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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 2026-12 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Hindang, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 2026-12 entitled: **“Fish and Seafood Vending Ordinance”**

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office is of the opinion that the subject Ordinance is generally in accordance with its power under Section 447(a)(5)(v) and (iv)¹ of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160). Hence, we recommend for the declaration of its validity.

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

ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL
Provincial Legal Officer

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

(v) Regulate the use of streets, avenues, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, parks and other public places and approve the construction, improvement, repair and maintenance of the same; establish bus and vehicle stops and terminals or regulate the use of the same by privately-owned vehicles which serve the public; regulate garages and the operation of conveyances for hire; designate stands to be occupied by public vehicles when not in use; regulate the putting up of signs, signposts, awnings and awning posts on the streets; provide for the lighting, cleaning and sprinkling of streets and public places;

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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Ordinance No. 2026-12** of the **Municipality of Hindang, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance prohibiting unauthorized fish and seafood vending in designated poblacion areas of Hindang, Leyte and providing penalties for violations thereof.**

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FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF HINDANG,
LEYTE, IN ITS REGULAR SESSION HELD ON AUGUST 03, 2026 AT THE SB
SESSION HALL

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-12

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING UNAUTHORIZED FISH AND SEAFOOD VENDING IN
DESIGNATED POBLACION AREAS OF HINDANG, LEYTE AND PROVIDING
PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF

Authored by:

Hon. Clotilde P. Abenoja- Guinocor

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Hindang recognizes the need to ensure the free flow of traffic, maintain public safety, and preserve cleanliness and orderliness within the town proper;

WHEREAS, illegal fish vending activities along the highway and within the designated perimeter of Barangays Poblacion 1 and Poblacion 2 cause traffic obstruction, pose sanitation issues, and endanger the safety of the public, especially pedestrians and customers;

WHEREAS, such practices also create unfair competition against legitimate and duly registered stallholders inside the public market, thereby undermining the local economy and the Municipality's market operations;

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Hindang, Leyte, in regular session duly assembled, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Fish and Seafood Vending Prohibition Ordinance".

SECTION 2. PROHIBITION. For purposes of this Ordinance, vending of fish, seafood, shells, and similar products shall only be allowed within areas duly designated by the Municipal Government as Authorized Vending Areas.

It shall be unlawful for any person, whether or not holding a valid business permit, to sell, peddle, or engage in ambulant vending of fish, seafood, shells, and similar products outside the Authorized Vending Areas, including selling through or from tricycles, motorcycles, bicycles, pushcarts, stalls-on-wheels, motor vehicles, or any similar means of transport, in the following locations:

- Within the perimeter of Barangay Poblacion 1 and Barangay Poblacion 2, as specifically identified and illustrated in Annex "A" attached hereto and made an integral part of this Ordinance, bounded by Lopez Jaena Street, F. Romano Street, Acompañado Street, Abrasaldo Street, and Bonifacio Street, including all streets, sidewalks, road shoulders, public spaces, and vacant lots located within the covered area; and

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(ORDINANCE NO 2026-12 of Hindang, Leyte, entitled: "Fish and Seafood Vending Prohibition Ordinance"....continued)

b) Along the national highway stretch starting from the bridge in Barangay Tabok immediately before the Hindang Old Cemetery, up to the boundary of Barangay Poblacion 1, Municipality of Hindang, Province of Leyte, as likewise shown in Annex "A", at any time of the day or night.

The prohibited area shall likewise include a buffer zone extending ten (10) meters inward and outward from the boundaries described herein and illustrated in Annex "A". No person shall sell, display for sale, peddle, or engage in ambulant vending of fish, seafood, shells, and similar products within such buffer zone, whether on public property, road shoulders, sidewalks, vacant lots, easements, or private property accessible to the public.

SECTION 2-A. MAP OF COVERED AREA. The areas covered by this Ordinance are more particularly illustrated in the sketch map attached as Annex "A", which forms an integral part of this Ordinance. In case of doubt regarding the exact boundaries of the prohibited areas, the map and boundary descriptions contained in Annex "A" shall serve as the official reference for purposes of interpretation and enforcement of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS

For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms are hereby defined as follows:

- a. Fish and Seafood Products – refer to fresh, dried, processed, or raw fish, crustaceans, mollusks, shellfish, and other aquatic products intended for human consumption, including shells and similar by-products.
- b. Selling or Vending – refers to the act of offering for sale, displaying for sale, hawking, peddling, or engaging in any commercial transaction involving fish, seafood, shells, and similar products, whether on a permanent, temporary, mobile, or ambulatory basis.
- c. Ambulant seafood vendor- sells seafood products while going around streets, neighborhoods, or highways often carrying the goods or using a cart/motorcycle instead of staying in one fixed stall or store in an authorized vending area
- d. Perimeter – refers to the clearly defined geographic boundaries within Barangay Poblacion 1 and Barangay Poblacion 2, including streets, sidewalks, road shoulders, and public spaces bounded by Lopez Jaena Street, F. Romano Street, Acompañado Street, Abrasaldo Street, and Bonifacio Street, as well as the specified highway stretch covered by this Ordinance.
- e. Highway Stretch – refers to the portion of the national highway within the Municipality of Hindang, Province of Leyte, beginning from the bridge in Barangay Tabok, located immediately before the Hindang Old Cemetery, and extending up to the boundary of Barangay Poblacion 1.
- f. Public Market – refers to the duly established and authorized municipal public market or fish market where the sale of fish and seafood products is legally permitted and regulated by the Municipal Government.
- g. Hindang Economic Zone – refers to the designated commercial, business, and public activity area within the Municipality of Hindang, including but not limited to the town proper and surrounding zones as may be declared by the Municipal Government, where economic activities are regulated to ensure public order, sanitation, traffic safety, and fair trade practices.

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SECTION 6. ENFORCEMENT MEASURES. In addition to the fines herein imposed, duly authorized enforcement officers may order the immediate cessation of any vending activity being conducted in violation of this Ordinance and require the vendor to vacate and remove all goods, equipment, and materials from the prohibited area.



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SECTION 7. DISPOSITION OF CONFISCATED GOODS. Any fish, seafood, shells, and similar products confiscated during apprehension shall be immediately turned over to the Municipal Police Station of Hindang and/or the Municipal Government of Hindang, through the Office of the Department of Agriculture or such other appropriate office as may be designated by the Municipal Mayor, for proper inventory and documentation.

Said confiscated goods shall be utilized for the following purposes:

- a. Consumption of detainees at the Hindang Municipal Police Station;
- b. Officially sanctioned feeding programs of the Municipality of Hindang intended for identified beneficiaries of municipal feeding programs; and
- c. Other lawful public purposes as may be determined by the Municipal Government, subject to existing accounting, auditing, and food safety laws, rules, and regulations.

SECTION 8. IMPLEMENTING AGENCY. The Municipal Treasurer's Office (MTO), the Market Supervisor, and the Philippine National Police (PNP) in coordination with Barangay Officials concerned, shall be tasked to strictly enforce this ordinance.

SECTION 9. REPEALING CLAUSE. All ordinances, rules, regulations, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any part or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining provisions shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval and compliance with the posting requirements under existing laws.

ENACTED this 3rd day of August, 2026 by this Sanggunian in its regular session held for the purpose at the SB Session Hall, this Municipality, with the following votes:

Yes (9) No (0) Abstain (0)


CLOTILDE A. GUINOCOR
SB Member

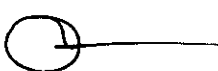

SALVADOR E. BANEZ, JR.
SB Member


LEONIDA A. CAVITE
SB Member


JOSE NAPOLEON D. MONTERO
SB Member













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SORIANO B. DELALAMON
SB Member


MIKHAEL ANNE GELO DABOYME
SB Member


SEAN RYAN MARK C. CABAL
SB Member


RODULFO C. DARGANTES
Ex-Officio Member- LNB Pres.


ADRIAN PAUL G. ASTORGA
Ex-Officio Member-SK Fed. Pres.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


ANNABEL A. MABALE
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED TO BE DULY ADOPTED:

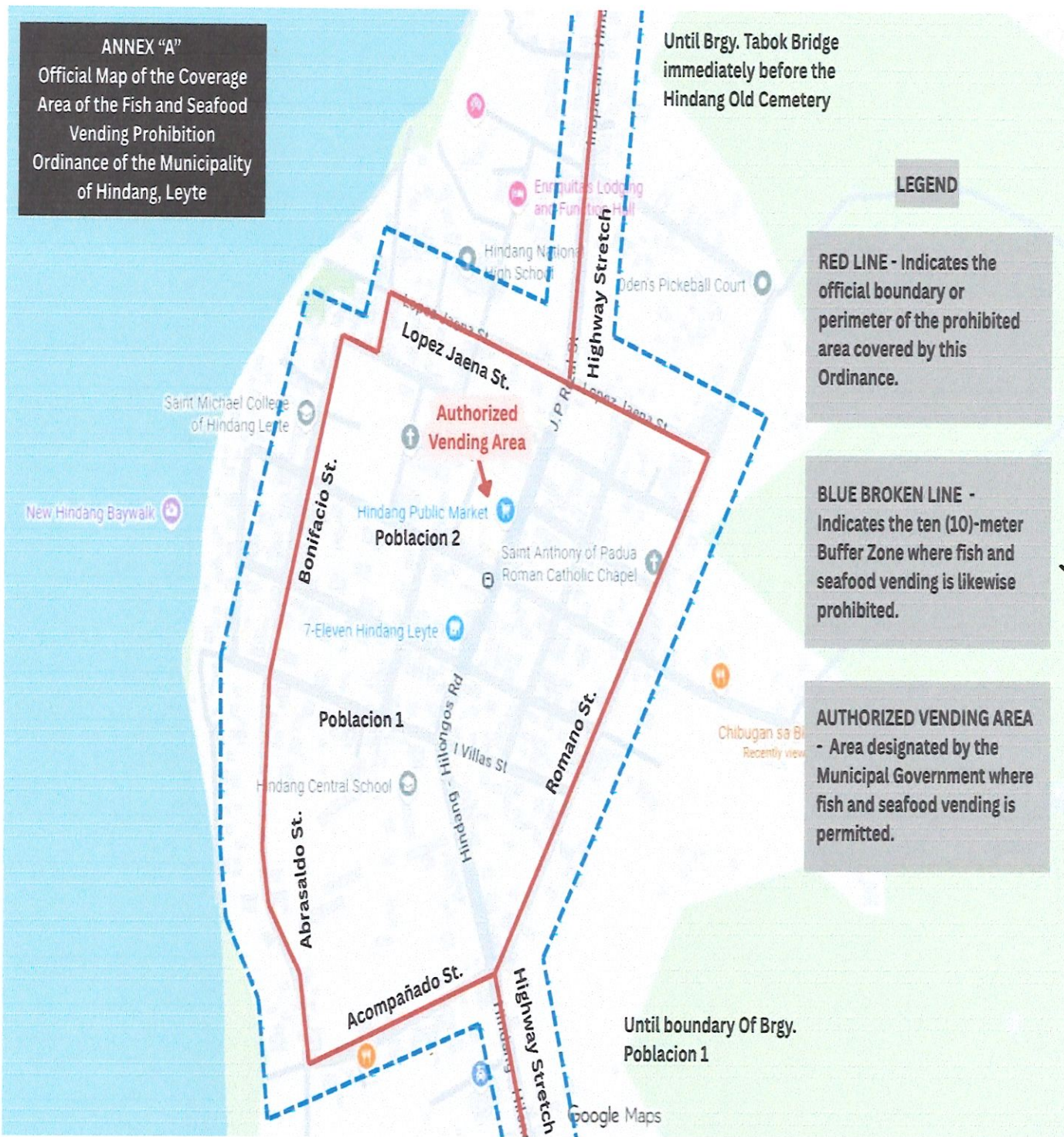

TEODULO A. CLAVEJO
SB Member-Temporary
Presiding Officer

APPROVED:


ELPIDIO B. CABAL, JR.
Municipal Mayor

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ANNEX "A"





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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY *that* ORDINANCE NO. 2026-12 of the Sangguniang Bayan, Hindang, Leyte, RE: *"An Ordinance prohibiting unauthorized fish and seafood vending in designated Poblacion areas of Hindang, Leyte and providing penalties for violations thereof"*, had been correspondingly posted in the Municipal Hall and two (2) conspicuous places of the municipality as prescribed under the Local Government Code of 1991 otherwise known as Republic Act 7160.

GIVEN this 28th day of August, 2026 at Hindang, Leyte, Philippines.


ANNABEL A. MABALE
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY *that a PUBLIC HEARING was actually conducted last July 21, 2026 relative to ORDINANCE NO. 2026 -12 of the Sangguniang Bayan, this municipality, RE: "An Ordinance prohibiting unauthorized fish and seafood vending in designated Poblacion areas of Hindang, Leyte and providing penalties for violations thereof", as prescribed under the Local Government Code of 1991.*

THIS CERTIFICATION *is issued in compliance with the requirements as provided for under Republic Act 7160.*

GIVEN this 28th day of August, 2026 at Hindang, Leyte, Philippines.


ANNABEL A. MABALE
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTENDANCE SHEET

PUBLIC HEARING on proposed ordinances :

- An Ordinance Imposing Regulatory and Other Fees on Foreign Cruise Ship Tourist Visiting Himokilan Island, being the portion of the Cuarto Islas Protected Landscape & Seascape (CIPLS) within the Territorial Jurisdiction of the Municipality of Hindang , by Hon. Clotilde A. Guinocor;
- An Ordinance Promoting Road Safety and Regulating Certain Traffic and Vehicle Operations within the Municipality of Hindang, Leyte, providing administrative fines for violations thereof, and for other purposes, by Hon. Salvador E. Bañez, Jr.
- An Ordinance Prohibiting Unauthorized Fish And Seafood Vending in designated Poblacion Areas Of Hindang, Leyte and providing penalties for violations thereof, by Hon. Clotilde A. Guinocor;

JULY 21, 2026 @ 8:00AM , SB Conference Hall, LGU Hindang

Name	Barangay	Gender		Signature
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1. ROWENA M. LACASPI	TABOK 4PS		✓	
2. MARISA A. LARGONDO	TABOK 4PS		✓	
3. EFREN M. RALLOS	BONTOC	✓		
4. FLORENDA P. SERUT	HIMACUGO		✓	
5. CATHERINE D. AGRADO	HIMACUGO		✓	
6. WILMA B. MEDIA	KATIPUNAN		✓	
7. Imelda L. Canedo	DOB del Norte		✓	
8. Melchora Y. Canliga	Pob. I OSCA		✓	
9. Victoriano A. Degamon Jr.	BALDOCK	✓		
10. Rudygn B. Batelo	ANOLON	✓		
11. EDGARDO O. CRISTINO	BONTOC	✓		
12. JETTY A. Olojati	Anahaw	✓		
13. JETTY S. PINMATE	DDS	✓		
14. RCT EFREN SUBONG DA	COP Hindang	✓		
15. Ed Mark Anthony F. Milano	PNP Hindang	✓		
16. ADRIAN N. UGAD	HATHILUM	✓		
17. ADRIAN N. UGAD	HATHILUM	✓		
18. SEGUNDINA B. TINOLAN	ANOLON		✓	
19. Rodulfo C. Dargantes	Campana-cayan	✓		
20. Angelina B. Bando	Capadlosan		✓	
21. Noel A. BENOVA	LAGASON	✓		
22. RICHARDO M. ALERANCA JR	BONTOC	✓		
23. JFOZ Emmanuel S. Calangit	BTP Hindang	✓		
24. JFOZ Lm P. Gopi	BTP Hindang	✓		
25. FOS Lmly C. more	BTP Hindang		✓	
26. LOWIE R. TORANTE	P/O DDS	✓		
27. Benildelis K. de Oza	Pob. I	✓		
28. JOSE MARTEEN D. MONTE	LGU-SB	✓		
29. LORIDA A. CRITA	SB in		✓	
30. CLOTILDE A. GUINOCOR	SBM		✓	

31. SORIANO B. DEZALANON	LGU SRM	M		
32. PEDRO A. CRANZO	" "	M		
33. VICTORIA N. FULSUE	MT / POB. 1		F	
34. ARVILTO P. ABANO	SB / POB. 2	M		
35. Mica Manatad	POB del Cur		F	
36. Maria Janheon V. Semblante	POB 1		F	
37. Myrna C. Abasola	LLSO II - SBO		F	
38. Rom T. Villacorte	POB-1		F	
39. Arlene Ledes	Tabok		F	
40. LUIS DE LEM	POB. 2	M		
41. Mary Jane Z. Araugo	POB-1		F	
42. ANTONIO REMOTO	POB-2	M		
43. Melody Apas	Tabok		F	
44. Rosalita G. Sulmon	Tagbiki		F	
45. Deborah Caligas	DDN		F	
46. Andre Abano	DDN	M		
47. Leah Corpin	Tabok		F	
48. Lyca Abasola	Ma-arin		F	
49. Eric Guazon	Tabok	M		
50. Jessa Resula	POB2		F	
51. Socrates Jr. Alenaria	ARMO Maff Tagbiki	M		
52. Jeama Kesiya G. Abundo	LGU-LYDO		F	
53. Leona Albesa	Anolon		F	
54. Danila Albesa	San Vicente		F	
55. Mama Maglin Gudone	POB-1		F	
56. Katherine Santrago	Anolon		F	
57. IVY BALINA	POB. 1		F	
58. RECENTE BETCHER	POB. 2	M		
59. Justine Ann Amado	Hindang		F	
60. Jessa Declano	Tagbiki		F	
61. Mary Jean B. Sanchez	Tabok		F	
62. PENITAGUA B. MIRA	POB-F		F	
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