CITY RESOLUTION NO. CR 2017-122
Series of 2017

A RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDING TO THE CITY MAYOR TO AUTHORIZE THE SUSPENSION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 25-S-2009 AS AMENDED (OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “MUSSEL/OYSTER FARMING ORDINANCE OF BACOOR”) IN VIEW OF PROPOSALS TO RECLAIM PORTIONS OF BACOOR BAY.


WHEREAS, the city government has received numerous unsolicited proposals from the private sector calling for the reclamation of certain portions of Bacoor Bay which form part of the municipal waters of the City of Bacoor.

WHEREAS, though the final approval of the said proposals does not fall within the purview of the powers of the city government, the possibility that the said proposals might be approved within the near future by the national government may not be discounted.

WHEREAS, hundreds of fisherfolk families depend upon the Bacoor Bay for their livelihood especially in relation to the operation of mussel and oyster farms.

WHEREAS, Municipal Ordinance No. 25 was passed by the erstwhile Sangguniang Bayan in 2009 for the purpose of regulating the operation of mussel and oyster farms operating within the municipal waters of the City of Bacoor and prevent environmental degradation. It was later amended by City Ordinance No. 2013-033. Under the said ordinance, operators of mussel and oyster farms located within the municipal waters of the city are required to pay fees to the city government annually for the exercise of the privilege to use the city’s marine resources.

WHEREAS, the possibility that the said proposals to reclaim Bacoor Bay should give the city government enough reason to study the feasibility of suspending the implementation of Municipal Ordinance No. 25 as amended, in light of the economic impact of the said projects to the livelihood of the fisherfolk families to be affected thereby.
NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of Councillor Reynaldo D.C. Palabrica duly seconded by Councillor Gaudencio P. Nolasco, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod in regular session duly assembled to respectfully suggest to the City Mayor, Hon. Lani Mercado-Revilla, to seriously consider suspending the implementation of Municipal Ordinance No. 25-S-2009 as amended in light of the economic ramifications of the possible approval by the national government of the various unsolicited proposals for the reclamation of portions of Bacoor Bay on the livelihood of fisherfolk families residing within the City of Bacoor.

RESOLVED LASTLY, to furnish the City Agriculture Office, the Business Permit and Licensing Office, the City Treasurer's Office, and other government agencies concerned with copies of this resolution.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED this 18th day of October 2017 at the City of Bacoor during the 42nd regular session of the 3rd Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed in accordance with law and that its contents are true and correct.

Certified by:

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

Attested by:

ATTY. KHALID A. ATEGA, JR.
Sangguniang Panlungsod Secretary

Approved by:

HON. LANI MERCADO-REVILLA
City Mayor
October 30, 2017

Atty. KHALID A. ATEGA Jr
Secretary, Sangguniang Panlungsod
City of Bacoor

Dear Atty. ATEGA:

Greetings.

We return to your office the following resolution in which the undersigned deferred to sign for the meantime, to wit:

1. **City Resolution No. CO 2017-122**

Kindly acknowledge receipt hereof.

Thank you.

Truly yours,

[Signature]

LAW MERCADO-REVILLA
City Mayor

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