



Lungsod ng Bacolod

CITY ORDINANCE NO. 414
September 28, 2006

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ANNUAL BARANGAY-BASED OPEN AND SPECIAL SPORTS PROGRAM TO BE CALLED THE PALARONG PANLUNGSOD OF BACOLOD CITY.

WHEREAS, a dynamic sports program especially among the youth, is vital to the development of a competitive, mentally-healthy, and vigorous citizenry,

WHEREAS, while there is City Ordinance No. 159, series of 1996, otherwise known as "An Ordinance amending City Ordinance No. 85, series of 1993, otherwise known as An Ordinance declaring and creating the Bacolod City Sports Council, its Objective and Purpose", it only created a Sports Council, but did not mandate a permanent sports program, thus, there is, at present, no permanent or regular Barangay-based, or open, City-initiated sports program or activity in the City of Bacolod;

WHEREAS, the Hon. City Mayor Evelio Leonardia has issued an Executive Order No. 07, series of 2006 re-constituting the task force on sports development to screen various sports associations that will serve as members of the Bacolod City Sports Council, in an effort to revive the sports program of the City,

WHEREAS, causing young people to engage in sports helps them to avoid the temptation of delinquency, drugs, and crime;

WHEREAS, let it be **ORDAINED**, as it is hereby **ORDAINED**, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod City.

ARTICLE 1. DECLARATION OF POLICY

It is hereby declared the policy of the local government of Bacolod city to support as much as possible a vital and dynamic sports program for men and women in the City, which shall primarily be annual and Barangay based, and which shall include open categories as available resources may make possible, to include the sector of the specially-abled or persons with disabilities, and institute measures to pursue the same by way of a permanent and regular sports program, to be called the Palarong Panlungsod of Bacolod City.

ARTICLE 2. THE BACOLOD CITY SPORTS COUNCIL, THE OYSD, AND OTHER OFFICES

Section 1. The Bacolod City Sports Council, pursuant to City Ordinance No. 159 in coordination with the accredited sports organizations of the City of Bacolod, shall plan, proposed, and supervise an annual sports program mandated in this Ordinance.

Section 2. The lead implementor of said program shall then be the City OYSD (Office of Youth and Sports Development), in close coordination with the Liga ng mga Barangays, the SK Federation, the SP Committee on Sports, and such other offices and bodies that may have a role in the implementation of the sports program of the City.

ARTICLE 3, GENERAL FRAMEWORK OF THE BARANGAY-BASED SPORTS PROGRAM, TO BE KNOWN AS THE PALARONG PANLUNGSOD OF BACOLOD CITY.

Section 1. The City Government of Bacolod shall institute an ANNUAL SPORTS PROGRAM among its 61 component barangays, under a system or program to be drawn up by the Bacolod City Sports Council, to be known as the Palarong Panlungsod of Bacolod City.

Section 2. Subject to refinements or modifications as may be conceived by the Bacolod City Sports Council, said program shall operate pursuant to the following general framework:

a. Four Divisions

Unless otherwise modified by the Sports Council, the Barangays of Bacolod City, for purposes of this ordinance, shall be divided into four (4) divisions with at least ten (10) teams per division, the composition of which is to be determined by the Bacolod City Sports Council or its authorized Committee. The four (4) divisions shall be known as EAST, WEST, NORTH and SOUTH.

b. The barangays that will compose each DIVISION shall compete by and between themselves in what is known as the LLIMINATION ROUND, for the purpose of determining the TOP TWO TEAMS for each game or event mandated in this ordinance, which two teams shall proceed to the QUARTERFINAL ROUND.

c. The QUARTERFINALS shall be a contest between TWO TOP TEAMS from each of the DIVISIONS, in a ROUND ROBIN Format, under a set of rules to be issued by the Bacolod City Sports Council (BCC) or its duly authorized committee/s.

d. The winners of the quarterfinals, which are the TOP FOUR TEAMS based on its win-loss record, shall compete in the SEMIFINALS under a set of rules to be issued by the BCSC or its duly authorized committee, for the purpose of determining the TOP TWO (2) teams which will play for the CHAMPIONSHIP.

e. The CHAMPIONSHIP shall be contested under a set of rules to be issued by the BCSC or its duly authorized committee.

However, if the participating teams in the ballgames number less than 40, the GROUND RULES COMMITTEE may provide formats which it considers appropriate and necessary under the circumstances. Track and field, chess and table tennis and other events may adopt different tournament formats regardless of the number of participating teams in these events.

ARTICLE 4. COMMITTEES.

The Bacolod City Sports Council, in order to execute or implement its foregoing mandate or duty, shall organize the following committees:

- i. **Screening Committee** - This Committee is tasked to screen and validate the eligibility of players listed by the participating barangay which shall be done prior to the start of the tournament. Once the Committee has cleared the listed player or athlete to play in the tournament, said player or athlete will not anymore be subject to protest involving eligibility unless he or she has misrepresented himself or herself by using the name of another person who is so declared as qualified;
- ii. **Schedule & Venue Committee** - This Committee takes charge in preparing and deciding for the schedules of each team for every event and the playing venue in which the game is to be played. The schedule of games and the respective playing venues shall be provided to each participating barangay at least three (3) days prior to its schedule
- iii. **Protest Committee** - This Committee is empowered to resolve disputes, controversies and protests filed by a participating team against the other due to the fielding of ineligible player, clear violation of rules, erroneous recording of scores which alters the result of the game, and blatant disregard of tournament's ground rules. The Committee may entertain protest, only if the same is noted at the scorebook or record book within two (2) hours after the game is over with notation of the grounds relied thereof, and that the formal Protest is filed within 24 hours from the time the protested game is over. However, the Committee, on its own, may declare the game forfeited in favor of the other team without need of the filing of the Protest within 24 hours from the time without need of the filing of the Protest within 24 hours from the time the game is finished ONLY if there is a clear and apparent finding that the winning team patently violated one of the rules mentioned above;
- iv. **Ground Rules Committee** - This Committee is tasked to provide for the ground rules of the tournament, set the tournament format subject to the applicable provisions of Article 4 hereof, prescribe the criteria for the eligibility of players, to provide mechanism to break the tie, and to fix the penalty for the erring players and teams. Any rule not covered by the Ground Rules as adopted by this Committee shall be governed by the FIBA Rules. The Committee, however, needs to submit the proposed draft of the Ground Rules to the Sangguniang Panlungsod for approval before the same becomes effective and be the operating rules of the Tournament.

The Bacolod Sports Council may, however, create additional committees, if it deems it proper and necessary to ensure the success of the program.

ARTICLE 5. GAMES OR EVENTS

The games or events to be played in the sports program or activity mandated under this ordinance, subject to availability of participants or competing teams, and resources, in no particular order, are the following:

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| a. basketball | j. dance sports |
| b. volleyball | k. gymnastics |
| c. chess/mental sports | l. swimming |
| d. table tennis | m. athletics (discuss throw, hurdle,
meter dash, long jump, high jump, etc.) |
| e. boxing | n. cycling and biking |
| f. softball | o. weightlifting |
| g. track and field | p. accredited martial arts |
| h. football and futsal | q. body building |
| i. taekwondo | |

Other sports and physical fitness disciplines as the Sports Council may deem practicable shall be added to the foregoing list.

ARTICLE 6. SPECIAL SPORTS PROGRAM FOR THE SPECIALLY-ABLED OR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES OR SPECIAL NEEDS

The Bacolod City Sports Council is hereby mandated to plan and institutionalize a special sports program for the program for the specially-abled, differently-abled, also known as persons with disabilities or persons with special needs, in coordination with the Council for Persons with Disabilities, the City Department of Social Services and Development, and the SP Committee on Social Services.

ARTICLE 7. COORDINATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Should the national government have a sports program of its own coursed through the Department of Education, the local government of Bacolod City shall coordinate with the same a sports program or activity whenever feasible, otherwise, the City shall have its own sports program and activity as mandated in this ordinance.

ARTICLE 8. SPORTS ACADEMY AND/OR SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Section 1. The City, through the Sports Council, shall recommend to the City Mayor and the Sangguniang Panlungsod through its Committees on Education and Sports a scholarship program for poor but deserving students who excel in sports, especially those who bring honor to the City or country. Such program shall be institutionalized through the passage of pertinent enabling ordinances or amendment of existing ones.

Section 2. A Sports Academy shall likewise be instituted by the Council whereby a pool of players or sports enthusiasts who excel in their respective sports disciplines shall receive training, support, guidance and other helps from the City through the Bacolod Sports Council.

ARTICLE 9. BUDGET

The present budget included in the General or Annual Budget of the City which is regularly appropriated for sports, as well as the budget in the AIP for sports activities, shall be maintained in the succeeding budgets of the City, unless modified accordingly, and shall be used to finance the program mandated under this ordinance, or all activities related thereto.

ARTICLE 10. PARTICIPATION OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR

Section 1. Any activity or event that is part of the sports program mentioned herein, or the entirety thereof, may be handled by a duly recognized sports club or group, or association of individuals, as may be recognized or allowed by the Sports Council provided that said group, association, or individuals shall have no authority to solicit funds, or handle public funds.

Section 2. In the event that it shall be desirable or recommended that a private group or association or individuals shall handle the event or events with power to raise and handle funds, the same shall only be upon expressed permission by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod City, with a Memorandum of Agreement clearly defining the roles, duties and responsibilities of the parties, and as ratified by the Sanggunian.

ARTICLE 11. EFFECTIVITY

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval according to law.

ARTICLE 12. IMPLEMENTATION

The sports program and related programs called for in this ordinance shall be implemented beginning with year 2007 and onwards.

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative:

Councilors

Lyndon P. Caña, Jocelle Balapa-Bigue, Homer Q. Bais, Dindo C. Ramos, Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson, Napoleon A. Cordova, Al Victor A. Espino, Catalino T. Alisbo, Reynold I. Iledan, Arturo V. Parreño, Marx Louie S. de la Rosa.

Negative

None

Absent

None

Official Travel:

Councilors Ana Marie V. Palermo and Eimer T. Sy

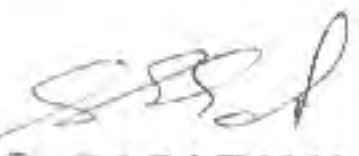
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Comments: Passed.
Vice Mayor Renecito S. Novero was designated as Acting City Mayor


GREG G. GASATAYA
Acting Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


ATTY. NILO T. ALEJANDRINO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

APPROVED: Sept. 29, 2006


RENECITO S. NOVERO
Acting City Mayor

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