Republika Ng Pilipinas
TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
Lungsod ng Bacolod

CITY ORDINANCE NO. 1109
December 4, 2025

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2 OF CITY ORDINANCE NO. 1100, SERIES OF 2025, THAT AMENDED SECTIONS 9 AND 12 OF CITY ORDINANCE NO. 244, SERIES OF 2000, AS AMENDED BY CITY ORDINANCE NO. 462, SERIES OF 2008 AND CITY ORDINANCE NO. 506, SERIES OF 2009, FIXING THE MINIMUM FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GIVEN TO THE BENEFICIARIES OF COCKFIGHTS OR "PABULANG" TO AT LEAST FIVE THOUSAND PESOS (P5,000.00) PER DERBY DAY, STREAMLINING ITS PROCEDURE OF GRANTING ASSISTANCE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, cockfighting or "pabulang" is a long-standing cultural and recreational activity in Bacolod City and has been regularly utilized as a tool for fundraising for charitable and community purposes;

WHEREAS, Section 9(b) of City Ordinance No. 244, Series of 2000, as amended by City Ordinance Nos. 462 and 506, mandates cockpit operators to remit certain amounts to designated beneficiaries, depending on the type of derby held;

WHEREAS, City Ordinance No. 1100, Series of 2025, mandated that the assistance be set at a minimum amount of Five Thousand Pesos (Php5,000.00) per derby for every beneficiary. It also mandated that a cockpit owner, operator, and/or promoter shall identify the Day Care Center beneficiary from a listing provided by the Department of Social Services and Development (DSSD);

WHEREAS, after a while of its implementation, there is a necessity to revise the amendment in order to centralize and standardize the process of selecting beneficiaries to ensure greater objectivity and to place the decision-making authority solely with the concerned governmental body of the City who is more familiar with the condition and needs of our Day Care Centers;

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

SECTION 1. Section 9, subsection b of City Ordinance No. 244, Series of 2000, as amended by City Ordinance No. 1100, Series of 2025, is hereby amended to read as follows:

b. Where the beneficiary is a Day Care Center in Bacolod City, the cockpit owner, operator and/or promoter shall turn over the amount of contribution to the DSSD thru the Special Protection Division or to the duly designated Division that oversees such facilities, who in turn will hold in time, the money intended for the identified Day Care Center designated as beneficiary of the derby to be utilized as herein provided in letter d, Section 9 of this ordinance.

Day Care Centers who want to become beneficiaries of cockfight derby proceeds shall submit their requests to the Department of Social Services and Development who shall assess and verify the same in coordination with the Committee on Ways and Means of the Sangguniang Panlungsod. A list shall then be made of all the approved beneficiaries on a first come first serve basis or subject to the urgency and viability of their needs.

The cockpit owner, operator, and/or promoter shall submit immediately after the derby to the Sangguniang Panlungsod through the Secretary to the Sanggunian, a copy of the acknowledgment receipt and/or voucher showing proof that the amount has been remitted and received by the DSSD which they shall attach in their application for permit for succeeding derbies to the Sangguniang Panlungsod. The amount received by the DSSD will be held in trust for proper distribution to the intended Day Care Center as beneficiary in order to augment fund support for the implementation of protective services for children and youth project assistance.

SECTION 2. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.

All other provisions of City Ordinance No. 244, Series of 2000 and its amending ordinances not inconsistent herewith shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVITY.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after its approval.

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative:

Councilors : Caesar Z. Distrito, Israel P. Salanga, Em L. Ang, Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson, Jason Isidro S. Villarosa, Celia Matea R. Flor, Dindo C. Ramos, Roberto M. Rojas, Wilson C. Gamboa, Jr., Psyche Marie E. Sy, Homer Q. Bais, Lady Gles Gonzales-Pallen, Danna Marie C. Barzo.

Official Travel : None.

Official Leave : None.

Author : Councilor Caesar Z. Distrito.

Passed : December 4, 2025 (23rd Regular Session of the 12th Council).

Comments : P a s s e d .

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CLAUDIO JESUS RAYMUNDO A. PUENTEVELLA
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. VICENTE C. PETIERRE III
Secretary to the Sanggunian

APPROVED: _____

GREG G. GASATAYA
City Mayor

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