



**Sangguniang Panlungsod  
Lungsod ng Bacolod**

**CITY ORDINANCE NO. 276**

**February 1, 2001**

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE COMMISSION ON SISTER CITIES PROGRAM OF BACOLOD CITY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bacolod has entered into Sister-City Agreements with various cities both in our country and abroad;

**WHEREAS**, there is no definitive body that oversees activities in relation with sister-city relationships that have been established between Bacolod City and various cities both in our country and abroad;

**WHEREAS**, there is still no definitive body in the City of Bacolod created to maintain records, communication and coordinate activities relating to sister-city activities;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to maintain records, communicate and coordinate activities relating to sister-city activities in order to meet the objectives for which the relationships have been established.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacolod, in session assembled, that:

**Section 1 - Rationale of the Commission.** To create a body that shall maintain records, communicate and coordinate activities relating to sister-city activities in order to meet the objectives for which the relationships have been established.

**Section 2 - The Commission on Sister Cities Program of Bacolod City, Creation of.** A body to be known as the Commission on Sister Cities Program of Bacolod City is hereby created, which shall be under the supervision and control of the Office of the City Mayor, and shall be composed of a Chairman and seven members as follows:

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| a. City Mayor  | - Chairman      |
| b. City Vice-Mayor   | - Vice-Chairman |
| c. City Administrator  | - Member        |
| d. Chairman of the Committee on Tourism and Sister Cities of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod City        | - Member        |
| e. Chairman of the Committee on Municipal International Cooperation of the Sangguniang Panlungsod Bacolod City | - Member        |
| f. City Planning and Development Officer   | - Member        |
| g. Two Private Sector Representatives coming from the business sector to be appointed by the City Mayor        | - Members       |

The terms of office of the Private Sector Representatives shall be co-terminus with that of the City Mayor. In the appointment of the Private Sector Representatives, the City Mayor shall call for nominations from the concerned organizations or associations existing in the City of Bacolod.

**Section 3 - Duties and Functions of the Commission.** the primary role of the Commission is to maintain records, communicate and coordinate activities relating to sister-city activities in order to meet the objectives for which the relationships have been established.

In the attainment of the above-stated objectives, the Commission shall have the following functions:

- a. Maintain records of all sister-city activities;
- b. Communicate on a regular basis with all sister-cities of Bacolod City;
- c. Initiate and coordinate joint projects with sister-cities of Bacolod City;
- d. Initiate and coordinate exchange visits with sister-cities of Bacolod City;
- e. Explore and identify cities with whom sister-city relationship could be established;
- f. Perform such other related functions as may be necessary to ensure the effective implementation of its objectives.

In fulfillment of their functions, the Commission may create its own committee structure with committees to be headed by one of its members and composed of members coming from the public and private sector of Bacolod City

**Section 4 - Funding.** The funding requirements of the Commission shall be included in the Annual General Fund Budget of the City Government. In the absence of such at its initial organization, the Commission shall submit a request through the Office of the City Mayor for an appropriation through the passage of a Supplemental Budget to the Sangguniang Panlungsod for its consideration.

**Section 5 - Effectivity.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

**CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:**

Affirmative:

Councilors: Alex A. Paglumotan, Archie S. Baribar, Juanito S. Amihan, Jr., Ricardo L. Tan, Ramiro L. Garcia, Jr., Ana Marie V. Palermo, Jose Max S. Ortiz, Celia Matea R. Flor Roberto M. Rojas, Al Victor A. Espino, Elmer T. Sy, Pepito T. Malapitan, Christine Angelie M. Espinosa.

Negative : None.

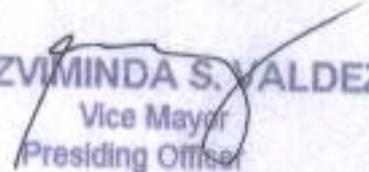
Absent : None.

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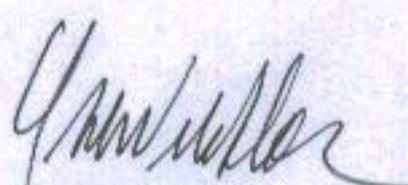
Passed : February 1, 2001 (125th Regular Session).

Comments: Passed.  
Councilor Lorendo K. Dilag was out of the session hall when this ordinance was passed.

  
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Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

  
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APPROVED: February 1, 2001.

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