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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 12 of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Baybay City, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 12 entitled: **“BCSCCCC 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)(1)¹ of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160) in relation to RA 9994². 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
Provincial Legal Officer

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, and shall:

(1) Approve ordinances and pass resolutions necessary for an efficient and effective municipal government,

² “Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010”

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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **City Ordinance No. 12, S. 2026 of the City of Baybay, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance institutionalizing the Baybay City Senior Citizen's Center, prescribing its operational guidelines, and for other purposes.**


FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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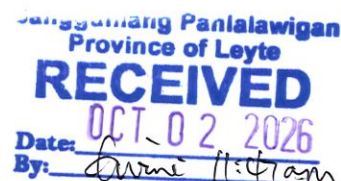


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October 2, 2026

The Sangguniang Panlalawigan
Province of Leyte
Tacloban City



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. 12, s. 2026 "AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE BAYBAY CITY SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTER, PRESCRIBING ITS OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES, AND FOR OTER PURPOSES."

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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ORDINANCE No. 12, S. 2026
 36th Regular Session

"AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE BAYBAY CITY SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTER, PRESCRIBING ITS OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Author: Hon. Romulo B. Alcala, Hon. Jose L. Bacusmo,
 Hon. Fulton Ike C. Arradaza and Hon. Edgardo R. Ompoy.

PREFATORY STATEMENT

WHEREAS, Section 11, Article XIII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development, making essential goods, health, and other social services available to all people at affordable cost, with priority given to the needs of the elderly;

WHEREAS, Republic act No. 7876, otherwise known as the *"Senior Citizens Center Act of the Philippines,"* mandates the establishment of a Senior Citizens Center in every city and municipality under the direct supervision of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) in coordination with the local government units (LGUs);

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9994, or the *"Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010,"* reinforces the State's responsibility to encourage senior citizens to contribute to community development and ensure their active participation in society;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11350 also known as the National Commission of Senior Citizen's Act, is the Philippine Government Agency created to protect, oversee, and promote the welfare of Filipino Senior Citizens.

WHEREAS, the City government of Baybay recognizes the invaluable contributions of senior citizens to the city's growth and development and seeks to establish a dedicated, safe, accessible, and functional center to cater to their social, educational, recreational, and health needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the 7th Sangguniang Panlungsod of Baybay City, Leyte, in its 36th Regular Session assembled, that:

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 SP Member

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ARTICLE I
GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Baybay City Senior Citizens' Community Care Center (BCSCCCC) Prescribing its Operational Guidelines, and for other purposes."

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. It is hereby declared the policy of the City Government of Baybay to protect and promote the well-being of senior citizens. The City shall institutionalize a venue where elderly residents can interact, engage in productive activities, access essential social and health services, and continuously participate in community-building.

SECTION 3. INSTITUTIONALIZATION AND LOCATION. The Baybay City Senior Citizens' Community Care Center (BCSCCCC) is hereby institutionalized as a permanent facility of the City Government of Baybay.

The City Government shall be established and provide in an accessible location within Baybay City, designed to be barrier-free and senior-friendly in compliance with Batas Pambansa Blg. 344 (Accessibility Law).

ARTICLE II
OBJECTIVES AND FUNCTIONS

SECTION 4. OBJECTIVES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE CENTER. Pursuant to R.A. 7876, the BCSCCCC shall serve as a multi-purpose center serving the following functions:

1. **Social and Recreational:** Provide a venue for sports, cultural, social, and entertainment activities tailored for senior citizens.
2. **Health and Wellness:** Offer free basic health assessments, physical therapy guidance, nutrition counseling, medical referrals, and fitness programs.
3. **Livelihood and Skills Development:** Conduct seminars, training workshops, and livelihood programs adapted to the capabilities and interest of elderly residents.
4. **Educational and Information Services:** Provide access to reading materials, digital literacy training, and lectures on legal rights, benefits, and statutory entitlements under the law.
5. **Counseling and Legal Support:** Provide psycho-social support, group counseling, and referral services for legal aid.
6. **Coffee and Socialization Counter:** is a shared physical bar or station where people gather to drink coffee and talk. It acts as a community hub to spark daily connections.
7. **One Stop-Shop Transactions:** All processing of Senior Citizens' legal papers and documents not limited to benefits, grants, government financial supports, shall be rendered fully in the center.

SECTION 5. ADMINISTRATION AND SUPERVISION.

1. **Lead Agency:** The center shall operate under the direct administrative supervision of the City Social Welfare and

Development Office (CSWDO), in close coordination with the Office for Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA), the DSWD and the NCSC R8.

2. **Center Head:** A designated Center Director or Coordinator shall be appointed by the City Mayor from the regular staff of the CSWDO to oversee daily operations.
3. **Steering Committee:** A Senior Citizens' Center Steering Committee shall be established to formulate policy recommendations and evaluate center performance. The Committee shall be composed of:
 - a. City Mayor (or designated representative) – *Chairperson*
 - b. CSWDO Head – *Vice-Chairperson*
 - c. OSCA Head – *Member*
 - d. President, Federation of Senior Citizens Associations of Baybay City – *Member*
 - e. Chairperson, SP Committee on Social Services/Senior Citizens – *Member*
 - f. City Health Officer – *Member*
 - g. BCSCCCC Coordinator or Director

SECTION 6. OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES AND RULES OF USE.

1. **Eligibility:** All registered senior citizens (aged 60 and above) residing in Baybay City who hold a valid OSCA Identification Card are entitled to use the facilities and participate in the center's programs free of charge.
2. **Operating Hours:** The Center shall operate from Monday to Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, except on public holidays, or during designated weekend special events authorized by the CSWDO.
3. **Code of Conduct:** Users shall maintain a respectful, safe, and clean environment. Alcohol consumption, illegal gambling, smoking (including e-cigarettes), and disruptive behavior are strictly prohibited within the premises.

ARTICLE III FINAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATIONS AND FUNDING. The funding required for the initial implementation, maintenance, staffing, and facility upgrades of the Center shall be charged against the annual allocation for Senior Citizens and Persons with Disability (PWD) under the City's Annual Local Development Investment Program (LDIP) and Annual Budget. Supplemental operational funds may also be sourced from grants, donations, and national agency support.

SECTION 8. DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS. The BCSCC is authorized to accept donations, gifts, bequests, and grants from local or international organizations, strictly dedicated to the enhancement of center programs and services, subject to accounting and auditing rules.

SECTION 9. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS (IRR). Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Ordinance, the CSWDO, in

consultation with OSCA and the Federation of Senior Citizens Associations of Baybay City, shall formulate and issue the necessary Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) for the operational execution of this Ordinance.

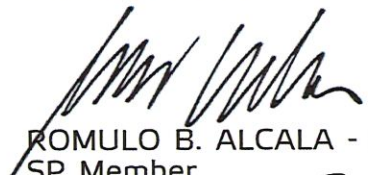
SECTION 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. REPEALING CLAUSE. All ordinances, executive orders, rules, and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 12. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect after due compliance with all the requirements provided under RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code.

Enacted: September 9, 2026
Baybay City, Leyte, Philippines.

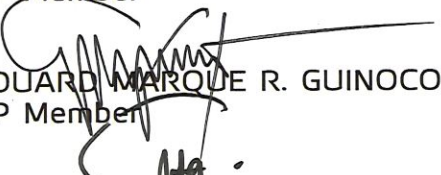
CARRIED BY ALL OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT:


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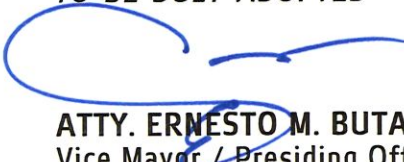
RESOLVED FURTHER, that certified copies of this ORDINANCE be furnished to the City Mayor Honorable Jose Carlos L. Cari, City Administrator Florante Cayunda Jr.; City Legal Officer, Atty. Avito C. Cahig, Jr.; OIC City Budget Officer, Noel V. Managbanag; City Accountant Jay Ryan Austero; City Treasurer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

I HEREBY CERTIFY the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance.



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

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TO BE DULY ADOPTED*



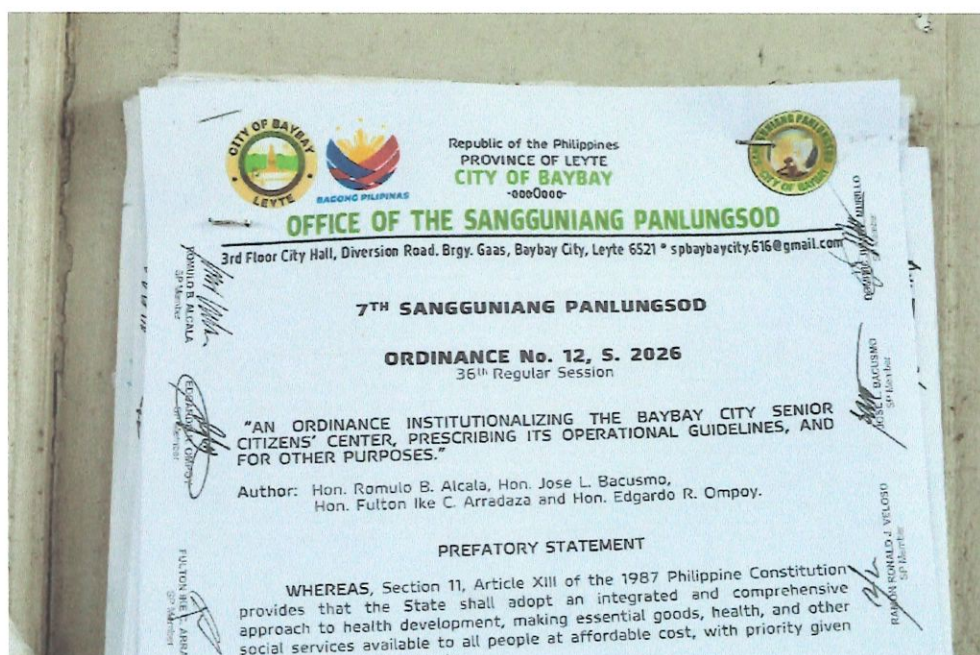
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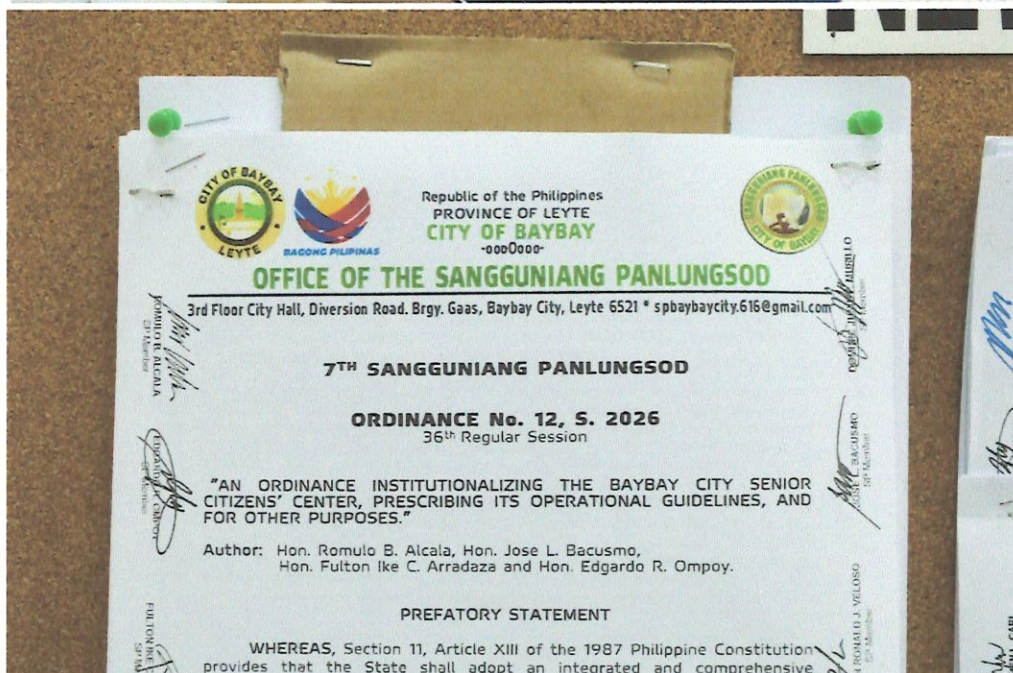
ENGR. JOSE CARLOS L. CARI
City Mayor

Date: September 30, 2021



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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. 12, S. 2026 "AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE BAYBAY CITY SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTER, PRESCRIBING ITS OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES, AND FOR OTER PURPOSES." 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 1st day of October 2026, at Baybay City, Leyte.

ATTY. VIVIAN E. VIDALLON
SP Secretary