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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 7 of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Baybay City, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 7 entitled: **“An Ordinance establishing a city flag and a revised city hymn etc.”**

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office is of the opinion that the subject Ordinance is generally in accordance to its power under Section 447(a)¹ of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160). Hence, we recommend for the declaration of its validity.

We hope to have assisted you with this request. Please note that the opinion rendered by this Office are based on the facts available and may vary or change when additional facts and documents are presented or changed. This opinion is likewise without prejudice to the opinions rendered by higher and competent authorities and/or the courts.

ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL
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¹;(a) The sangguniang bayan, as the legislative body of the municipality, shall enact ordinances, approve resolutions and appropriate funds for the general welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants pursuant to Section 16 of this Code and in the proper exercise of the corporate powers of the municipality as provided for under Section 22 of this Code,

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1ST INDORSEMENT
31 July 2026

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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **City Ordinance No. 07, S. 2026 of the City of Baybay, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance establishing a city flag and a revised city hymn amending for such purpose City Ordinance No. 05, series of 2019, prescribing the Code of national flag, city seal, city hymn, motto and other historical items and devices in the City of Baybay.**


FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian





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JULY 31, 2026

The Sangguniang Panlalawigan
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To the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Leyte:

I am pleased to transmit herewith the Hard copy of the City Ordinance of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Baybay City:

1. City Ordinance No. 7, s. 2026 "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CITY FLAG AND A REVISED CITY HYMN AMENDING FOR SUCH PURPOSE CITY ORDINANCE NO. 05, S. 2019, PRESCRIBING THE CODE OF NATIONAL FLAG, CITY SEAL, CITY HYMN, MOTTO AND OTHER HISTORICAL ITEMS AND DEVICES IN THE CITY OF BAYBAY."

It is hoped that said Ordinance is in order and therefore, merits your kind consideration.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.


ATTY. VIVIAN E. VIDALLON
SP Secretary



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7TH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

ORDINANCE No. 07, S. 2026
26th Regular Session

Sangguniang Panlalawigan
Province of Leyte

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AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CITY FLAG AND A REVISED CITY HYMN AMENDING FOR SUCH PURPOSE CITY ORDINANCE NO. 05, SERIES OF 2019, PRESCRIBING THE CODE OF NATIONAL FLAG, CITY SEAL, CITY HYMN, MOTTO AND OTHER HISTORICAL ITEMS AND DEVICES IN THE CITY OF BAYBAY

Sponsored by:

Hon. Romulo B. Alcala

Hon. Jose Rommel A. Penaranda, Hon. Eduard Marque R. Guinocor, Hon. Fulton Ike C. Arradaza, Hon. Jules Lucas C. Cari

PREFATORY STATEMENT

WHEREAS, Section 16 of RA 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code mandates local government units to ensure and support the preservation and enrichment of its culture within its respective jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, City ordinance No. 05, S 2019 provides the Code of National Flag, City Seal, City Hymn, Motto and other historical items and devices in the City of Baybay, but lacks provision for the establishment of an official Baybay City Flag;

WHEREAS, the City of Baybay seeks to establish an official city flag that will serve as a distinct visual identity embodying the core values, rich heritage and collective pride of its constituents;

WHEREAS, it is equally a vital need to revise the Baybay City Hymn to ensure its lyrics and melody are more inclusive, accurately reflecting the contemporary aspirations, resilience and future of the Baybayanons;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, as it is hereby ordained by the 7TH Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Baybay, Province of Leyte, in its 26th Regular Session duly assembled that:

SECTION 1. A new Chapter for establishment of a City Flag is hereby incorporated after Chapter 2 in City Ordinance No. 5, Series of 2019, and shall be designated as Chapter 2-A with the following provisions.

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CHAPTER 2-A
THE BAYBAY CITY FLAG

Section 9-A. Description of the City Flag.

The Baybay City Flag tells the story of a city blessed with natural beauty, cultural heritage, and vibrant communities. Its blue and red colors, drawn from the Philippine flag, express patriotism and pride in Baybay's national identity. The upper left section highlights Mt. Pangasugan, the last frontier in the Visayas, known for its rich biodiversity and unspoiled landscapes. On the upper right, the flag features the Baybay City Boardwalk that represents Baybay's iconic "Barbeque by the Sea," transforming a physical landmark into a symbol of the city's soul. It honors the thriving savory culture that fuels the local economy and defines Baybayanon hospitality, proving that the city's identity is deeply rooted in the flavors and community found along its shores. The lower left displays more than just a spiritual sanctuary, the Parish Church, a historical landmark that mirrors the profound faith and rich ethnocultural background of the Baybayanons. The lower right illustrates the 16,000 Blossoms of Lintaon Peak, Baybay City's top tourist attraction, symbolizing growth, creativity, and the city's flourishing tourism landscape. Featured alongside it is the "Baybay Sweet" jackfruit, a locally grown product processed into export-quality vacuum-fried chips, showcasing the city's thriving agri-enterprise. At the heart of the flag stands the Veterans' Plaza Obelisk symbolizing freedom, hope, and Baybay City's commitment to progress and heritage.



Section 9-B. Use of the City Flag

The Baybay City Flag shall be displayed in LGU offices, Barangay, funded LGU building and during official functions. The Baybay City Flag shall be

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also displayed alongside with the Philippine National Flag in accordance with existing laws.

SECTION 2. Section 10, Chapter 3 of City Ordinance No. 5, Series of 2019 is hereby amended as follows;

Section 10. City Hymn. The official City Hymn of Baybay shall be entitled 'Mabuhí ang Baybay' (Baybay City Hymn 2025), which shall be sung in the local language during official programs, barangay ceremonies, and activities of the City Government, and shall remain the official musical composition of the City. Any modification shall require approval by the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

The following shall be the official lyrics of the City Hymn:

**"MABUHI ANG BAYBAY"
(Baybay City Hymn 2025)**

Namidpid sa kadagatan ang Baybay,
Gilangdongan sa daghang mga kakahoyan.

Ang silaw sa sayong kabuntagon,
May paglaum nga kita magmauswagon.
Ang mga kabukiran Nagdala'g kabugnaw sa atong dakbayan.

Ang kasadpang bulawanon naga-awhag
Sa hugot natong pagtinabangay
Kalihokan gipaabot sa dakbayan,

Labi na sa mga kabataan.

Kitang tanan maghiusa
Pag-alagad sa katawhan.

Maghiusa kitang tanan
Pag-atiman sa kinaiyahan
Mag-alayon ug pananom

Pagpalambo sa kanayonan

Pasidunggan ta ang Dakbayan sa Baybay

Kalinaw, Kahapsay, Kalamboan

Manunubos nag-abay kanato

Mabuhí ang Baybay!

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Mabuhi Ang Baybay

(Melody)

Lyrics: Alicia S. Go
Music: Daniel S. Saladaga

Arranged by
Jesus Freddy M. Baldos
Jimmel G. Barrantes
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Na-mid-pid sa ka-da-ga-tan ang Bay-bay Gi-lan-do-ngan sa dag-hang ma-nga ka -
-ka - ho-yan Ang si-law sa sa-yong ka-bun-ta-gon May pag -
B
-la-um nga ki-ta mag-ma-us-wa-gon Ang ma-nga ka-bu-ki-ran Nag-da -
-lag ka-bug-naw sa a-tong dak-ba-yan Ang ka-sad-pan bu-la-wa-nong na-ga -
-aw-hag Sa hu-got na-tong pag-ti-na-ba-ngay Ka-li -
C
-ho-kan gi-pa-a-bot sa dak-ba-yan La-bi na sa ma-nga ka-ba-ta -
-an Ki-tang ta-nan mag-hi-u-sa Pag-a-la-gad sa ka-taw -
D
-han Mag-hi-u-sa ki-tang ta-nan Pag-a-ti-man sa ki-na-i-ya -
-han Mag-a-la-yon ug pa-na-nom Pag-pa-lam-bo sa ka-na-yo-nan Pa-si -
E
-dungan ta ang dak-ba-yan sa Bay-bay Ka-li-naw Ka-hap-say Ka-lam-bu-an Ma-nu -
-nu-bos nag-a-bay ka na-to Ma-bu-hi ang Bay-bay

SECTION 3. Separability Clause. If any part or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. Repealing Clause. All executive orders, memorandum orders, memorandum circulars, administrative orders, ordinances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Effectivity Clause. This Zoning Ordinance shall take effect after due compliance with all the requirements provided under RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code

Enacted: July 2, 2026
Baybay City, Leyte, Philippines.

CARRIED BY ALL OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT:

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RESOLVED FURTHER, that certified copies of this ORDINANCE be furnished to the City Mayor Honorable Jose Carlos L. Cari, City Administrator Florante Cayunda Jr.; City Legal Officer, Atty. Avito C. Cahig, Jr.; OIC City Budget Officer, Noel V. Managbanag; City Accountant Jay Ryan Austero; City Treasurer Alberta A. Manatad, CLGOO Juvy C. Pedrera, and to all other offices/agencies/entities concerned for their information, guidance and appropriate action.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance.


ATTY. VIVIAN C. ENARIO-VIDALLON
Secretary to the Sanggunian

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TO BE DULY ADOPTED**

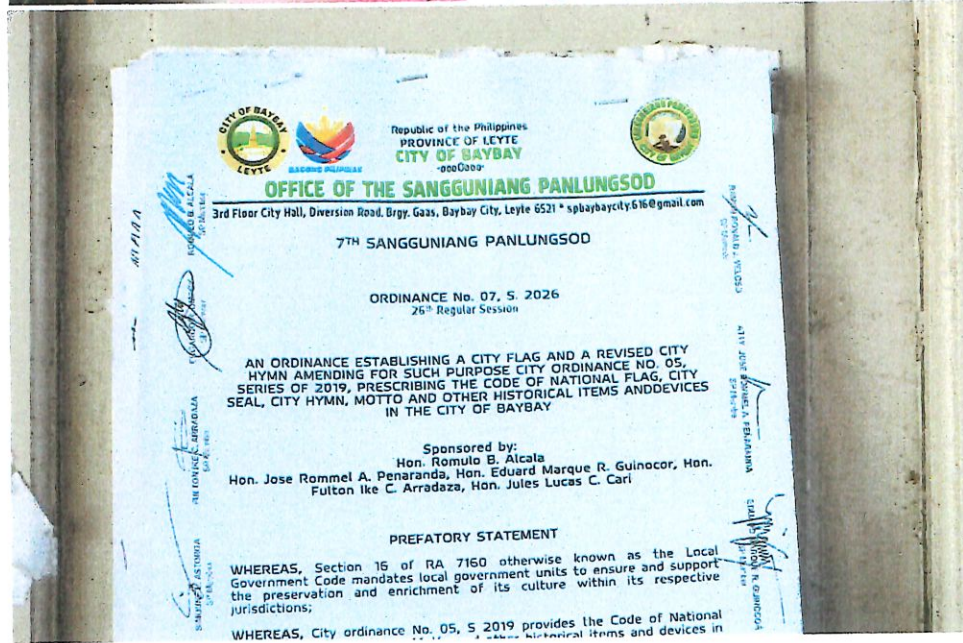

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CONFORME:


ENGR. JOSE CARLOS L. CARI
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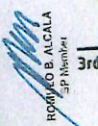
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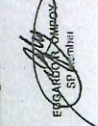
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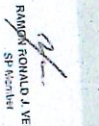
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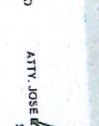
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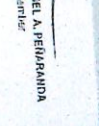
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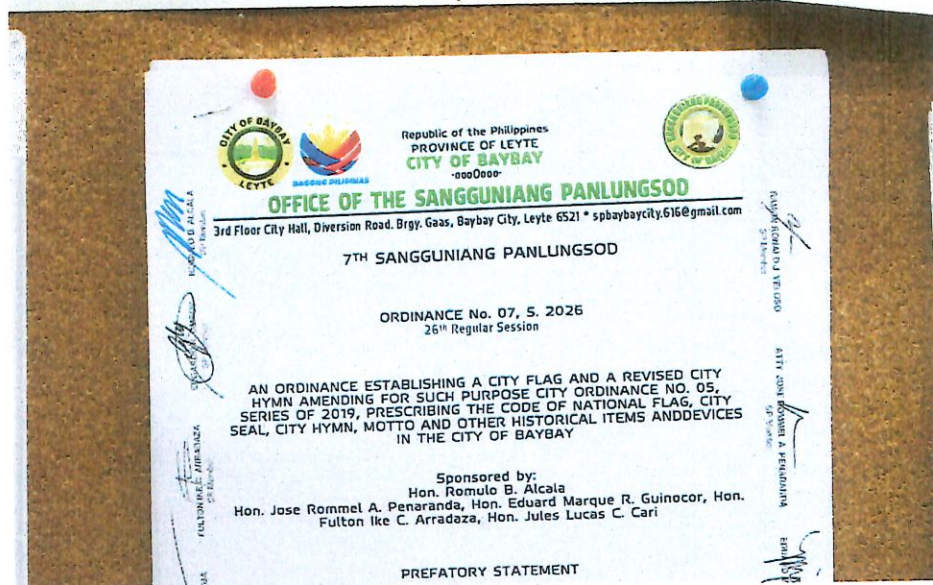
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C E R T I F I C A T I O N

TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the City Ordinance No. 07, S. 2026 "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CITY FLAG AND A REVISED CITY HYMN AMENDING FOR SUCH PURPOSE CITY ORDINANCE NO. 05, S. 2019, PRESCRIBING THE CODE OF NATIONAL FLAG, CITY SEAL, CITY HYMN, MOTTO AND OTHER HISTORICAL ITEMS AND DEVICES IN THE CITY OF BAYBAY" was posted in the bulletin board at the Legislative Department, New City Hall, Diversion Road, the Public Market and Baybay City Bus and Terminal immediately upon approval.

Issued this 29th day of July 2026, at Baybay City, Leyte.


ATTY. VIVIAN E. VIDALLON
SP Secretary