

REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS
TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
LUNGSOD NG BAKOLOD
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CITY ORDINANCE NO. 1025
February 22, 2023

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BACOLOD MUSIC FESTIVAL,
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, Section 17, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that, "The State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture, and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development";

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article XIV of the same Constitution provides that, "Arts and letters shall enjoy the patronage of the State. The State shall conserve, promote, and popularize the nation's historical and cultural heritage and resources, as well as artistic creations";

WHEREAS, Bacolod City has produced many homegrown talents in the music industry who have gained national and international recognition;

WHEREAS, the Bacolod City Government aims to develop and promote the talents of Bacolodnons at the grassroots level by giving them a venue and platform to showcase their unique and ingenious music talent and skills;

NOW THEREFORE, be it **ORDAINED** as it is hereby **ORDAINED** by the Sangguniang Panlungsod in session assembled, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the Bacolod Music Festival Ordinance.

Section 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. It is the policy of the City Government of Bacolod to recognize music as part of its culture, define our uniqueness as a community, and recognize the special talents of Bacolodnons as music lovers and skilled in arts and music. To this end, the City Government of Bacolod shall enhance this talent, provide mechanisms to enrich music and arts and strengthen this culture of Bacolodnons by creating programs that will engage the younger generation with our rich musical heritage that makes Bacolod City a distinct community.

Section 3. BACOLOD MUSIC FESTIVAL. The Bacolod Music Festival is hereby established and to be held every last weekend of April.

Section 4. SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR THE BACOLOD MUSIC FESTIVAL. To ensure this Ordinance is strictly implemented, a special committee shall be created for the purpose. The following shall form part of the said committee, to wit:

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- Chairperson - City Mayor
 - Vice Chairperson - Chairperson, SP Committee on History, Culture and Arts
 - Members - Chairperson, SP Committee on Tourism
City Tourism Officer
City Budget Officer
President, Liga ng mga Barangay
President, SK Federation
District Schools Superintendent, Bacolod City
President, NOPSSCEA
One (1) Representative from the Music organizations
One (1) Representative from the Arts organizations
One (1) representative from the business sector

The City Tourism Officer shall serve as the secretariat of the said committee. The Secretariat shall take down the Minutes of the meeting of the committee. It shall also be the duty of the Secretariat to keep and maintain all records of all said meetings and proceedings conducted by the Committee and other records pertinent to the committee such as the financial records and the like.

Section 5. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. The duties and responsibilities of the Special Committee for the Bacolod Music Festival shall be the following:

1. To plan and prepare the events to be lined up for the celebration of the Bacolod Music Festival.
2. To choose a theme that will be used for the duration of the event.
3. To choose a venue appropriate for the holding of the events of the festival.
4. To screen and choose Bacolodnon and Negrense artists who will be performing in the Locals/Bacolodnons Night.
5. To tap and encourage businesses in the city to join, participate or sponsor events of the said festival.
6. To submit financial reports to the Sangguniang Panlungsod in the completion of the festival celebration.
7. To meet quarterly and as often as necessary to ensure that all provisions of this Ordinance are implemented.

Section 6. EVENTS OF THE FESTIVAL. The following events shall be included in the Bacolod Music Festival but not limited to:

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Day One (Friday): -

OPEN TO ALL

The first day of the Bacolod Music Festival will be slated for performances by music artists who are from outside of Bacolod City and Negros Occidental.

Day Two (Saturday):

LOCALS/ BACOLODNONS NIGHT

The second day of the Bacolod Music Festival will be for all interested music artists from Bacolod City or Negros Occidental.

Day Three (Sunday)

SPONSORS'/MAYOR'S NIGHT

The third Day of the Bacolod Music Festival will be for the artists who will be invited by the sponsors of the festival or by the City Mayor. International artists may be invited and perform during this day of the festival.

Other activities such as live art activities, mural painting contests, music workshops, coffee art workshops, art exhibits and food cookouts may be included in the Bacolod Music Festival during mornings and afternoons over the whole weekend event to capture more tourist visitors.

The City Mayor may also utilize a third-party organizer who specializes in festival events which will coordinate with the special committee to put into effect the purpose of this Ordinance.

Section 7. VENUE. The Music Festival Committee will decide the venue conducive for the holding of events of the Music Festival. The Committee must decide on the venue at least three (3) months before the festival's holding.

Section 8. FUNDING. The funding for the initial implementation of this Ordinance shall be the amount of One Million Pesos (₱1,000,000.00) to be taken from the General Fund or any available funds of the City. Thereafter, an appropriation for the purpose shall be determined on an annual basis according to the program's prior year utilization report and other relevant indicators.

Section 9. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any part of this ordinance is declared as unconstitutional or unlawful, such declaration shall not affect the other parts or the section hereof that are not declared unlawful or unconstitutional.

Section 10. REPEALING CLAUSE. All previous ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance shall be deemed repealed or modified accordingly.



Section 11. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative:

Councilors : Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson, Em L. Ang, Al Victor A. Espino, Vladimir S. Gonzalez, Jason Isidro S. Villarosa, Simplicia Z. Distrito, Celia Matea R. Flor, Psyche Marie E. Sy, Ayesha Joy Y. Villaflor.

Negative : None.

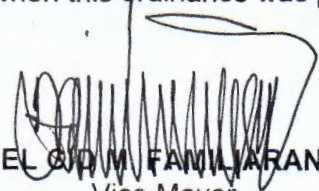
Official Leave : Councilors Cindy T. Rojas, Renecito S. Novero and Lady Gles Gonzales-Pallen.

Absent : None.

Author : Councilor Em L. Ang.

Passed : February 22, 2023 (34th Regular Session of the 11th Council)


Comments : Passed.
Councilors Israel P. Salanga and Claudio Jesus Raymundo A. Puentevella were not around when this ordinance was passed.


ELPIDIO FAMILIARAN
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


ATTY. VICENTE C. PETIERRE III
Secretary to the Sanggunian

APPROVED: _____, 2023.

ALFREDO ABELARDO B. BENITEZ
City Mayor 

VCP/CGT/jbz

10 DAYS LAPSE
AS OF March 9, 2023