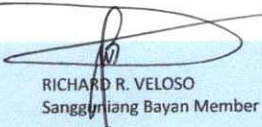
SECTION 6.2.3. Marking of Zones The Municipality shall endeavor to mark the zones identified above with visible marker buoys in order to ensure the management and enforcement efficiency of different sets of rules and regulations in every zone herein established; Provided that the cost and maintenance of buoys shall be the responsibility of the Municipality, subject to specific guidelines that may determine the specific body or committee assigned for this purpose; Provided, however, that it shall be unlawful for any person to remove, destroy or otherwise condemn the marker buoys without authority from the Municipality; Provided, finally, that any person who shall be found in possession for a period of more than seventy-two (72) hours, after demand for its return thereof, of any lost or detached marker buoys shall be prima facie considered to be in unlawfully in possession of such marker buoys.

SECTION 6.2.4. Regulations and Policies within the MPAs. The following regulations are hereby promulgated for MPAs:

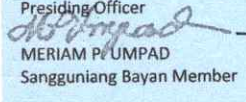
- 1. No MPA shall be declared outside the Protected Area zone;
- 2. Human access and activities are prohibited in the core zone of the marine protected area except for research purposes by duly authorized and issued with corresponding permit;

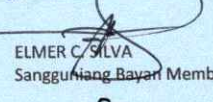

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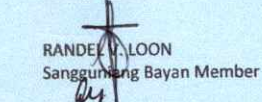

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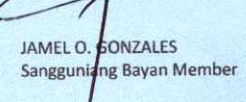

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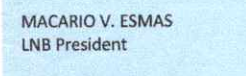

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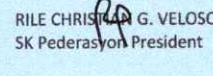

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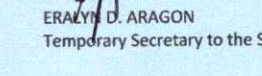

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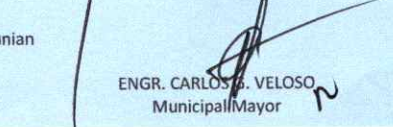

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3. Activities within the buffer zones will be limited to hook and line fishing; other fishing gear may be allowed in areas 200 meters of the buffer zone of the MPA; further, tourism activities such as snorkeling, scuba diving and others are allowed only in the buffer zone; navigation is also allowed in the buffer zone;
4. A management plan as an operational guide of the MPA shall be formulated in a participatory manner. Such plan shall contain management programs with proposed budgets for the strengthening of the MPA, implementation structure, monitoring and evaluation of activities; and
5. Results of the studies and/or researches conducted by any project, institution, agency, individual, and organization within the marine protected area zone shall be furnished to the Offices of the Municipal Agriculturist, Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer and Municipal Mayor.

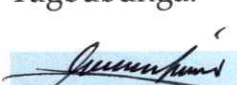
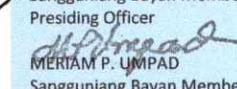
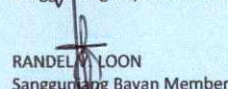
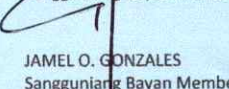
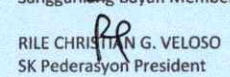
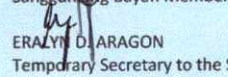
SECTION 6.2.5 Other Critical Habitat and Rehabilitation Zone. The Municipality hereby includes other critical habitats and rehabilitation zones/fishery reserves that may hereafter be delineated and established in the Municipality as core zone and/or marine mammal/cetacean aggregation and/or migration zones. Based on the resource assessment, LGUs will have to choose appropriate sections that will be included in its Fisheries Code.

SECTION. 6.2.6. Mangrove and Coral Reef Rehabilitation Area - a considerable mangrove and coral reef areas are located in the coastal barangays of the municipality.

SECTION 6.2.7 Regulation and Policies within the Rehabilitation Area. Habitat rehabilitation shall be in accordance with the municipal coastal resource management framework or such other framework formulated by the municipality specifically for mangrove and coral reef management. Rehabilitation activities shall be guided by the following rules and regulations:

1. All habitat rehabilitation activities shall be undertaken in the zones specified and identified for such purpose only;
2. No habitat rehabilitation shall be undertaken by any person and/or organization without valid permit issued by the MAO or MENRO and by the Municipal Mayor;
3. Fishing with the use of active gears is hereby prohibited within the rehabilitation sites;
4. Construction of any kind of establishment within the rehabilitation areas is hereby prohibited.

SECTION 6.3. TOURISM ZONES. As a policy to promote coastal tourism in the municipality, the following areas are hereby designated as tourism areas; Barangay Libagong, Silad, Hinabuyan, Suba, Fatima, Balite, Bankal, Jordan, Abijao and Tagbubunga:

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SECTION 6.3.1, POLICIES AND REGULATIONS WITHIN THE TOURISM AREAS.

For the sustainable tourism activities within the tourism areas of the municipality, the following policies and regulations are hereby promulgated:

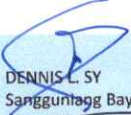
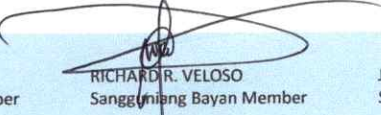
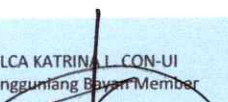
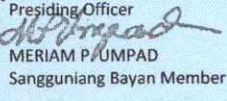
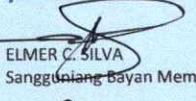
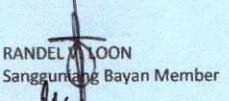
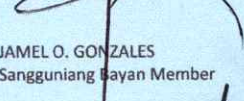
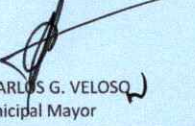
1. A study shall be conducted to determine the carrying capacity of all tourism facilities, number of tourists/visitors, and structures to be established to cater to the service needs in a sustainable manner;
2. All tourism activities in the tourism zone shall conform with the existing plans and policy framework for eco-tourism development and promotion of the municipality;
3. Tourism facilities shall comply with the basic requirements provided in Republic Act No. 9275 especially on the proper construction of comfort rooms and the like structures and the management of wastewater; and the provisions of Republic Act No. 9003 on proper solid waste management; No permanent structure shall be constructed within the marine and inland waters of the municipality for tourism - related purposes;
5. Fencing of tourism facilities ten (10) meters from the highest tide is prohibited;
6. Tourism operators shall apply for accreditation of their tourism facilities to the Municipal Tourism Office. Anchorage and fishing activities is hereby prohibited in the diving sites, provided further that the scuba divers should coordinate to the Office of the municipal mayor and to be assisted by the people's organization representatives.
8. No other activities except for tourism & residences purposes only will be allowed.

SECTION 6.4. NAVIGATIONAL AREAS, Navigational areas of the Municipality, in consultation with the MFARMC, shall designate the navigational routes of ferries and other fishing crafts and shall disallow any activity that shall obstruct the designated navigation route.

SECTION 6.5. ANCHORAGE ZONE - Designated anchorage zones of the Municipality is situated in Barangay Silad, Barangay Suba, Barangay Poblacion Del Sur, Barangay Jordan, Barangay Abijao, Barangay Hinabuyan and Barangay Libagong.

SECTION 6.6. POLICIES AND REGULATIONS WITHIN THE INFRASTRUCTURE ZONE. To facilitate sustainable management and use of the infrastructure zone, the following policies and regulations is hereby promulgated:

1. All water crafts more than 16 Hp must navigate along designated navigational route;
2. All water crafts more than 16 Hp must anchor at designated anchorage area and docking site;
3. Permanent docking of any kind of watercraft in the docking and anchorage area is hereby prohibited;
4. No commercial fishing shall be allowed to operate within municipal waters and all commercial fishing vessel traversing the municipal waters shall be required to install a vessel monitoring mechanism in accordance with the General Management Plan, the

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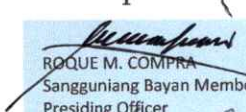
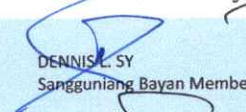
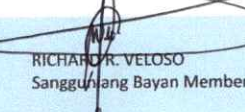
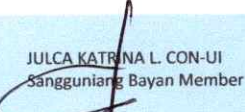
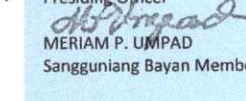
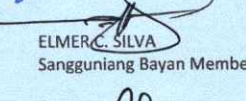
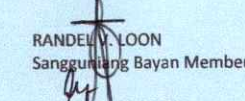
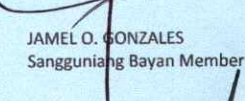
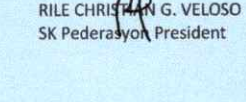
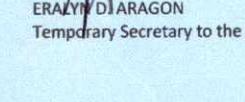
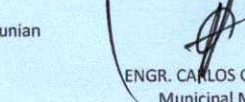
FMA plan and relevant laws and regulations; Provided, further, That no commercial fishing vessel, including but not related to, Danish Seine and Modified Danish Seine, shall be allowed to enter, dock or anchor on ports. fish landing areas and its immediate vicinity operated, controlled or supervised by the Municipality; Provided, finally, That port and fish landing area managers, supervisors and personnel shall enforce port/landing denial on all fishing vessels using gears or methods classified as Danish Seine, modified Danish Seine and their carriers, including those fish caught by explosives and/or cyanide.

ARTICLE II **UTILIZATION, MANAGEMENT, DEVELOPMENT, CONSERVATION AND** **ALLOCATION SYSTEM OF FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES**

SECTION 7. LOCAL CLIMATE AND DISASTER RISK ASSESSMENT. -The municipal government shall endeavor to undertake a local Climate and Disaster Risk Assessment (CDRA), which will serve as one of the primary bases in the formulation of the municipal fisheries development plan, for the purpose of ensuring that the said plan is climate-responsive and adopts ecosystems-based

SECTION 8. MUNICIPAL FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT PLAN- The municipal government shall adopt a municipal fisheries development plan (MFDP), upon recommendation of the FARMC, which serves as the basis for the management, utilization, development and conservation of its coastal and fisheries resources. The MFDP shall be integrated or mainstreamed in the Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP) upon submission to the Local Development Council. The MAO, together with the Municipal Planning and Development Officer will provide support to the FARMC in the formulation of the said plan and in the submission to the LDC, In accordance with existing laws and regulations, the plan shall be aligned with its updated comprehensive land use plan and local climate change action plan, and in accordance with the NIPAS Act, E-NIPAS Act, R.A. No. 10654 and related laws, the municipal government shall align this plan with the General Management Plan and the FMA plan, of which the municipality is part of.

SECTION 9. USE AND USERS OF MUNICIPAL WATERS.- The municipal waters shall be primarily reserved for municipal fishing activities as defined under this ordinance; Provided, That the grant of preferential rights shall be awarded to any resident and registered municipal fisherfolk or fisherfolk organization/cooperative that will be accredited by the Sanggunian Bayan or Sangguniang Panlungsod through a resolution in accordance with the guidelines and rules as may be issued hereafter: Provided, however, That municipal fishers from adjacent municipalities may be allowed to use the municipal waters after securing fishery license or permit from the municipal government, after due consultation with the MFARMC and backed by technical study on the status of the municipal waters; Provided, finally, ~~that other activities, such as but not limited to,~~

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research and monitoring activities may be allowed under appropriate regulations, for purely research, scientific, technological and education purposes, after due consultations with the MFARMC.

SECTION 10. REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MUNICIPAL FISHERS, MUNICIPAL FISHING VESSELS, AND FISHING GEARS- All municipal fishers, municipal fisherfolk organizations or cooperatives, and municipal fishing vessels fishing and/or operating within the municipal waters of the Municipality of Villaba shall be required to register annually in accordance with existing guidelines and other guidelines and procedures as may be prescribed pursuant to this ordinance.

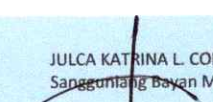
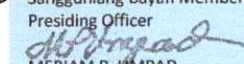
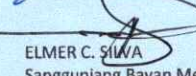
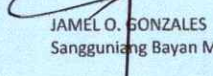
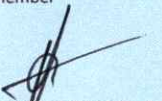
The MAO will be the lead office of the LGU to process the registration and licensing of municipal fisherfolk, municipal fishing boats and fishing gears. The MAO will conduct mobile registration and licensing for far flung barangays, which will be a one stop shop for both registration and licensing with a unified application-based system and application form, that will be developed by MAO, after due Consultation to the MFARMC.

SECTION 11. BASIC CRITERIA FOR REGISTRATION AND LICENSING. Only the fisherfolk who met the following eligibility criteria shall be allowed to register with the MAO or MENRO:

1. A citizen of the Philippines;
2. A resident of the municipality of Villaba for at least 6 months;
3. Directly or indirectly engage in fishing activities with or without the use of municipal fishing

SECTION 12. REGISTRATION AND LICENSING REQUIREMENTS. Applicants for boats registration and license must submit basic requirements such as the following:

1. Duly accomplished unified application form for fisherfolk, boat and gears;
2. Community tax certificate;
3. Philippine National Police Clearance, stating, among others, that the applicant is the legitimate owner of same vessel or boat: that the applicant is a bonafide registered fisherfolk, that he/she acquired it by way of purchase or by personally making or building by himself/herself or other person; that the same has never been used, caught or impounded for violation of fishery laws and ordinances; if caught, seized or impounded, the same has been released by the competent authority;
4. A Certificate of Registration of Accreditation (for organizations, cooperatives, partnership, firms or corporations); and
5. Official receipt of payments for necessary fees from the LGU.

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SECTION 13. ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF FISHERFOLK REGISTRATION, All requirements shall be submitted to and processed by the MAO. Provided that the MAO, upon checking and verifying all the documentary requirements and encoding the necessary information to the database, will issue a certificate of fisherfolk registration in the form of a fisherfolk identification card (ID).

The ID Card will contain basic information such as name, age, barangay, municipality of residence and fishing gear type used. It will also bear a control number for monitoring purposes. The ID Card should also bear the seal of the municipality and the signatures of the Mayor and the MAO.

SECTION 14 MAINTENANCE AND PUBLICATION OF MUNICIPALITY FISHERIES REGISTRY- The Municipality shall cause the annual publication of the Municipal Fisheries Registry by posting of the same in any conspicuous places or bulletin boards in the Municipal Hall and/or every coastal barangay as appropriate and/or in its website.

SECTION 15. ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF NUMBER AND BOAT PERMIT TO OPERATE. For purposes of registration as provided for in the preceding Section, the following requirements shall be followed:

1. The MAO shall take action on the application for boat registration simultaneously with the application for fisherfolk registration and gears.

2. If, in the review of the supporting documents of the application, the MAO found qualified pursuant to foregoing requirements, he/she shall issue the following documents, to be approved by the Mayor:

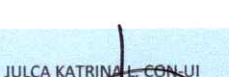
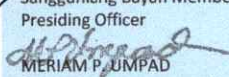
- Certificate of Admeasurements (CAD)
- Certificate of Number (CN)
- Permit to Operate
- Motorboat Operator's License

3. The Certificate of Admeasurements shall be issued by the MAO only upon recommendation or certification by a personnel of the Municipality duly trained as certified to by the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) which model form is hereby adopted and hereto made an integral part of this Ordinance.

4. The Admeasurements shall be governed by a standard formula as follows:

- Metric GT = $\frac{TL \times TB \times TD \times 0.70}{2.83}$

5. The Certificate of Number (CN) shall be issued by the Municipal Mayor upon recommendation of the MAO and after payment to the office of the Municipal Treasurer. It shall indicate alphabetical and numeric codes to distinguish the homeport of the municipal fishing boat. One copy of which shall be furnished to the Marina by the MAO

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6. The Permit to Operate (PTO) shall be issued by the Municipal Mayor upon recommendation of the MAO after payment to the office of the Municipal Treasurer.
7. The Motorboat Operator's License (MBOL) shall be issued by the Municipal Mayor upon recommendation of the MAO after payment to the office of the Municipal Treasurer.
8. The PTO and MBOL issued shall be good for one year and renewable for another one year, subject to compliance with the registration and licensing requirements of this ordinance.

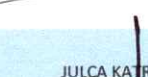
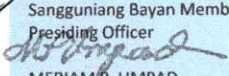
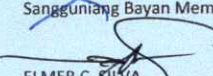
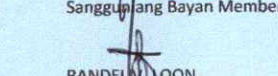
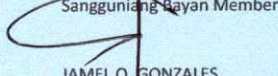
SECTION 16. COLOR CODING OF FISHING VESSELS/BOATS. Prior to issuance of permit and license as required above, every fishing vessel/boat owned by any registered fisherfolk of the Municipality of three (3) gross tonnage and below shall be painted with WHITE for the body of the fishing vessel or boat and BLUE for the water line. Further, registered number shall be clearly painted at both sides of the forward part of the fishing vessel.

SECTION 17. ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND LICENSES FOR FISHING GEARS. Any person, cooperatives, partnerships, or corporations who are listed in the Registry of Resource Users or Fisher folks may be issued license for fishing gears upon payment of the prescribed fees to the Office of the Municipal Treasurer.

The Municipal Mayor shall issue the fishing license subject to the recommendation of the MAO; Provided, further, that the Fishery License and/or the permit are non-transferable. The license, shall agree unconditionally to comply with all the laws, orders, policies, and rules and regulations governing fishing in the municipality. The licensee shall also assume responsibility for any and all of his/her acts in his/her fishing operation. The Municipality of Villaba through the MAO, shall maintain a registry of fishing vessels, boats, type of gears and other fishing paraphernalia.

SECTION 18. RENEWAL OF PERMIT AND LICENSE. The fishery permits and license issued pursuant to the foregoing provision shall be renewed annually in a manner as prescribed in this ordinance. The permittee shall have 20 days prior to the expiration of the license and permit within which to renew his permit and license.

SECTION 19. ACTIONS ON THE APPLICATION FOR FISHING GEAR PERMIT. The MAO, after conducting the screening and review of the documents in support of the applications, and upon consultation with the FARMC, shall recommend to the Municipal Mayor the issuance of the License and/or permit. Otherwise, the MAO shall reject the applications and state the reason(s) in writing.

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SECTION 20. GROUNDS FOR REJECTION OF APPLICATION AND RENEWAL FOR PERMIT/LICENSE. The following are the grounds for rejection of an application for a permit/license, to wit:

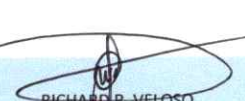
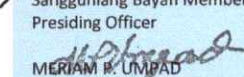
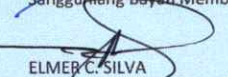
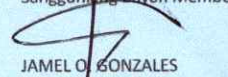
1. Fraudulent, false and/or misleading statements in the application;
2. Failure to pay the prescribed application fees and fulfill other requirements;
3. The applicant committed an act or acts in violation of this Ordinance or fishery laws and rules and found guilty for either criminal or administrative offense, or such person shall have failed to comply with the conditions set forth in his application for permit or license; and
4. Such other instances analogous to any of the foregoing grounds.

SECTION 21. GROUNDS FOR CANCELLATION OF PERMIT OR LICENSE The following are the grounds for the cancellation of permit/License, to wit:

1. Fraudulent, false and/or misleading statements in the application;
2. Failure to comply with the provisions of existing national laws and local ordinances;
3. Construction and operation of fish pen or fish cage outside of designated areas;
4. Abandonment and non-operation for 60 days and/or lack of interest of the permittee;
6. Non-construction of fish pen or fish cage within 60 days from the date of issuance of the permit
5. Failure to pay the necessary fees and other surcharges relative thereto;
6. Non-construction of fish pen and cage within 60 days from the date of issuance of permit to construct and operate.;
7. The applicant committed an act or acts in violation of this Ordinance or fishery laws and rules and found guilty for either criminal or administrative offense, or such person shall have failed to comply with the conditions set forth in his application for permit or license; and
8. Such other instances analogous to any of the foregoing grounds.

SECTION 22. SCHEDULE OF FISHERY LICENSES, FEES, AND PERMITS. Privilege to occupy, produce, culture, capture or gather fish of any marine species or fishery products may be granted only upon payment of the corresponding fishery registration and license fees provided as follows:

1. Fishing Vessel Registration Fee.- There shall be collected the following registration fees from the owner of each fishing vessel of three (3) gross tons and below being operated within the municipal waters of this Municipality:

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TYPE OF FISHING VESSEL	STANDARD FEES
A. Non-motorized	
Boat	P 100.00
Flat Boat	P 150.00
B. Motorized	
Below one (1) GT	P 200.00
One (1) GT - Below 2 GT	P 300.00
2GT - 3GT	P 500.00

II. Municipal Fishing License Fees. The municipal fishing license shall be granted to each registered municipal fisher upon payment of the corresponding municipal license fees at rate not exceeding those fixed hereunder.

Type of Activity	Standard Fees
A. For using Net, and other Similar Gears	
License fee for each type of gear	None
B. For using Traps	
License fee for each type of traps	P 100.00
C. Other means of Capture	
Spear Fishing or "pamana" without compressor	None
Hook and line	None
Pangnukos	None
Gathering of Sea Cucumbers/Seaweeds	None
D. For Construction and Operation of Fish Pens and Corrals	
Less than 3 meters deep	P 1,000.00 / year
3 meters deep but less than 10 meters deep	P 1,500.00 / year
10 meters deep and above	P 2,000.00 / year
E. For the use of payaos	P 500.00 / year
F. For Construction and Operation of Fish Ponds	P 1,000.00 per ¹ / ₂ ha
G. Oyster and Other Mollusks Culture Beds	P 1,000.00 per ¹ / ₂ ha
H. For Operation of Prawn , Fish Pens	P 300.00 per unit/year
I. For Construction and Operation of Fish Cage	P 300.00 per cage/year
J. For Construction and Operation of Seaweed Culture Farm	P 500.00 per ¹ / ₄ ha



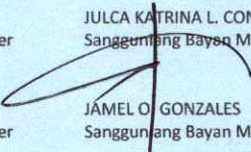
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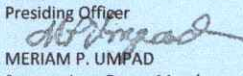
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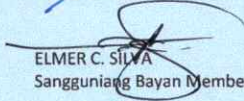
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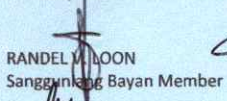
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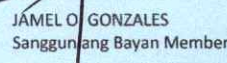
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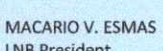
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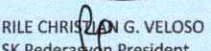
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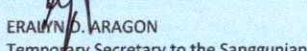
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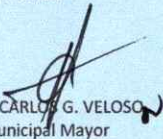
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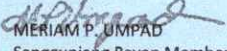
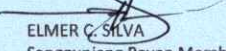
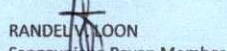
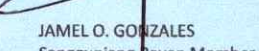
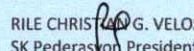
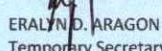


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SECTION 23. SCHEDULE OF OTHER FEES.- For the use and access to the coastal and fisheries resources within its municipal waters, the Municipality shall require the following:

1. Accreditation and registration of tourist operators, including dive guides and other professionals – All dive guides, instructors, dive masters, 'spotters', and the like who are duly certified SCUBA divers practicing their trade in the Municipality shall be required to seek accreditation and registration in the Municipality by presenting proof of certification as dive professionals from reputable international or domestic accreditation groups upon the payment of the following annual fees: Filipino dive instructors/ dive masters (Php 2,000.00) foreign national dive instructors/ dive masters (Php 2,500.00 per year). Foreign national dive professionals should present proof that they are residents of and allowed to work in the Philippines before they can be accredited. In addition to the above fees, any person or entity that will engage in commercial filming or sound recording, shall be required to register, pay a recording fee of Php 100.00 per person/ day and provide a copy of the videotape or sound recording to the Municipality.
2. Accreditation and registration of commercial establishments/resorts - all commercial establishments and/or resorts shall be required to seek accreditation and registration of their commercial activities within the coastal and marine areas subject to the payment of a fee of Php 2,000.00 per year.
3. Conservation Fee - A fee of Php 30.00 shall be collected daily from any person using the coastal and marine resources of the Municipality whether for swimming, snorkeling, or any other leisure activity; Provided, That municipal residents who can present identification as such are exempted from such fee unless they avail of private resort facilities in which case they shall also be charged conservation fees.
4. Diver's Fee -All divers, whether undertaking an introductory dive or otherwise, using the per diving coastal and marine resources of the Municipality are required to pay Php 50.00 for unlimited dive per days in a given year.
5. Mooring and Terminal Fees. All vessels based in the Municipality which are owned or operated by a registered business entity, over three gross tons is required to pay a berthing fee of P 50.00 per gross ton per week when anchoring, mooring, berthing or docking in any part of the municipal waters: Provided, that a fraction of a week shall be considered one week. Passengers entering the terminal or alighting from vessels docking or berthing in ports owned per person for the use of the port facilities by the Municipality shall pay a fee of P10.00 per person for the use of the port facilities.

Upon recommendation of the MFARMC, all academic and/or research institutions and other related groups which intend to undertake research and monitoring within the coastal area and municipal waters of Villaba shall be required to secure permit from the Municipal Agriculturist Office (MAO) to conduct academic research subject to the terms and conditions as may be provided in the implementing rules and guidelines; Provided, That all research outputs shall be submitted to the of Municipality within one year from completion or publication.

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The Municipality shall collect the aforementioned as well as other fees for the use of the coastal and fisheries resources within its municipal waters according to the Schedule of Fees, as follows:

Accreditation and Registration Fees

TYPE OF ACTIVITY	STANDARD FEES
A. Tourist operators (including dive professionals)	
Filipino dive professionals	P 2,000.00 per year
Foreign dive professionals	P 2,500.00 per year
Commercial filming/recording	P 100.00 per person/day
B. Commercial establishments of resorts	P 2,000.00 per year
C. Conservation fee	P 500 per year
D. Diver's fee	P 50.00 per day
E. Mooring fee	P 150.00
F. Terminal fee	P 10.00

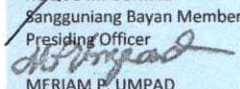
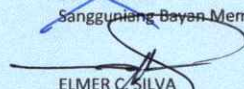
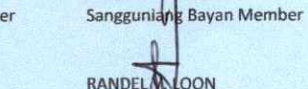
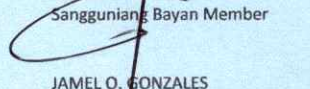
Upon recommendation of the MFARMC, and approval of the Mayor, the fees herein may be increased biennially at a maximum of 10%, without need for new legislation. The conservation, diver's and mooring fees above may be collected by the management of accredited resorts; Provided, that they have purchased pre-paid passes from the MA0.

SECTION 24. LICENSE TO OPERATE FISH TRAPS, PENS OR CORRALS, FISH CAGES, AND OTHER FACILITIES FOR THE CULTURE OF FISH AND OTHER FISHERY PRODUCTS,- All operators or owners of fish traps, pens or corrals, fish cages, and other facilities for the culture of fish and other fishery products shall be required to secure a license to operate such aquaculture and/or mariculture facilities, and pay the appropriate fees; Provided, That such fees shall be subject to amendment in consultation with the MFARMC.

ARTICLE VI
THE FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
(FARMC)

SECTION 25. THE MUNICIPAL FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (MFARMC). The MFARMC is established to institutionalize the major role of the fisherfolk and other resource users in the planning and formulation of policies and programs for the management, conservation, protection and sustainable development of fisheries and aquatic resources.

SECTION 26. BARANGAY FARMC. A BFARMC shall be created in every coastal barangay, in accordance with Sec. 14 of FAO No. 196, and shall serve an advisory capacity to the MFARMC.

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Based on FAO No. 196, the following shall be the members:

1. Chairperson of the Sangguniang Barangay Committee of Agriculture/ Fisheries;
2. Representative from the Barangay Development Council;
3. Representative from the accredited NGO;
4. Representative from the private sector; and
5. At least eight (8) representatives of the fisherfolk/ fish workers including the youth and women sectors.

SECTION 27. TENURE, MEETING AND COMPENSATION. The Municipal and Barangay FARMC members shall serve for three (3) years, with election of officers conducted every three (3) years. The election process will be facilitated by the MAO. The FARMC shall hold regular meeting every two months and may hold especial meeting whenever necessary. Funds for the FARMC operations shall be sourced out from the budget of the MAO and the DA-BFAR.

ARTICLE IV

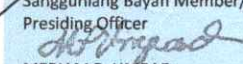
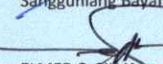
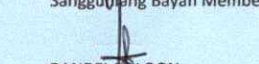
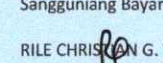
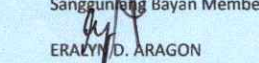
COASTAL AND FISHERIES RESOURCES MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES

SECTION 28. FISH AGGREGATING DEVICE USE,- The Municipality shall strictly regulate the installation and use of fish aggregating devices, locally known as 'payaos', and other fish attracting devices that may be developed within its municipal waters; Provided, however, that in no case shall such fish aggregating device be installed within marine protected areas and distance from MPAs shall be recommended by the MFARMC in consultation with the DA-BFAR and academic institutions.

No operator or owner of commercial fishing vessels shall be allowed to invest in, use and/or utilize such fish aggregating device within the municipal waters; Provided, finally, that the Municipality shall not allow any person to install more than one fish aggregating device at any time.

SECTION 29. FISH CATCH DOCUMENTATION. The Municipality of registered fisherfolk and fish traders, to submit fish catch data to the MAO in a manner that is agreed upon by the stakeholders and in consultations with the MFARMC. The MAO shall coordinate with the DA-BFAR for technical support.

SECTION 30. WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT- The Municipality, in coordination with the MAO and/or MENRO, shall undertake to ensure the management of water resources and its quality in its municipal waters. The MAO in coordination with the MENRO shall conduct regular monitoring and evaluation of the status of the water quality in coordination with the DENR and other appropriate agencies/institutions.

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SECTION 31. SUPPORT TO MUNICIPAL FISHERS.- The Municipality, in coordination with appropriate agencies and institutions, shall provide budgetary allocation and other forms of support to municipal fishers and/or fisherfolk organizations or cooperatives through appropriate technology and research, credit, production and marketing assistance and other services, such as, but not limited to, trainings for alternative or supplementary livelihoods.

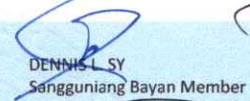
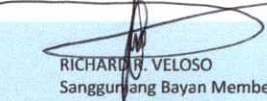
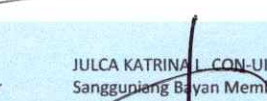
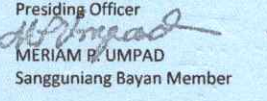
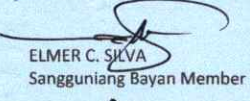
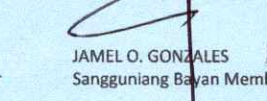
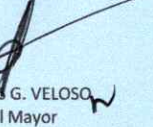
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POST-HARVEST FACILITIES AND ACTIVITIES**

SECTION 32. ESTABLISHMENT OF POST-HARVEST FACILITIES,- The Municipality shall coordinate with the MFARMC, private sector and other concerned agencies in the establishment of post-harvest facilities such as, but not limited to, municipal ports, municipal or community fish landing sites, ice plants, cold storage and other fish processing establishment to serve primarily the needs of the municipal fishers.

SECTION 33. CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OF MUNICIPAL FISH PORTS.- The Municipality shall coordinate with the Philippine Fish Port Development Authority (PFDA) in the construction and management of municipal fish ports in areas that are designated in their Coastal and Fisheries Resources Management Plan and in accordance with the General Management Plan and the FMA plan. Such municipal fish ports shall be designed in a manner that the water quality parameters, such as salinity, temperature, dissolved Oxygen, bathymetry, and the like, shall be taken into consideration; Provided, that such municipal fish ports and facilities shall secure the necessary permits and environmental compliance certificate as required by existing environmental laws and regulations.

SECTION 34. AUXILIARY INVOICE. - All fish and fishery products must have an auxiliary invoice to be issued by the Municipality through the Municipal Agriculturist Office prior to their transport to and/or from their point of origin within the municipality from and/or to their point of destination in the Philippines, including those for export purposes upon payment of the prescribed fee to be determined in the implementing rules and regulations in order to defray administrative costs thereof: Provided, that the municipal government, in the issuance of such auxiliary invoices for the transport of fish and fishery products, must provide a monthly summary thereof to the Provincial Fisheries Office.

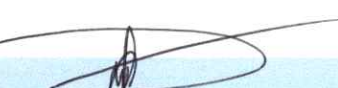
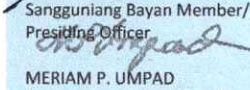
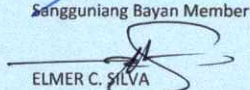
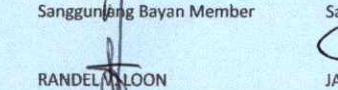
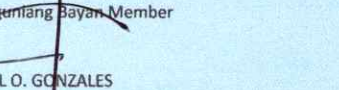
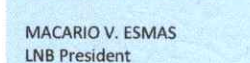
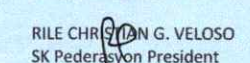
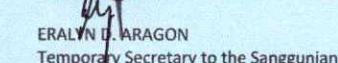
No auxiliary invoice shall be issued to culture pearls, products transported or unloaded by Philippine Registered fishing vessels, products caught or gathered in violation of fisheries laws or declared as health hazard. The Municipality shall ensure that no fish caught through the use of explosives shall be issued an auxiliary invoice; Provided, finally, That the LGU personnel authorized to issue Auxiliary invoice shall also undergo the mandatory training on the detection of fish caught through the use of explosives.

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ARTICLE VI ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

SECTION 35. FUNCTIONS OF MAO IN FISHERIES MANAGEMENT. As responsible for the management, conservation, development, protection utilization, and disposition of all fish and the LGU through its MAO, and in fishery/aquatic resources within the municipal waters of coordination with the Municipal Planning and Development Office (MPDO), and/or MENRO, and other relevant offices shall have the following functions:

1. Assist in the organization and reorganization of FARMCs;
2. Prepare and implement its Municipal Fisheries Development Plan, in consultation with the MFARMC;
3. Issue licenses for the operation of municipal fishing vessels, in coordination with the Business Permit and Licensing Office (BPLO);
4. Issue certificate of number to all the registered municipal fishing vessels, in coordination with the Business Permit and Licensing Office (BPLO);
5. Issue certificate of fisherfolk registration cards to registered fisherfolk engaged in municipal fishing
6. Grant privileges to erect fish corrals, oyster mussels or other aquatic beds or bangus fry areas.
7. Grant privileges to gather or catch bangus fry, prawn fry, or fry of other species.
8. Authorize the establishment and operation of ferries, wharves, and other structures, also included are marine and seashore activities intended to accelerate production, and
9. Regulate the preparation and sale of fish for public consumption
10. Establish and maintain data base system or Comprehensive Information System:
11. Provide extensive development support services in all aspect of fisheries production,
12. Coordinate with BFAR in the provision and technical assistance on the improvement of processing and marketing; quality of fish from the time it is caught (i.e. onboard fishing vessel, at landing areas, fish markets, to the CFLC and to the distribution and marketing chain);
13. Coordinate efforts relating to fishery production undertaken by the primary fishery producers, BFAR, FARMCs and other fishery organizations/cooperatives.
14. Maintenance of proper sanitation and hygienic practices in fish markets and fish landing areas;
15. Coordinate with BFAR, DILG and other related agency for the efficient monitoring, control and surveillance of fishing activities within Philippine territorial waters and provide the necessary facilities, equipment and training thereof;
16. Coordinate with the DILG Regional Offices in the reporting and submission of the Fisheries

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17. Implement an inspection system for all fishery/aquatic products, consistent with international Compliance Audit (Fish CA); standards to ensure product quality and safety;
18. Coordinate with BFAR and other concerned agencies for the establishment of productivity enhancing and market development programs in fishing communities to enable women to engage in other fisheries/economic activities and contribute significantly to development efforts;
19. Enforce all laws, formulate and enforce all rules and regulations governing the conservation and management of fishery resources within municipal waters, and to settle conflicts of resource use and allocation in consultation with the MFARMC;
20. Develop value-added fishery-products for domestic consumption and export;
21. Assist the LGUs in developing their technical capability in the development, management, regulation, conservation, and protection of the fishery resources;
22. Adopt an appropriate monitoring, control and surveillance and traceability system for municipal fishing vessels supplying exporters with concurrence of the local government units,
23. Perform such other related functions which shall promote the development, conservation, management, protection and utilization of fisheries and aquatic resources.

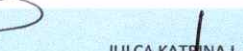
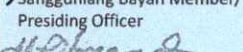
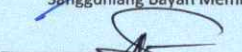
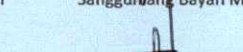
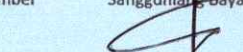
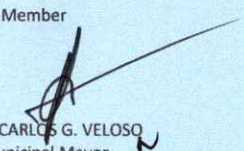
SECTION 36. ROLE OF BARANGAYS.- In the implementation of fisheries management programs of the Municipality, the Barangays shall provide complete and total support, and shall coordinate or assist endeavors on of the municipality. The Barangay shall be tasked with the following powers and responsibilities:

1. Assist in the organization and reorganization of BFARMCs
2. Coordinate and or participate in the preparation and implementation of the Municipal Fisheries Development Plan;
3. Maintain proper sanitation and hygienic practices in fish markets and fish landing areas and in the barangay through the full enforcement of R.A. No. 9003, the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act and pertinent municipal ordinances;
4. Formulate and enforce all rules and regulations governing the conservation and management of fishery resources within municipal waters, and to settle conflicts of resource use and allocation in consultation with the MFARMC; and
5. Perform such other related functions which shall promote the development, conservation, management, protection and utilization of fisheries and aquatic resources.

ARTICLE VII COASTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT (CLE)

SECTION 37. CREATION OF THE CLE TEAM: ITS COMPOSITION, POWERS AND FUNCTIONS.-A Municipal Coastal Law Enforcement Team is hereby created and shall be composed of the following:

1. Municipal Agriculturist Officer and/or Municipal Environment and Natural

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- Resources Officer;
2. Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officer;
 3. Deputized Bantay Dagat (fish wardens);
 4. MFARMC;
 5. Philippine National Police and;
 6. DA-BFAR;
 7. Philippine Coast Guard (whenever applicable).
 8. Civil society sector representative (optional or whenever applicable).

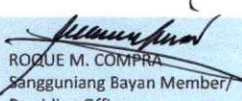
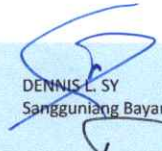
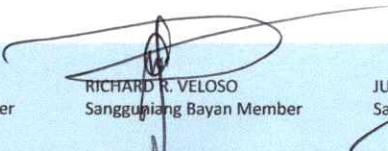
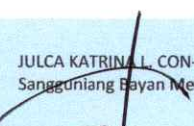
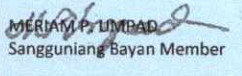
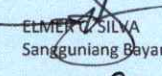
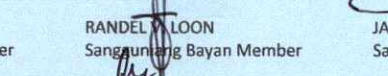
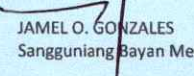
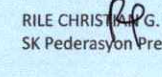
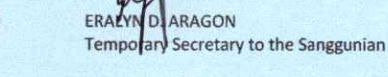
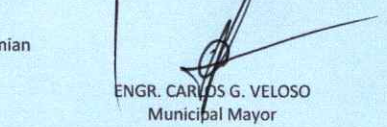
It shall perform the following functions and responsibilities:

1. Implement the penal provisions of the Ordinances as well as fisheries laws, rules and regulation;
2. Undertake various strategic operations, such as, but not limited to, seaborne, land-based market-denial, checkpoints, against illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing;
3. Formulate and implement operation plans for the purposes of preventing, arresting and apprehending, searching, prosecuting, among others, against fisheries law violations;
4. Coordinate with the Protected Area Office and/or Protected Area Superintendent in protected areas to ensure the effective enforcement of protected area and other environment laws and regulations;
5. Act as complainant and whenever necessary, act as witnesses, in any suit, including citizen's suits, that are filed for any violation of fisheries, protected area and other environmental laws and regulations;
6. Conduct boarding and inspection in fishing boats operating inside municipal waters,
7. Improve capacities for law enforcement through trainings, seminars, workshops and meetings;
8. Collaborate with stakeholders for capacity training;
9. Perform such other functions as may be necessary and prescribed by laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 38. DEPUTATION OF BANTAY DAGAT.-No person shall be deputized as Bantay Dagat (Fish warden) unless he or she has completed a comprehensive training course for Bantay Dagat as prescribed by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and/or BFAR. After the completion of such training course, the Municipal Mayor and/or DENR shall issue a certificate of deputation and identification cards to each deputized Bantay Dagat.

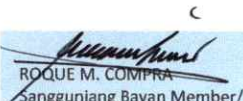
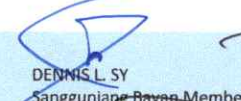
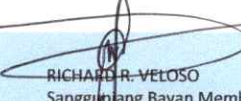
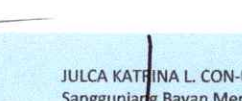
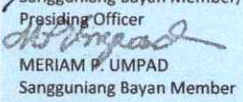
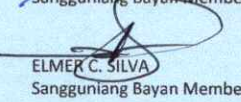
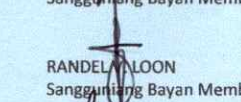
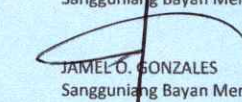
ARTICLE VIII PROHIBITIONS AND PENALTIES

SECTION 39. ENFORCEMENT OF FISHERY LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS.
The Municipality shall assist in the enforcement against prohibited acts or omissions as provided in the Philippine Fisheries Code (Republic Act 8550, as amended by Republic

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Act 10654), Philippine Wildlife Act (Republic ACT 9147), and other environmental laws. The rules and regulations under the NIPAS Act and E-NIPAS Act and those identified by the PAMB and by the FMA Management Board shall likewise be deemed included in the list of prohibited acts herein. In addition to these acts, the following are considered as offenses against this ordinance:

1. Undertaking activities that would cause damage to the resources within the various zones as identified in Section 6 hereof;
2. Removing, damaging or stealing marker buoys established in accordance with Section 7.2 hereof;
3. Fishing and/or operating in municipal waters by municipal fishers, municipal fisherfolk organizations or cooperatives, and municipal fishing vessels without registration, including those in adjacent municipalities, in violation of Section 10 hereof;
4. Operating municipal fishing vessels in municipal waters without complying with the color and letter coding as an identification scheme in violation of Section 16 and Section 17 hereof;
5. Fishing without observing the number, size or length of fishing gears per fisherfolk as may be imposed by the Municipality in violation of Section 18 hereof;
6. Acting or practicing trade as dive guides, instructors, dive masters, 'spotters', and the like without securing the necessary accreditation and registration in violation of Section 24 hereof;
7. Operating commercial establishments and/or resorts without the necessary accreditation and registration of their commercial activities in violation of Section 24 hereof;
8. Using the coastal and marine resources of the Municipality whether for swimming, snorkeling, or any other leisure activity without the payment of the necessary conservation fee in violation Section 24 hereof;
9. Anchoring, mooring, berthing or docking in any part of the municipal waters by any vessel without the payment of the necessary fees, or non-payment of terminal fees in violation of Section 24 hereof;
10. Using and/or utilizing fish aggregating device or "payao" by any operator or owner of commercial fishing vessels, installing fish aggregating device outside the designated areas, or installing more than the required number of fish aggregating device in violation of Section 37 hereof;
11. Failure to report their catch in violation of Section 38 hereof;
12. Fishing in areas declared as overfished areas by the Municipality in violation of Section 39 hereof;
13. Operating aquaculture and/or mariculture facilities or undertaking aquaculture and/or mariculture activities in violation of the prescribed guidelines or failure to meet the minimum standards in violation of Section 44 hereof;

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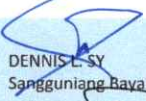
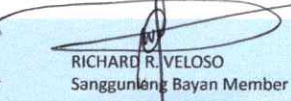
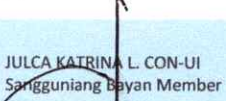
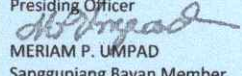
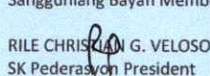
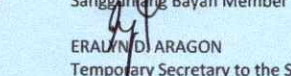
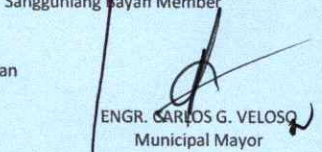
14. Failure to register or secure a license to operate aquaculture and/or mariculture facilities by operators or owners of fish traps, pens or corrals, fish cages, and other facilities for the culture of fish and other fishery products in violation of Section 44 hereof;
15. Obstructing navigational routes or defined migration routes in violation of Section 46 hereof;
16. Constructing or operating municipal fish ports and facilities without the necessary permits and environmental compliance certificate as required by existing environmental laws and regulations in violation of Section 48 hereof;
17. Transporting of fish and fishery products without the necessary auxiliary invoice in violation of Section 51 hereof.

SECTION 40. USE OF COMPRESSORS. It shall be unlawful for any individual who is engaged in fishing activities to use or cause to be used a compressor as a breathing apparatus for fishing activities. The discovery of a compressor in a fishing boat or vessel while engaged in fishing activities shall constitute a prima facie evidence that the boat operator, fish worker or the person on board that boat or vessel will use the same.

SECTION 41. NON-COMPLIANCE WITH VESSEL MONITORING MEASURES (VMM) TRANSITING, ANCHORING AND/OR DOCKING IN PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PORTS INSIDE MUNICIPAL WATERS. For purposes of monitoring commercial fishing vessels within municipal waters, all commercial fishing vessels transiting, anchoring and/or docking in public or private ports inside the municipal waters of this Municipality are required to install a VMM device on their fishing vessel within a period of 6 months from the effectivity of this Ordinance. Such VMM device shall be that which required by and defined in Fisheries Administrative Order 266, series of 2020. It shall be unlawful to transit, anchor and/or dock in private or public ports inside municipal waters without complying with the VMM requirement. It shall also be unlawful to intentionally tamper with, switch off or disable the VMM device. The discovery of any person operating a commercial fishing vessel inside municipal waters without any VMM device or having inoperable units shall constitute a prima facie presumption that the person is not in compliance with this provision.

SECTION 42. PENALTIES. All above-mentioned offenses shall have uniform penalties depending on the frequency of the commission of the offense:

1. First Offense: Fine ranging from P500.00 but not more than P1,000.00 at the discretion of the Court.
2. Second Offense: Fine ranging from P1,000.00 to P2,000.00 or imprisonment for 10 days but not more than 1 month or both at the discretion of the Court.
3. Third Offense: Fine ranging from P2,000.00 but not more than P2,500.00 or imprisonment for 1 month and 1 day but not more than 2 months or both at the discretion of the Court.

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Any fisherfolk who had been found guilty for more than three (3) times of one (1) or a combination of two (2) or more offenses herein listed shall no longer be eligible to avail of administrative adjudication allowing payment of fines. Instead, he/shall be prosecuted criminally and be made to pay the maximum penalty of fine and imprisonment. Provided, that in case of failure to pay the fine the violator shall be required to render community service equivalent to his penalty computed at P100.00 per day. Provided, further, That the Municipal Adjudication Board (MAB) in the exercise of its power may impose the penalty of fine to offenders who are willing to plead guilty to the offense and express willingness to pay the fines as herein above stated.

SECTION 43. OTHER VIOLATIONS.- In addition to the previous section, the following acts or omissions are likewise prohibited:

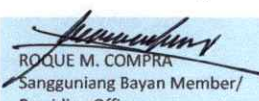
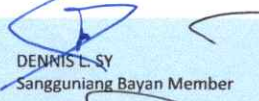
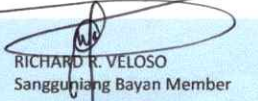
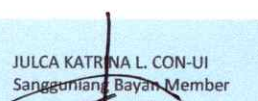
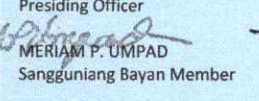
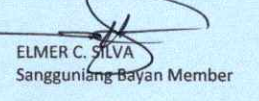
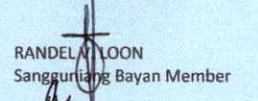
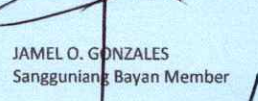
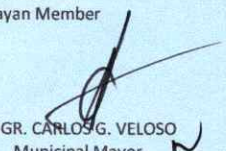
1. Taking of any animal, plant or-abiotic element of the ecosystem within the MPAs, except for scientific purposes and under a permit issued by the Municipality and appropriate national government agencies;
2. Ferrying or providing services to divers without a Dive Pass or with a tampered or blank dive pass, provided that in every case, the boat captain shall be held liable for violation of this provision; and
3. Building of any structures from the no-build zone and beyond (seaward), except for temporary floating piers, boat ramps, safety buoys and the like, that do not obstruct the passage of people and boats.

**ARTICLE IX
GENERAL PROVISIONS**

SECTION 44. FINANCING AND SOURCES OF FUNDS,- The Municipality shall ensure the annual allocation of budget for the implementation of this Ordinance, including specific budget allocations for the activities of the FARMCs, and coastal law enforcement reflecting regular benefits and remuneration of Bantay Dagat/Park Rangers, among others. For this purpose, there shall be amount allocated under MOOE from the office of the mayor to support the implementation of this Ordinance.

SECTION 45. CREATION OF SPECIAL TRUST FUND.- There is hereby created a Special Trust Fund which shall be the repository for all the monies received, including the share in the registration fees, fishery license/permit fees and charges, donations or endowments, fines and penalties, and other amounts as a consequence of the implementation of this ordinance. It shall be administered by the Municipality as a special account in any government financial institution. For this purpose, the Municipality hereby adopts a revenue sharing scheme, as follows:

- Forty percent (40%) for the Municipality,
- Thirty percent (30%) for the Barangays,
- Thirty percent (30%) for the fisheries management operations.

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SECTION 46. EXERCISE OF OVERSIGHT FUNCTION - The Sangguniang Bayan shall hereby exercise its inherent oversight function pertaining to the use of the aforementioned budgetary allocation for the implementation of the coastal and fisheries resources management programs and strategies by the executive department pursuant to this Ordinance.

SECTION 47. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS,- A Technical Working Committee is hereby created to formulate rules and regulations for the full implementation of this Ordinance within sixty (60) days of its effectivity: Provided, however, that the formulated rules and regulations, after due consultations to FARMCS, shall be submitted to the Municipal Mayor who shall issue an Executive Order for the purpose of adopting such implementing rules and guidelines. Such rules and regulations shall take effect upon publication or posting in the Municipal Hall and in public places as identified in the said Order.

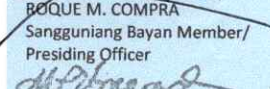
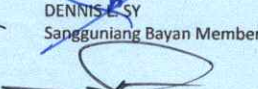
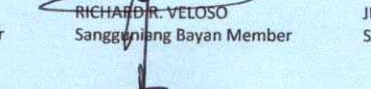
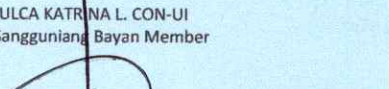
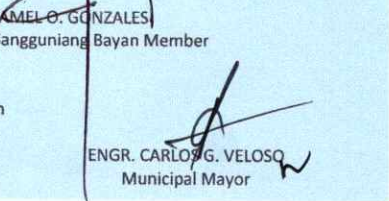
SECTION 48. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.- If any provision of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions thereof not affected shall remain valid and enforceable.

SECTION 49. TRANSITORY PROVISION.- All existing laws, rules, regulations, executive orders not inconsistent with this Ordinance shall remain operative until amended, repealed, or revoked. Towards this end, the incumbent members of the officers and appointed officials within the bodies which are amended or repealed by this Ordinance shall continue in office until such time as the duly appointed members and officers of such bodies have been appointed and taken their oath of office.

SECTION 50. REPEALING CLAUSE- All ordinances, executive orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof whose provisions are inconsistent to this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

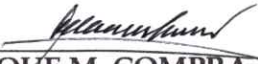
SECTION 51. MANDATORY LEGISLATIVE REVIEW.- The Sangguniang Bayan shall undertake the mandatory legislative review of this Ordinance at least once every three (3) years or as often as may be deemed necessary, to ensure that the policies, programs and strategies will remain responsive to changing circumstances in the Municipality.

SECTION 52. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after compliance with the posting and publication requirement pursuant to Section 59 of Republic Act No. 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

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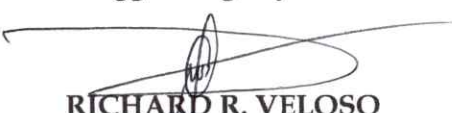
Moved for approval by the Hon. Jamel O. Gonzales, duly seconded by the Hon. Elmer C. Silva, this ordinance was approved on April, 16, 2026.


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MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING CONDUCTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, MANAGEMENT, UTILIZATION, AND CONSERVATION OF FISHERIES RESOURCES, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FISHERIES ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLABA, LEYTE

ON FEBRUARY 3, 2026 AT SB SESSION HAL

The public hearing commenced at exactly 9:40 in the morning. The hearing was attended by Edgar T. Veloso, M.D.; Dr. Merlita D. Veloso, Municipal Administrator; Adolf Rae A. Barro, MENRO Officer; Rowena D. Albarao, Fishery Coordinator, Admin. Assistant II; Rodulf C. Aya-ay, President of the Fisherfolk Association; Victor Catamora, President of BANGFFA Association; Teddy L. Vapor, MPDO Designate; and 12 Coastal Barangay Officials. The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the concerned committee of the Sangguniang Bayan were also present, Hon. Jamel O. Gonzales and Hon. Elmer C. Silva.

The hearing was called to order, followed by a prayer and the singing of the National Anthem. The Committee on Fisheries and Aquatic Resources convened to discuss the proposed Fisheries Ordinance for the sustainable management, utilization, and conservation of fisheries resources in the municipality.

Mr. Adolf Rae Barro stated that coordination is necessary in determining municipal waters. He emphasized the need to seek assistance from Bantay Dagat and coordinate within the municipal waters scope. Mr. Edgar Veloso shared that previous practices followed the lowest recorded shoreline (15 meters) and involved consultation with the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR). Mr. Barro added that due to climate change, low tide levels are changing, which affects the determination of municipal waters.

Mr. Barro further proposed that coastal barangays should be included in identifying fishing grounds, noting that each barangay has different boundaries and that some areas may not fall within designated fishing zones. Ms. Rowena mentioned that fisherfolk from Barangay Cag-apog are fishing farther offshore, approximately 200 fathoms. Mr. Veloso suggested consulting coastal barangays to determine whether marine sanctuaries exist.

A barangay official from Libagong clarified that there is no existing sanctuary in their barangay, while Ms. Rowena stated that only Tagbubunga currently has one. Councilor Jamel inquired why some sanctuaries were dissolved. Ms. Rowena explained that one sanctuary was previously managed by a coastal association that was later dissolved due to illegal activities. The sanctuary has now been turned over to the barangay. An association has been formed but is not yet accredited due to the non-submission of the required list of members for registration with the fisheries association.

Mr. Edgar Veloso asked whether passive fishing gears include nets and if there are regulations on mesh size. He also inquired whether poison fishing (hilo-hilo) still exists and noted that barangays have their own Bantay Dagat. A representative from Balite shared that BFAR provided seaweed assistance, which was later surrendered due to storm damage. Councilor Elmer emphasized that fish cages and fish pens must first be validated in terms of area before registration. Dr. Merlita stressed the need to identify the specific allowable area in square meters for fish cages and pens, as this is clearly stated in the Ordinance and will help maximize proper utilization. Mr. Barro reiterated the need for technical assistance from BFAR, noting that the larger the protected area established, the more restrictions will apply.

Dr. Merlita and Ms. Rowena agreed that the committee should formally seek assistance from BFAR. Ms. Rowena discussed specific provisions of the Ordinance, stating that under Section 6.2.2, Tagbubunga has sufficient data, which has already been submitted to the provincial government. For Section 6.3.1, she clarified that the Tourism Office will be responsible. Section 15 will be dependent on an existing Ordinance authored by Councilor Roque and will be referred accordingly.

For Section 16, Ms. Rowena explained the color-coding scheme: the upper portion will be white, while the waterline will be blue, with any shade of blue allowed. On registration renewal, she stated that licenses are renewed every 60 days, but many fishermen fail to renew when there are no sea operations. Operators who violate this should initially be encouraged through a first-offense warning.

Mr. Veloso proposed a ten-day grace period with no penalty, treated as a probationary period. For Section 22, enforcement will still be based on the amended Ordinance of Councilor Roque, requiring proof of ownership. If documents are lost, verification may be done through voter registration records and certification from the Municipal Agriculture Office (MAO).

Regarding Section 23, Mr. Veloso suggested that future consultations be conducted with neighboring municipalities such as Biliran and Tabango. Dr. Merlita stated that for Section 26, the creation of Barangay Fisheries Councils up to the Municipal level will be through an Executive Order, which may be amended. Once barangay councils are elected, the municipal council election may proceed.

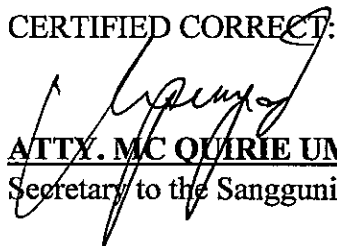
For Section 39, Item No. 8 was recommended for deletion, as suggested by Mr. Veloso. Section 40 provides for a total ban on compressors. The committee emphasized the need for stationed guards or Bantay Dagat in regulated fishing areas, especially during peak seasons, and suggested banning large fishing vessels, particularly those that are unregistered.

Ms. Rowena raised concerns under Section 42 regarding penalties, noting that the maximum fine is ₱2,500. For Section 44, that the budget concerns should be referred to the Budget Office and recommended the removal of the park ranger item.

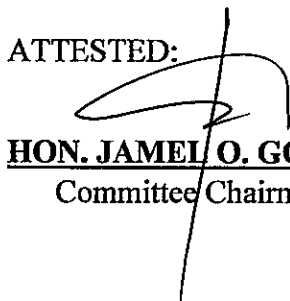
Mr. Victor Loon suggested that all motorized fishing vessels should be required to have steady lights for nighttime operations, although the specific color may still need clarification.

Without further deliberations, the public hearing ended at 11:59 in the morning.

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ATTY. MC QUIRIE UMPAD
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

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HON. JAMEL O. GONZALES
Committee Chairman



COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1, Series of 2026

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, MANAGEMENT, UTILIZATION AND CONSERVATION OF THE COASTAL AND FISHERIES RESOURCES, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FISHERIES ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLABA, LEYTE

FINDINGS

1. Coordination and technical assistance from the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) are necessary to properly determine municipal waters, considering changes in low tide levels due to climate change.
2. Coastal barangays should be included in identifying fishing grounds, as boundaries and available fishing areas vary per barangay.
3. Marine sanctuaries exist in some barangays (e.g., Tagbubunga) while others have none. Some previously established sanctuaries were dissolved due to mismanagement or illegal activities.
4. Fish cages and fish pens require area validation and clear specification of allowable size in square meters to ensure proper utilization.
5. Registration and licensing of fishing operators need regular monitoring, with provisions for a grace period to encourage compliance.
6. Budgetary allocations and support personnel require coordination with the Budget Office.
7. Safety measures, such as steady lights for motorized fishing vessels during nighttime operations, are necessary but need further specification.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Committee formally seek technical assistance from BFAR for the identification of municipal waters, establishment of protected areas, and proper monitoring of fishing activities.
2. Coastal barangays should be actively involved in mapping fishing grounds and managing marine sanctuaries to ensure community compliance.
3. Existing marine sanctuaries should be regulated, properly documented, and associations accredited according to Fisheries Ordinance requirements.
4. Implement a system for regular monitoring of fishing activities, including registration, licensing, and enforcement of passive and active fishing gear regulations.
5. Validate and clearly define allowable areas for fish cages and fish pens in the Ordinance to optimize sustainable use of municipal waters.
6. Establish a standardized penalty system with graduated fines to encourage compliance while considering first-time offenses.
7. Ensure enforcement of Ordinance provisions through coordination with barangay Bantay Dagat, Municipal Agriculture Office, and other concerned offices.

8. Address budget and personnel concerns through the appropriate offices to ensure proper implementation and monitoring of the Ordinance.

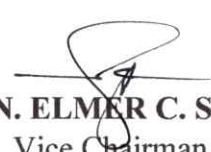
9 Require all motorized fishing vessels to have steady lights for nighttime operations, with further specifications to be clarified.

10. Encourage coordination and consultations with neighboring municipalities to ensure harmonized fisheries management in adjacent municipal waters.

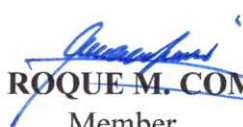


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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be conducted by the Sangguniang Bayan Committee on Agriculture, **February 3, 2026 at 9:30 in the morning at Sangguniang Bayan Session Hall**, this Municipality regarding the **Proposed Municipal Ordinance No. 05, S-2026** authored by Sangguniang Bayan Member **Jamel O. Gonzales** entitled:

"AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, MANAGEMENT, UTILIZATION AND CONSERVATION OF FISHERIES RESOURCES, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FISHERIES ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLABA"

The **Municipal Budget Officer, Municipal Agriculturist, Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer, Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator-Designate, Municipal Administrator, President of the Fisherfolk Associations, the 12 Coastal Sanggunang Barangay Committee Chairman on Agriculture, Municipal Fishery Coordinator, and all other interested parties** are invited to attend.

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