



Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Cavite  
City of Bacoor



## 5<sup>th</sup> SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

### COMMITTEE ON SENIOR CITIZEN

#### COMMITTEE REPORT

NO. SC002-PCO-065-S-2023

Subject: *An Ordinance Regulating the Elections of Senior Citizens Associations in the City of Bacoor, Cavite and Providing Penalties for Violations hereof. (PCO No. 2023-065 dated 09 March 2023).*

A Committee Hearing was held last 09 March 2023, 9:26am at the Sangguniang Panlungsod Session Hall presided by Hon. Simplicio Dominguez, Committee Chairman on Senior Citizen with its Committee Members and resource persons.

#### FINDINGS:

This Ordinance intends to prevent any misunderstandings and bickering among Senior Citizens related to the election of officers operating within the City of Bacoor, Cavite by formulating a clear set of guidelines related to the said elections.

After careful deliberation, the following were the suggestions for revision:

- a. **Section 1. Title** – proposed title from SCARE to **Senior CARE**
- b. **Section 4. Binding Nature of OSCA Ruling; Appeal** –  
To insert this statement "Any election complaint/petition shall be handled for mediation and resolution by the Senior Citizen's Federation of the City of Bacoor before it will be filed before the OSCA. Unless appealed, the decision of the head of the OSCA on any controversy related to the interpretation of this Ordinance shall be binding on all contending parties."
- c. **Section 8. Appointive Officers** – to read as "No one person shall hold more than **one** position in the association"
- d. **Section 11. Qualification of a Voter** – to remove the statement " **and must have paid all of his/her membership dues**". Thus, to read as " To qualify as a voter, a senior citizen must be in the master list of the association at least ten (10) days prior to the day of the election.

Please find attached revision incorporating the above suggestions (Annex A)

#### RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee respectfully recommends the approval of the Proposed Ordinance Regulating the Elections of Senior Citizens Associations in the City of Bacoor, Cavite and Providing Penalties for Violations hereof after the above suggestions be incorporated.



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**WE HEREBY CERTIFY** that the contents of the foregoing report are true and correct.

Signed this 3rd day of April 2023 at the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

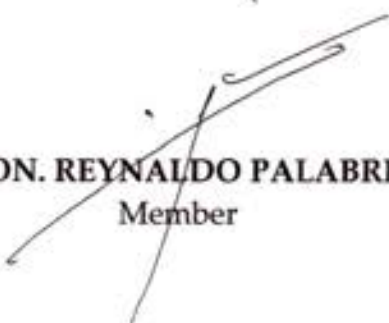
### COMMITTEE ON SENIOR CITIZENS

**HON. SIMPLICIO G. DOMINGUEZ**

Chairman

**HON. LEVY TELA**

Vice-Chairman



**HON. REYNALDO PALABRICA**  
Member



**HON ADRIELITO GAWARAN**  
Member



## Proposed City Ordinance No. 2023-065

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE ELECTIONS OF SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATIONS IN THE CITY OF BACOR, CAVITE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF.**

Sponsored by:

**Hon. Simplicio G. Dominguez and Hon. Reynaldo D. Palabrica**

Co-Sponsored by:

**Hon. Michael E. Solis and Hon. Adrielito G. Gawaran****BE IT ORDAINED** by the 5<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor, Cavite **THAT:**

**Section 1. Title.** This Ordinance shall be known as the "Senior Citizens Associations Regulation of Elections (**Senior CARE**) Ordinance".

**Section 2. Purpose and Coverage.** This Ordinance intends to prevent any misunderstandings and bickering among senior citizens related to the election of officers of senior citizen associations operating within the City of Bacoor, Cavite by formulating a clear set of guidelines related to the said elections.

**Section 3. Role and Powers of the OSCA.** Aside from the powers vested in it by law, the Office of the Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA) of the City of Bacoor shall have the power to enforce this Ordinance, monitor the conduct of all elections of senior citizens associations operating within the City, and settle any dispute related to the interpretation of any provision of this Ordinance.

**Section 4. Binding Nature of OSCA Ruling; Appeal.** Any election complaint/petition shall be handled for mediation and resolution by the Senior Citizen's Federation of the City of Bacoor before it will be filed before OSCA. Unless appealed, the decision of the head of the OSCA on any controversy related to the interpretation of this Ordinance shall be binding on all contending parties. The said decision shall become binding on the said parties if no written appeal is filed with the Office of the City Mayor within ten (10) working days following their receipt of the OSCA decision. The City Mayor shall rule on the appeal, with the assistance of the City Legal Officer, within fifteen (15) working days upon receipt thereof.

**Section 5. Qualification for Membership in Senior Citizens Associations.** To be a member of any senior citizens association within the City of Bacoor, a person must be at least 60 years old and has been residing in the City of Bacoor for at least one (1) year as evidenced by a Certificate of Residency to be issued by the Punong Barangay of the barangay where he/she resides.

**Section 6. Ban Against Membership in More than One Association.** No senior citizen shall be allowed to be a member of more than one senior citizen association within the City of Bacoor. A senior citizen who changed residences must inform the association where he/she is registered about his/her intent to change residences either in writing, email, or text message. The officials of the association where the senior citizen used to be a member of shall notify the Office of Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA) within seven working days about the change of residence of its former member. Upon receipt of the said notification, the OSCA shall remove the senior citizen's name from the membership roll of the association concerned and put his/her name in the roll of members of the association that he/she will join because



of the said change of residence. Aside from the said notice of change in residence, the senior citizen concerned shall not be required to submit any document just to move from one association to another. Neither shall the said senior citizen be required to pay any fee to effect his/her change of association.

**Section 7. Elective Officers.** Each senior citizen association covered by this ordinance shall elect a President, Vice President, and fifteen members to the association's Board of Directors. Once elected, the members of the Board of Directors, the President, and the Vice President shall elect an Auditor from among the members of the Board of Directors.

**Section 8. Appointive Officers.** The following officers shall be appointed by the President of the Association from among the members of the Board of Directors: secretary, treasurer, business manager, press relations officer, and sergeant-at-arms. No one person shall hold more than **one** position in the association. The appointments made by President shall require the concurrence of the majority of the elected members of the Board of Directors.

**Section 9. Qualifications of Candidates.** To be qualified to run as an officer or director of the association, a candidate must be a member of the association for at least one (1) year and must be a resident of the barangay with jurisdiction over the association for at least one (1) year. The Punong Barangay of the said barangay and all government employees are not qualified to become an officer of the association.

**Section 10. Term of Office.** All officers of the association, including members of the Board of Directors, shall serve a term of three (3) years. They can be reelected for another term but can only serve for two (2) consecutive terms.

**Section 11. Qualification of a Voter.** To qualify as a voter, a senior citizen must be in the master list of the association at least ten (10) days prior to the day of the election. The voter must also be able to read and write and must possess a sound mind for at least three (3) consecutive days leading to the elections and on the day of the elections itself.

**Section 12. Pre-Election Activity.** Before the election, the association shall conduct a General Assembly to discuss all election matters and other association matters. The association may set a last day of registration of members to be included in the master list, if necessary.

**Section 13. Nomination Election Committee.** A body that will take charge of the nomination process and election of the Association's covered by this Ordinance to be known as the Nomination Election Committee (NEC) is hereby created. The NEC shall be composed of the Incumbent officers of the City Federation of Senior Citizens Associations of the City of Bacoor or their duly authorized representative/s to supervise the conduct of election in coordination with the City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO) and the OSCA. There must be a representative from the City Social Welfare (CSWD) and Office of the Senior Citizen's Affairs (OSCA) in the conduct of elections to monitor and assist in ensuring free and credible elections.

**Section 14. Mandatory Elections.** All senior citizens associations in the City of Bacoor are mandated to hold elections once every three years not later than the last day of December.

**Section 15. Power of City Mayor to Call for Elections and Appoint Officers.** In case an association fails or refuses to call elections within the period mentioned in the immediately preceding section, the

City Mayor shall have the power to call for elections on a date of his/her own choosing as well as appoint interim officers who will take charge of the association's affairs while the new officers have not yet been elected. The term of office of the interim officers appointed by the City Mayor shall expire immediately after the duly elected officers of the association have been proclaimed by the NEC.

**Section 16. Prohibited Acts.** The commission of the following acts are hereby prohibited:

- 16.1. Coercing, bribing, or preventing a senior citizen from being nominated as an officer of the Association or from voting;
- 16.2. Unjustifiably refusing to adhere to the Decision of the OSCA or of the City Mayor on a controversy related to the interpretation of the provisions of this Ordinance;
- 16.3. Unjustifiable refusal to hold elections during the period specified above; and
- 16.4. Other acts similar or analogous to the foregoing.

**Section 17. Implementing Guidelines.** The OSCA, with the assistance of the City Legal Service Office, is hereby directed to formulate the implementing guidelines of this Ordinance and to submit the same to the City Mayor for approval not later than sixty (60) days after the effectivity hereof.

**Section 18. Repeal Clause.** All ordinances and resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**Section 19. Separability Clause.** In case any provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or void by a competent court of law, the other provisions hereof not affected by the said declaration shall remain valid.

**Section 20. Effectivity Clause.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after it has been posted in at least three conspicuous places within the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

**APPROVED** this \_\_\_ day of March 2023 by the 5<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

*I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance has been duly approved in accordance with law by the 5<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor, Cavite.*

Certified by:

**HON. ROWENA BAUTISTA-MENDIOLA**  
*City Vice Mayor/ Presiding Officer*

Attested by:

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

Approved by:

**HON. STRIKE B. REVILLA**  
*City Mayor*

Date of Approval: \_\_\_\_\_ 2023





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1. The committee hearing started at exactly 9:26am.
2. Councilor Simplicio Dominguez presided over the hearing and acknowledged the presence of the committee members and resource persons.
3. Invocation was led by Jocelyn Bautista followed by reading of Committee Hearing Protocol by Arlene Hernandez.
4. Reading and review of the Proposed Ordinance by Hon. Reynaldo Palabrica. The following were the suggestions for revision:
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There being no other matters of concerned or for discussion, the Committee Hearing was adjourned at exactly 10:30am.

Prepared by:

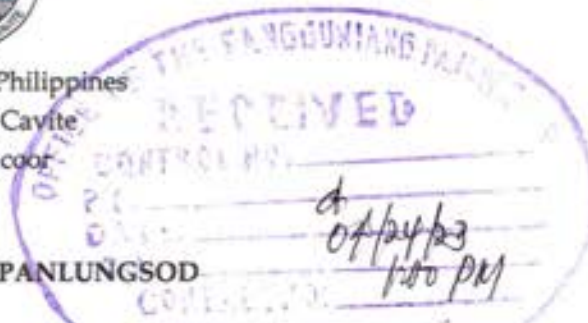
  
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**ARLENE C. HERNANDEZ**  
 Local Legislative Staff I

Attested By:

  
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**COUN. SIMPLICIO G. DOMINGUEZ**  
 Committee Chairman



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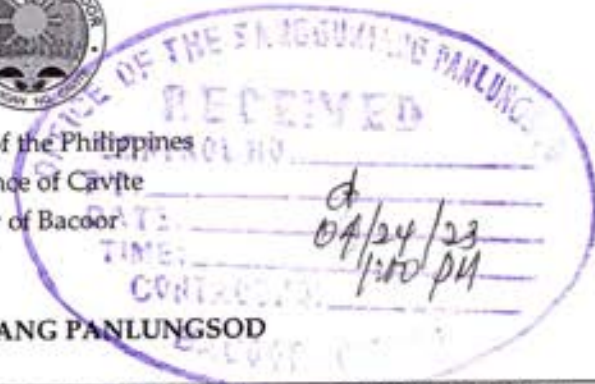
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Coun. Reynaldo Palabrica	- <i>Sec</i>	3-7-23	<i>[Signature]</i>
Coun. Adrielito Gawaran	✓ <i>marinette</i>	3/6/23	<i>[Signature]</i>
Coun. Ramon Bautista	- <i>Arden Rivers</i>	03/06/23	<i>[Signature]</i>
Atty. Venus de Castro	- <i>By: Mery Mendoza</i>	3/6/23	<i>[Signature]</i>
Mrs. Nenita Reyes	- <i>[Signature]</i>	3/6/23	<i>[Signature]</i>
Kap. Jun Enriquez	- <i>[Signature]</i>	3/7/23	<i>[Signature]</i>
Atty. Eugene de Jesus	✓ <i>Uequipoda</i>	3/6/23	<i>Uequipoda</i>





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ATTENDANCE

Name	Association	Position/ Designation	Mobile No. or E-mail address	Signature
Coun. Simplicio Dominguez	SP	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member		
Coun. Levy Tela	SP	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member		
Coun. Reynaldo Palabrica	SP	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member		
Coun. Adrielito Gawaran	SP	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member		
Coun. Ramon Bautista	ABC	President		
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Mrs. Nenita Reyes	Senior Citizen Federation	President		
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(09 March 2023 at 9:00 AM)  
(SP Session Hall)

