

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

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CITY ORDINANCE NO. 08-15-717

February 17, 2015

AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE BACOLOD CITY SPORTS RUNNERS COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, Section 15 of Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the state shall protect the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 mandates every local government unit to ensure and support the promotion of health and safety for the general welfare of the people;

WHEREAS, walk, jog, run and marathon races have become a popular sports event and recreation among the people of Bacolod;

WHEREAS, numerous fun run events have been conducted for several years as promotion of sports tourism and health consciousness in the City of Bacolod;

WHEREAS, these stated popular sports and recreation contributes health and social development among participants;

WHEREAS, there is a need to strengthen the government services and support to run clubs, groups, associations and federations especially in promoting the safety of the participants specifically the joggers, runners, walkers and marathoners as well as the bystanders or spectators;

WHEREAS, as highly urbanize city and having potential areas for hosting national and international fun run events, a comprehensive policy direction can be made for its development;

WHEREAS, there is a need to establish a council for Bacolod City which will create policy direction, monitor and supervise these sports and recreation events and activities, implement rules and regulations that strengthen the partnership between non government organizations and institutions, the local government and its line agencies.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED as it is hereby **ORDAINED** by the Sangguniang Panlungsod in session assembled, that:

Section 1. Short Title. This ordinance shall be known as "The Sports Runners Council Ordinance of Bacolod City".

Section 2. Scope. The application of this ordinance shall be limited to walk, jog, run and marathon events falling within the definition of the terms referred to herein, concerned Departments of the City Government and all public and private juridical persons in the City.

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Section 3. Definition of Terms.

- a. **Fun Run** – refers to a footrace run for exercise and pleasure by runners or by a large number of people who are sponsored for a charity.
- b. **Run Race** – a competition of speed in running in which participants struggle to be the winner.
- c. **Runner** – refers to someone who travels on foot by running.
- d. **Jog** – run at a steady gently pace as a form of physical exercise.
- e. **Jogging** – is a form of running but at a slow or leisurely pace with less stress on the body.
- f. **Running** – a means of terrestrial locomotion allowing humans to move rapidly on foot and faster than a walk.
- g. **Marathon** – a long distance footrace runs on an open course and generally an endurance contest usually of 26 miles, 385 yards, 195 meters or 42.2 kilometers.
- h. **Ultra marathon** – a footrace run beyond the standard marathon, typically begin at 50 kilometers and can extend to enormous distance with no limit.

Section 4. Bacolod City Sports Runners Council. For the purpose of this ordinance, a Bacolod City Runners Council shall be established which will be composed of the following:

- Chairman** : Head
Office of Youth and Sports Development
- Honorary Chair** : City Mayor
- Vice Chairman** : President of all duly accredited Run Clubs, Associations,
Organizations and Federations of Bacolod City
- Honorary Vice Chair** : Vice Mayor

Members:

- a. SP Chairman on Committee on Youth and Sports
 - b. Bacolod Traffic Authority Office (BTAO)
 - c. Traffic Management Unit (TMU)
 - d. Public Information Office
 - e. Permits and Licensing
 - f. City Health Office
 - g. Amity Volunteer Fire Brigade
 - h. Chamber Volunteer Fire Brigade
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- i. Philippine Red Cross
- j. City Tourism Office
- k. At least 5 representatives from City Accredited Runners Club, association or group duly elected by Group of Accredited Runners Fun Club or Association in a meeting called for such purpose.

Section 5. Functions of the Bacolod City Sports Runners Council. The Bacolod City Sports Council shall have the following functions:

- a. Recommend the identification and establishment of a runners lane in public roads, streets and highways where the City of Bacolod has jurisdiction to the Sangguniang Panlungsod.
- b. Formulate and implement security and safety measures for every events including the establishment of first aid stations.
- c. Identify the place of activities for every events and coordinate with the Local Barangay Officials therein.
- d. Coordinate with the Public Information Office (PIO) as to the promotion of every events.
- e. Serves as Supervisory Body of all stated events conducted in the City of Bacolod of any private and public entity, and accredited or non accredited runners groups, clubs, organizations, associations or federations.
- f. Shall recommend policies and measures to the Sangguniang Panlungsod or to the Office of the City Mayor as the case maybe, with regards to race and non-race issues, liabilities, or penalties of the organizer, of the private person and of the government, as well as fixing of fees, limitations, classifications in the conduct of the events, and any matters in connection therewith.
- g. After the effectivity of this ordinance, the Council shall formulate an Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) for the smooth implementation of this ordinance subject to the approval of the Sangguniang Panlungsod.
- h. Prepare and recommend the budget for any activities or events as recommended and approved by appropriate government office concerned.

Section 6. Budget. The City shall allocate an initial annual budget of at least Two Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php200,000.00) from the General Appropriation Fund for the purpose of this ordinance.

Section 7. Separability Clause. If any part of this Ordinance is declared not valid, unconstitutional or unlawful, such declaration shall not affect or impair the remaining provisions, sections or parts thereof, which shall remain or continue to be in full force and effect.

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Section 8. Repealing Clause. All previous ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 9. Effectivity. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately after its approval.

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative :

Councilors : El Cid M. Familiaran, Jocelle Batapa-Sigue, Roberto M. Rojas, Em L. Ang, Caesar Z. Distrito, Wilson C. Gamboa, Jr., Alex A. Paglumotan, Sonya M. Verdeflor, Ana Marie V. Palermo, Noli B. Villarosa.

Negative : None.

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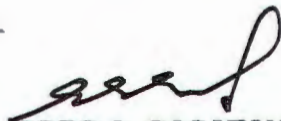
Absent : None.

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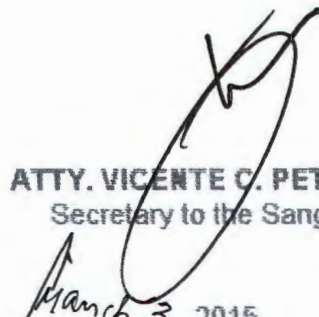
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Comments : Passed.
Floor Leader Archie S. Baribar and Councilor Carlos Jose V. Lopez were not around when this ordinance was passed.

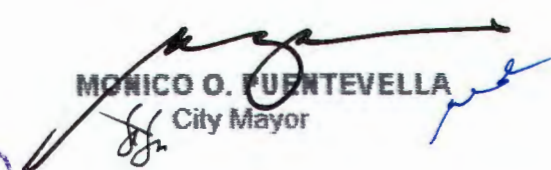

GREG G. GASATAYA
Vice Mayor
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Secretary to the Sanggunian

APPROVED:

March 3, 2015


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City Mayor

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