



DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR NO. 2023-004
Series of 2023

TO : ALL CONCERNED
FROM : THE SECRETARY
SUBJECT : APPROVING THE COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN
OF BACOLOD CITY, 2017-2026

Under Republic Act No. 11201 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR), the Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development is empowered to review and approve the Comprehensive Land Use Plans (CLUPs) of independent component cities, highly urbanized cities, and Metro Manila local government units (LGUs) to ensure their compliance with national guidelines and standards.

The City of Bacolod, with the support of its City Development Council and City Planning and Development Office, has completed the updating of its Comprehensive Land Use Plan and Zoning Ordinance for 2017-2026.

The LGU's development vision – *“thriving on the honest labor of her sons and daughters; a most competitive, and most livable city where business and industry flourish in an atmosphere of peace and fair competition; where government serves its people responsibly and with transparency; a major city not just in the Philippines but in the rest of Asia as well”* provides the framework for the city's spatial and development strategies. Bacolod City aims to be the center of commerce and industry in the Province of Negros Occidental and Western Visayas. As such, their development thrust is to disperse economic growth across the city through commercial and coastal development by intensifying infrastructure development to improve mobility and connectivity in the city, harnessing local economic drivers, and providing quality and inclusive social services to all.

On 15 March 2022, the Regional Land Use Committee (RLUC) Region VI endorsed the CLUP to the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod City for adoption and enactment through RLUC VI Resolution No. 1, Series of 2022, entitled *“Endorsing to the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod City the Bacolod City Comprehensive Land Use Plan and Zoning Ordinance 2017-2026 for Adoption and Enactment.”* Consequently, on 30 March 2022, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod City adopted the CLUP through Regulation Ordinance No. 240, Series of 2022, entitled *“Resolution Adopting the Comprehensive Land Use Plan 2017-2026”*.

The Department, through the Environmental, Land Use and Urban Planning and Development Bureau (ELUPDB), reviewed the submitted plan documents and found it to be compliant with national standards and guidelines.

In view thereof, the Comprehensive Land Use Plan of Bacolod City (2017-2026) is hereby **Approved**.

Granted this 3 day of February 2023 at the Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development, Quezon City.

JOSE RIZALINO L. ACUZAR

Secretary

(February 3, 2023)

