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TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNANG PANLUNGSOD  
Lungsod Ng Bacolod  
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CITY ORDINANCE NO. 317  
DECEMBER 5, 2002

**AN ORDINANCE ALLOCATING NO LESS THAN THREE PERCENT (3%) OF THE CITY'S INTERNAL REVENUE ALLOCATION (IRA) DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR COOPERATIVES AND LIVELIHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS.**

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod, that:

**SECTION 1 - TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as the "Ordinance Allocating no less than three percent (3%) of the City's Internal Revenue-Allocation (IRA) Development Fund for Cooperatives and Livelihood Development Programs and Projects".

**SECTION 2 - STATEMENT OF POLICY.**

1. It is a declared policy of the State as well as the City of Bacolod to promote an environment that is conducive to economic growth and development and ensure the prosperity and improved quality of life for all.

2. The City of Bacolod realizes the need to provide poverty alleviation initiatives which aim to enable members of the poor sector of our society to engage in livelihood projects and undertakings that will generate or increase their income.

3. The City of Bacolod recognizes the role of Cooperatives and other People's Organizations and/or Community-Based Associations as vehicles for promoting self-reliance and harnessing people power towards the attainment of economic development and social justice.

4. The City also realizes that in order to bring the poor to the level of the rich, it must provide opportunities that will enable Cooperatives or other People's Organizations and /or Community-Based Associations to develop into viable and responsive economic enterprises, at the same time without infringing their autonomy and organizational integrity, thereby bringing about a strong middle and/or entrepreneurial class.

5. The Sangguniang Panlungsod, as the legislative of the city shall enact ordinances and appropriate funds for the general welfare of the city and its inhabitants and shall provide for measures that enhance economic prosperity and social justice.

6. Section 287 of Republic Act 7160 provides that local government units shall appropriate in its Annual Budget no less than twenty (20%) of its annual Internal Revenue Allotment for development projects.

**SECTION 3. ALLOCATION OF AMOUNT EQUIVALENT TO NO LESS THAN 3% OF THE CITY'S IRA DEVELOPMENT FUND.**

In consideration of the aforementioned purposes, a certain amount equivalent to no less than three percent (3%) of the City's 20% IRA Development Fund shall be set aside for Cooperatives Development and Livelihood Programs and Projects.

The City Mayor, thru the City Cooperatives and Livelihood Development Office shall see to the effective utilization of this Fund.

#### **SECTION 4. WHO MAY AVAIL OF THE 3% COOPERATIVE AND LIVELIHOOD DEVELOPMENT FUND.**

Cooperatives (Coop) and People's Organizations (PO) or Community-Based Associations (CBA) which have livelihood programs and projects for its members, and duly accredited with the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacolod, may avail and/or be a beneficiary of the 3% IRA Cooperative and Livelihood Development Fund.

#### **SECTION 5. AVAILMENT OF THE FUND**

Subject to additional guidelines and qualification requirements that the city may make on the matter, a duly accredited and qualified Cooperative, PO or CBA may avail and/or be a beneficiary of this IRA Cooperative and Livelihood Development Fund, provided however, that the same shall not be used for administrative or personnel services.

#### **SECTION 6. CREATION AND FUNCTION OF THE TASK FORCE ON COOPERATIVES AND LIVELIHOOD DEVELOPMENT**

An inter-agency Task Force on Cooperatives and Livelihood Development is hereby created for the purpose of drafting and/or formulation of the implementing guidelines of this ordinance to include, among others, the manner, qualifications, requirements, terms and conditions for availment of the fund, including interests thereon, the reporting and monitoring of the program/project assisted, and the collection of the fund. Provided, however, that said implementing guidelines shall not be effective unless approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

##### **SECTION 6.1 COMPOSITION OF TASK FORCE**

The Task Force shall be composed of the following government agencies and departments of the City of Bacolod, namely, the City Cooperative and Livelihood Development Office (CCLDO), which is the lead implementing agency, the City Planning and Development Office (CPDO), the Department of Social Services and Development (DSSD), the Public Employment and Services Office (PESO), the City Agriculture Office (CAO), the City Legal Office (CLO) and the Office of the City Administrator (OCA) and the Bacolod Housing Authority (BHA) with the City Mayor as Chairman, and the representative of the Sangguniang Panlungsod as Vice-Chairman.

The Chairman of the Bacolod City Cooperative Development Council shall also sit as member of the Task Force to represent the cooperative sector.

#### **SECTION 7. EXECUTION OF A MOA**

In order to maintain the autonomy and integrity of the Coop, PO or CBA, the fund assistance under this Ordinance shall be considered as a loan and not a dole-out. For this purpose, it is hereby provided, that upon approval of the program/project as listed in the Annual Investment Plan of the city by the Sangguniang Panlungsod, a Memorandum

of Agreement (MOA) shall thereafter be executed by the availing Coop, PO or CBA with the City Government of Bacolod, subject to the authorization of the City Mayor and ratification of the Sangguniang Panlungsod..

#### **SECTION 8. RELEASE OF THE FUND**

Unless otherwise prohibited by law, the fund for the approved program or project under this Ordinance shall be made readily available and released immediately to the qualified Coop, PO or CBA.

The City Mayor, thru the City Cooperative and Livelihood Development Office, together with the availing Coop, PO or CBA, shall see to it that the funded program or project shall be implemented within a year following its approval.

#### **SECTION 9. EFFECT ON OTHER FUND SOURCES**

Unless otherwise mandated by law, the IRA Cooperative and Livelihood Development Fund provided for and established under this Ordinance shall not in any way diminish, dissolve, or repeal any existing fund or appropriation thereof, or affect any future funding for cooperatives and livelihood programs and projects taken from other sources.

#### **SECTION 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE**

If for any reason, any part or provision of this ordinance is declared invalid, the other parts or provisions hereby not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

#### **SECTION 11. DATE OF EFFECTIVITY**

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and/or approval thereof.

#### **CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:**

Affirmative:

Councilors: Archie S. Baribar, Roberto M. Rojas, Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson, Ana Marie V. Palermo, Celia Matea R. Flor, Jose H. Gabuat, Lyndon P. Caña, Elmer T. Sy, Bobbie M. Lucasan, Greg G. Gasataya, Reynold J. Iledan, Sonya M. Verdeflor, Arturo V. Parreño, Marx Lolue S. De La Rosa.


Negative : None.

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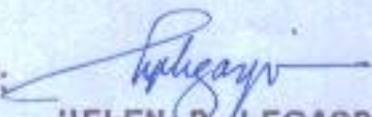
  
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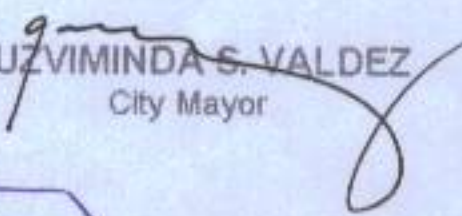
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