MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 18
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AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS AND RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISIONS OPERATING IN BACOOR, CAVITE TO INSTALL CLOSED CIRCUIT TV CAMERAS.

Sponsored by Hon. Bayani M. De Leon

WHEREAS, the rise in criminality all over the country, as evidenced by the recent spate of bombings in Central and Western Mindanao resulting in the death of dozens of people and the destruction of millions of pesos worth of properties, necessitates the exercise of greater vigilance on the part of the entire citizenry.

WHEREAS, many acts of criminality go unreported and unsolved due to lack of evidence pointing towards the identity of the perpetrators of various crimes.

WHEREAS, one of the ways to curb the rise of criminality in Bacoor, Cavite is through the installation of closed circuit television (CCTV) cameras in various business establishments and residential subdivisions operating in the municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion of Councilor Bayani M. De Leon unanimously seconded by all the present members of the Sangguniang Bayan in special session assembled, BE IT ORDAINED AS IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED that:

Sec. 1. Title.-- This ordinance shall be known as the “CCTV Ordinance of Bacoor”.

Sec. 2. Regulation.-- No business establishment or residential subdivision covered by this Ordinance operating within the Municipality of Bacoor shall be allowed to operate without first installing, maintaining, and operating a CCTV security system within its premises.

Sec. 3. Scope.-- All banks, money changers, lending institutions, pawnshops, gas stations, internet shops, private schools, factories, privately owned wet and dry markets, shopping malls, privately owned paid parking lots, the entrance/exit gates of residential subdivisions constructed after the effectivity of this Ordinance, and hospitals operating within Bacoor, Cavite, are covered by this Ordinance.
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Sec. 4. Period of Compliance.-- All business establishments and residential subdivisions covered by this Ordinance shall be given one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of effectiveness hereof within which to comply herewith.

Sec. 5. Guidelines.-- The Business Permit Licensing Office (BPLO) of the municipality shall send duly-authorized municipal employees to inspect the premises of all business establishments and residential subdivisions covered by this Ordinance by order of the Municipal Mayor. A specially designed sticker shall be posted by the inspection team on establishments and residential subdivisions that have complied herewith. An establishment or subdivision found to be in violation hereof shall be inspected again thirty (30) days after the date of the first inspection to determine if it has already complied herewith. An establishment or subdivision that fails to comply herewith during the second inspection shall be deemed to have already violated this Ordinance. An establishment or subdivision that already complied with this Ordinance shall be inspected twice every year without any prior notice to ensure that the CCTV system is operational and is well-maintained.

Sec. 6. Penalties.-- Establishments or subdivisions that have violated this Ordinance shall be penalized in the following manner:

First offense: Fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php 1,000.00) to be paid by the owner/manager of the establishment or by the President of the developer of the residential subdivision concerned.

Second offense: Fine of One Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (Php 1,500.00) to be paid by the owner/manager of the establishment or by the President of the developer of the residential subdivision.

Third offense: Fine of Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (Php 2,500.00) to be paid by the owner or manager of the establishment or by the President of the developer of the subdivision and closure of the said business establishment or revocation of the development permit of the residential subdivision concerned, until such time that the responsible officers of the said establishment or subdivision complies herewith.

Sec. 7. Mandate to save surveillance tapes; Voluntary surrender of surveillance tapes.-- The owners and managers of all business establishments and the President of the developer of the subdivision/s that have complied with this Ordinance are mandated to keep all surveillance tapes taken within their premises for at least thirty (30) days. Thereafter, the owners and/or managers of the said establishments and President of the developer of the subdivision/s may already discard or tape over the said surveillance tapes. Provided, that if a crime takes place

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within the said establishment, residential subdivision or within its immediate vicinity, the owner/s or manager/s of the said establishment and the President of the developer of the subdivisions shall voluntarily surrender the surveillance tape/s covering the period when the said crime was committed to the nearest police authorities who are hereby enjoined to issue an acknowledgement receipt for the said tapes. Provided, further, that once the residential subdivision has already been turned over to the homeowners thereof, the persons who shall be deemed liable for violation of this Ordinance shall be the officers of the homeowners’ associations of the residential subdivisions concerned. Provided, finally, that any person who violates this Ordinance shall be charged by the Office of the Municipal Mayor with “Obstruction of Justice” as defined and penalized under Presidential Decree No. 1829.

Sec. 8. Repeal. – All existing ordinances that are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed and/or revised.

Sec.9. Separability. – Should any provision of this Ordinance be declared void by a proper court of law, all the other provisions hereof that are not affected by such declaration shall continue to have legal force and effect.

Sec.10 Effectivity date. – This Ordinance shall take effect within fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

ORDAINED this 22nd day of October 2009 during the special session of the Sangguniang Bayan of Bacoor, Cavite.

I hereby certify the truth and accuracy of the foregoing Ordinance.

Certified by:
HON. ROLANDO S. REMULLA
Councilor/ Acting Presiding Officer

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Attested by:
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Approved by:
HON. STRIKE B. REVILLA
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