

**REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS
TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
LUNGSOD NG BAKOLOD**

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**CITY ORDINANCE NO. 987
FEBRUARY 16, 2022**

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE LIGHT A TREE IN THE BACOLOD PUBLIC PLAZA COMPETITION EVERY MONTH OF DECEMBER, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 emphasizes that "local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture";

WHEREAS, to sustain the spirit in celebration of the birth of Christ, the lighting of trees in the City's Public Plaza "Ill Be A Symbol Of Hope For The Lord's Coming";

WHEREAS, giving cash incentives to participants will give them motivation and unleash their creativeness in mixing up the colors of lights that they will don to the tree assigned to them;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod in session assembled, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the Bacolod City Light A Tree Ordinance.


SECTION 2. LIGHT A TREE COMPETITION. Every December of each year, all the trees in the Bacolod Public Plaza will be assigned to a Participant Barangay that will don the tree with Christmas Lights.

SECTION 3. PRIZES. The prizes will be the following:

First Prize -	One Hundred Thousand Pesos
Second Prize -	Fifty Thousand Pesos
Third Prize -	Thirty Thousand Pesos
People's Choice Award -	Ten Thousand Pesos

SECTION 4. PARTICIPANTS. All Barangays are encouraged to join the said competition, Barangays who are willing to join the same shall submit a Letter of Intent to the City Tourism Office not later than September 30 of the current year. The City Tourism Office will announce the list of Participant Barangays with their assigned tree in the Bacolod City Public Plaza on or before October 30 of the current year.

The Participant Barangays will be categorized into Small and Big Barangays Category, where the Small Barangays will be the Numbered Barangays and the Big Barangays will be the Named Barangays.

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The competition will run from December 1 to 31 of each year.

SECTION 5. PANEL OF JUDGES. The panel of judges of the said competition shall be a five-member panel to be chosen by the following:

1. City Mayor
2. City Vice Mayor
3. City Tourism Officer
4. Chairperson, SP Committee on Tourism
5. Chairperson, SP Committee on Arts and Culture

The Bacolod Public Information Office shall post the picture of lightened tree of a Participant Barangay in their social media page, and the most number of reactions shall be awarded the People's Choice Award.

SECTION 6. CRITERIA. The criteria for judging will be the following:

Creativity-	40%
Design -	30%
Synchronization-	20%
Audience-	10%
Total-	100%

SECTION 7. AWARDING. The awarding ceremony shall be on December 31 of each year.

SECTION 8. BUDGET. The City shall appropriate an annual budget of at least Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php 500,000.00) to be taken from the General Fund.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative :

Councilors : Cindy T. Rojas, Renecito S. Novero, Simplicia Z. Distrito, Carlos Jose V. Lopez, Al Victor A. Espino, Archie S. Baribar, Israel P. Salanga, Dindo C. Ramos, Bartolome N. Orola, Sr., Ana Marie V. Palermo, Wilson C. Gamboa Jr., Lady Gles Gonzales-Pallen, Ayesha Joy Y. Villaflor.

Negative : N o n e.

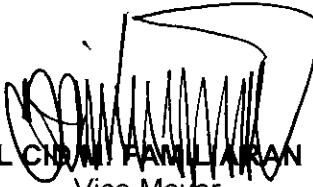
Absent : N o n e.

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Passed : February 16, 2022 (137th Regular Session of the 10th Council via Zoom Teleconference)

Comments : Passed.



EL CIRIO FAMILIARAN
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:



ATTY. VICENTE C. PETIERRE III
Secretary to the Sanggunian

APPROVED:

Feb. 23, 2022



EVELIO R. LEONARDIA
City Mayor

VCP/CGT/ngb

SP LEGISLATIVE
SERVICES SECTION

DATE: 3/4/2022 TIME: 9 AM

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