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TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
Lungsod ng Bacolod

CITY ORDINANCE NO. 1105
September 16, 2025

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 10, 11 AND 15 OF CITY ORDINANCE NO. 1061, SERIES OF 2024, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BACOLOD FILM FESTIVAL, CREATING THE BACOLOD FILM FESTIVAL COUNCIL, DEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, City Ordinance No. 1061 Series of 2024 established the Bacolod Film Festival and provided the guidelines for its celebration and funding;

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend the schedule of the Bacolod Film Festival to ensure better participation and alignment with other events of the city government;

WHEREAS, there is also a need to adjust the amount of grants allocated to the festival in light of the current budget considerations and festival requirements;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod recognizes the importance of supporting the local film industry and enhancing the cultural vibrancy of Bacolod through this festival;

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments will better serve the objectives of the festival and ensure its continued success;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod, in session assembled that:

Section 1. Section 10 of City Ordinance No. 1061 Series of 2024, is hereby amended to read as follows:

> Section 10. BACOLOD FILM FESTIVAL SELECTION PROCESS AND FESTIVAL PROPER. The Festival Director shall open its film grant pitching at a schedule and deadline set by the Bacolod Film Festival Council. The Festival Director shall assign five (5) to nine (9) jurors who will be selecting the films to be showcased in the festival following the guidelines set by the Council.

Section 2. Section 11 of City Ordinance No. 1061 Series of 2024, is hereby amended to read as follows:

> Section 11. BACOLOD FILM FESTIVAL. The Bacolod Film Festival will run for two (2) consecutive weeks for the month of November of each year depending on the movie schedule of cinemas and the Cinema Exhibitors Association of the Philippines. All cinemas operating within the jurisdiction of Bacolod City shall only screen films of the festival for the duration of the Bacolod Film Festival.

Section 3. Section 15 of City Ordinance No. 1061 Series of 2024, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 15. GRANT AND SUBSIDY. The Council may provide a cash grant in the amount to be determined on an annual basis, to Bacolod filmmakers who were able to successfully complete two (2) workshops as described in the preceding section. Other requirements for the cash grant will be the following:

1. A bonafide resident of Bacolod City as attested by a residence certification from the Punong Barangay.
2. Letter of intent addressed to the City Mayor which shall include the film concept, logline, short synopsis, long synopsis, director's statement, director's profile, producer's profile, producer's statement, portfolio or sample works, proposed cast and crew, financial plan and a timeline for the production.
3. Budget proposal or program of works indicating the breakdown of expenses for producing the film for the festival.

The cash grant provided by the Council shall only be limited to TEN (10) grantees for each year. It shall also follow existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations and pertinent laws regarding cash grants and subsidies.

The Council shall also give free screening tickets to all public schools in Bacolod City. The DepEd Schools Division Superintendent of Bacolod City shall issue the necessary memorandum for the specific schedule where students can watch their chosen films in the film festival.

All public colleges and state universities as well as all private schools, colleges and universities in the City are also encouraged to make it a requirement to their students in either, Arts, Philippine History or Filipino subjects to watch any of the films in the film festival.

Section 4. 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 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. All previous ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance shall be deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 6. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative:

Councilors : Caesar Z. Distrito, Israel P. Salanga, Em L. Ang, Celia Matea R. Flor, Roberto M. Rojas, Psyche Marie E. Sy, Homer Q. Bais, Al Victor A. Espino, Lady Gles Gonzales-Pallen, Danna Marie C. Barzo.

Official Travel : None.

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Comments : P a s s e d .
Councilor Wilson C. Gamboa, Jr. was not around when this ordinance was passed.

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CLAUDIO JESUS RAYMUNDO A. PUENTEVELLA
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. VICENTE C. PETIERRE II
Secretary to the Sanggunian

APPROVED: SEP 2 2 2025

GREG G. GASATAYA
City Mayor

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