



CITY ORDINANCE NO. 346

November 20, 2003

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BACOLOD CITY NATURE'S PARK IN BARANGAY ALANGILAN.

WHEREAS, establishment of tree parks, eco-tourism, and nature parks are a primary objective for local governments under the Local Government Code;

WHEREAS, City Ordinance 313, series of 2002 the ENVIRONMENT CODE of Bacolod City, in Article 9, Chap. VII thereof, calls for the possibility of declaring Brgy. Alangilan as a possible eco-tourism area;

WHEREAS, there is actually an area in Brgy. Alangilan, consisting of 8,7846 hectares, which is a portion of the property owned and titled in the name of the City of Bacolod under TCT No. T-115461, which can be utilized for the said purpose;

WHEREFORE, premises considered, let it be ordained, as it is hereby ordained:

TITLE:

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BACOLOD CITY NATURE'S PARK AT BARANGAY ALANGILAN.

Article 1. Establishment of the Bacolod City Nature's Park. There is hereby established a special protected, eco-tourism area in Barangay Alangilan of Bacolod City, to be known as the Bacolod City Nature's Park, over the 8,7846 hectares portion of the property owned by and titled in the name of the City of Bacolod under TCT No. T-115461, the vicinity map thereof being hereto attached as ANNEX "A" and adopted hereunto by reference.

Article 2. Statement of Purposes. The establishment of the Bacolod City Nature's Park at the area above-mentioned shall have the following purposes:

- a. The development of the park as a nursery area for plants and trees as well as an eco-tourism park, with possible use as a convention, camping, or retreat center for the City of Bacolod pursuant to a plan that is ethnic, natural and indigenous as much as possible;
- b. Development, protection, expansion of watershed area by planting of trees;
- c. To serve as pilot area for implementation of national policy for establishment of eco-tourism and theme or nature's park; for environmental protection, promotion, and beautification;
- d. Other purposes not inconsistent with the foregoing;

Article 3. Interim Committee. Pending the establishment of a regular Park Authority as may be subsequently be created by local legislation, there is in the meantime established an Interim Bacolod Nature's Park Committee as follows:

Chair: the City Mayor or her authorized representative
Members: The SP Chair of the Committee on Urban Housing
The SP Chair on the Environment
The CPDO
The ENRO
The Punong Barangay of Barangay Alangilan
The City Agriculturist
The DENR through the CENRO
The City Tourism Office
The City Engineer's Office

Article 4. Mandatory Study. The Interim Committee shall come up with a comprehensive plan and proposal for the development of the Bacolod City Nature's Park, complete with possible costings, the budget proposal for which shall be endorsed by the City Mayor for approval by the Sangguniang Panlungsod. This study shall be submitted within six (6) months from passage of this ordinance.

Article 5. Initial Funding. An initial amount of One Million Pesos (P1M) shall be set aside in the annual budget of 2004 for purposes of this ordinance, to be taken from any available fund, which shall defray initial expenses that may be required to implement the intents and purposes of this ordinance. Any subsequent funding as may be required shall be by subsequent appropriation ordinance as the need may arise and subject to availability of funds.

Article 6. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval in accordance with law.

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative:

Councillors: Archie S. Baribar, Roberto M. Rojas, Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson, Ana Marie V. Palermo, Celia Matea R. Flor, Lyndon P. Caña, Elmer T. Sy, Bobbie S. Lucasan, Reynold I. Iledan, Sonya M. Verdeflor, Marx Louie S. de la Rosa.

Negative : N o n e.

Absent : N o n e

Author : Councillor Lyndon P. Caña.

Passed : November 20, 2003 (124th Regular Session).

Comments: P a s s e d

Councillors Jose H. Gabuat, Greg G. Gasataya and Arturo V. Parreño were out of the session hall when this ordinance was passed.

RAMIRO L. GARCIA, JR.
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

TESTED:

ATTY. NILO T. ALEJANDRINO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

APPROVED, December 01, 2003.

LUZVIMINDA S. VALDEZ
City Mayor *12/1/03*

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