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CITY OF BACOOR  
Province of Cavite

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD  
CITY ORDINANCE NO. CO 4-2016  
SERIES OF 2016

AN ORDINANCE REDUCING THE MINIMUM REGULAR TRICYCLE FARE FOR THE FIRST FOUR (4) KILOMETERS OF EACH TRIP IN THE CITY OF BACOOR BY ONE (1) PESO, DEPUTIZING BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND TODA/HOA OFFICIALS, INSTITUTING A REWARDS SYSTEM TO ENSURE ITS SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF.

Sponsored by: Hon. Edwin G. Gawaran and Hon. Hernando C. Gutierrez

WHEREAS, the price of oil has been steadily plummeting since last year in the global market due to the oversupply of this prime commodity.

WHEREAS, the significant decrease in the price of oil in the world market affected fuel pump prices in the country prompting the Land Transportation and Fare Regulatory Board (LTFRB) to reduce the minimum fare in jeepneys by One Pesos (PhP 1.00) beginning on 22 January 2016.

WHEREAS, one of the modes of public transportation in the City of Bacoor are tricycles that are used daily by thousands of commuters. Most of the said tricycles use gasoline for fuel.

WHEREAS, the Department of Energy (DOE) has reported on its official website [www.doe.gov.ph] that as of 26 January 2016, most of the oil companies implemented a price rollback for gasoline by P0.60/L, diesel by P0.90/L and kerosene by P1.10/L and that total price adjustment this year stands now with a net decrease of P1.60/liter for gasoline and P3.20/liter for diesel.

WHEREAS, in view of the significant reduction in domestic fuel pump prices, there is a need to reduce the minimum fares in public utility tricycle fares operating in the City of Bacoor and afford relief to the riding public.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor, Cavite THAT:

Section 1. Short Title. -- This Ordinance shall also be known as the "2016 Fuel Reduction Ordinance of the City of Bacoor".

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Section 2. Coverage. -- All public utility tricycles operating in the City of Bacoor (the "City"), including tricycles transporting schoolchildren or are being used to ferry goods, shall be covered by this Ordinance.

Section 3. Fare Reduction. -- The minimum fare for the first four (4) kilometers of each trip in all public utility tricycles operating in the City shall be Seven Pesos (PhP 7.00) only.

Section 4. Implementation. -- The Bacoor Traffic Management Department (BTMD) and the Philippine National Police (PNP) are hereby empowered to implement this Ordinance not only by acting on complaints filed by commuters but also by randomly flagging tricycles operating within the City in order to check if the fare matrix to be issued by the Bacoor City Transportation Board (BCTB) after the date of effectivity of this Ordinance is being prominently displayed within the said motor vehicles and to inquire from the passenger of the said vehicle if the minimum fare mandated in the immediately preceding section is being properly observed.

Section 5. Deputation of Barangay Official, TODA Officials, and Homeowners Association Officers. -- To ensure its successful implementation, the following persons are hereby deputized to implement this Ordinance:

a) all elected and appointed officials of the 73 barangays of the City;
b) all duly elected and incumbent officials of all the duly accredited Tricycle Operators and Drivers Associations (TODA) operating in the City; and
c) all duly elected and incumbent officials of all the duly accredited Homeowners Associations (HOA) operating in the City.

Section 6. Fare Matrix. -- The fare matrix to be released by the BCTB following the date of effectivity of this Ordinance shall be prominently displayed in the cabin of all tricycles operating within the City. Failure to prominently display the said matrix or the display of a falsified matrix shall be considered a violation of this Ordinance.

Section 7. Automatic Fare Adjustments. -- In case domestic fuel prices increase following the approval of this Ordinance, the minimum fare for tricycles shall be automatically adjusted. Provided that, such increase in the minimum fare shall not exceed any increase mandated by the LTFRB in the minimum fares to be charged by public utility jeepneys operating in Region IV-A.
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Section 8. Penalties. -- The following penalties shall be imposed against any person who violates this Ordinance:

First Offense
Fine of P2,000.00

Second Offense
Fine of P3,000.00

Third Offense
Fine of P4,000.00 plus cancellation of Mayor’s Permit and Franchise to Operate

Provided that, the driver and registered owner or operator of the tricycle concerned shall be jointly and solidarily liable to pay the said fines. Provided further, that if the offender pays the said fines within five (5) working days following his apprehension, a fifty percent (50%) discount in the above-mentioned fines shall be imposed in his favor. Provided lastly, the said discount shall not be granted in favor of the offender if he does not voluntarily pay the reduced fines within the 5-day period mentioned above or if he pays the said fine under protest by virtue of the pendency of a case that he filed against the City.

Section 9. Reward System. -- To ensure the effective implementation of this Ordinance, half of any penalty collected by the City from any person who violated herewith shall be given as a reward to the person who apprehended the offender. Such reward shall be duly received by the person concerned and his name and other personal details shall be recorded by the Office of the City Treasurer.

Section 10. BCTB Hearings and Inspectors. -- To determine the culpability of persons suspected of violating this Ordinance, the BCTB is hereby empowered to conduct hearings where the right to due process of such persons shall be respected. The BCTB is further empowered to appoint inspectors who shall have the power to investigate any complaint filed before the said Board in relation to this Ordinance.

Section 11. Date of Effectivity. -- This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after it has been published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Bacoor and after it has been approved by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Cavite.

Section 12. Implementing Guidelines. -- The BCTB is hereby empowered to formulate the implementing guidelines

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of this Ordinance with regard Section 9 hereof in coordination with the BTMD, the Bacoor PNP, and the City Treasurer.

Section 13. Separability. -- Any provision of this Ordinance declared void by any court of law shall not affect the other provisions hereof not affected by such declaration.

Section 14. Dissemination and Public Information Campaign. -- The Sangguniang Panlungsod Secretariat is hereby directed to furnish the following with certified true copies of this Ordinance:

a) the Punong Barangay of all of the barangays in the City;
b) the incumbent President of all of the duly-accredited TODAs in the City of Bacoor;
c) the incumbent President of all of the duly-accredited HOAs in the City of Bacoor;
d) the Chief of the Bacoor PNP;
e) the BTMD;
f) the City Treasurer; and

g) all other government offices and agencies concerned.

The Sangguniang Panlungsod Secretariat is also required to coordinate with the Public Information Office of the City of Bacoor on the display of streamers and posters informing the public about the effectivity of this Ordinance.

APPROVED this 1st day of February 2016 at the City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance is true and correct and that it was duly approved in accordance with law.

Certified by:

HON. CATHERINE S. EVARISTO
Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

Attested by:

ATTY. KHALID A. ATEGA JR.
Sangguniang Panlungsod Secretary

Certified by:

HON. CATHERINE S. EVARISTO
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

Approved by:

HON. STRIKE B. REVILLA, PhD
City Mayor