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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. CEAGRO-PCO 2022-059

Committee on Ethics, Appointments and Government Reorganization

Proposed City Ordinance No. 2022-059

Proposed Title:

AN ORDINANCE MERGING VARIOUS BARANGAYS IN THE CITY OF BACOR, CAVITE TO ENSURE THEIR ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT, RENAMING THE MERGED BARANGAYS, FIXING THEIR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIAL BOUNDARIES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE HOLDING OF A PLEBISCITE FOR THE APPROVAL HEREOF AS MANDATED BY LAW.

I. Antecedents:

The above captioned proposed city ordinance underwent first reading on 12 December 2022. The said proposed legislation was referred to the Committee on Ethics, Appointments and Government Reorganization (" Committee on Gov't. Reorganization on even date.

The Committee on Rules sent out invitations to residents and barangay officials of the 49 barangays mentioned in the proposed ordinance and conducted hearings on the said subject matter on the following dates:

Date of Hearing	Sector/s in Attendance
22 December 2022	Punong Barangay of 49 barangays involved in the proposed ordinance and some residents
12 January 2023	Punong Barangay of 49 barangays involved in the proposed ordinance and various department heads of the city government
19 January 2023	SK officers and Punong Barangay of the 49 barangays mentioned in the proposed ordinance
26 January 2023	Bacoor City Election Officer

After the said hearings, the Committee requested all the members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod to participate in several meetings on the provisions of the proposed ordinance and they suggested several revisions to the draft ordinance. Most of the said suggestions were used by the Committee as basis in proposing the revisions to the proposed ordinance appearing below.

Moreover, the Committee recommended to the Punong Barangay of the 49 barangays mentioned in the proposed ordinance to conduct barangay assemblies to be attended by their barangay officials and constituents so that the opinions of all sectors affected by the proposed merger of barangays shall be heard. As of this writing, the Sangguniang Barangay of all the 49 barangays mentioned in the proposed ordinance already submitted separate barangay resolutions approving and supporting the proposed merger of the 44 barangays as well as the renaming of all of the 49 barangays.



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II. Revisions to the Proposed Ordinance:

1. The Title

The Committee proposes that the title of the proposed ordinance ("AN ORDINANCE MERGING VARIOUS BARANGAYS IN THE CITY OF BACOR, CAVITE TO ENSURE THEIR ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT, RENAMING THE MERGED BARANGAYS, FIXING THEIR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIAL BOUNDARIES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE HOLDING OF A PLEBISCITE FOR THE APPROVAL HEREOF AS MANDATED BY LAW") be amended and revised to:

AN ORDINANCE MERGING VARIOUS BARANGAYS IN THE CITY OF BACOR, CAVITE TO ENSURE THEIR ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT, RENAMING THE MERGED BARANGAYS AND THE BARANGAYS AFFECTED BY SUCH MERGER, FIXING THEIR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIAL BOUNDARIES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE HOLDING OF A PLEBISCITE FOR THE APPROVAL HEREOF AS MANDATED BY LAW.

The additions of the phrase "AND THE BARANGAYS AFFECTED BY SUCH MERGER" is respectfully endorsed by the Committee after it was realized by majority of the members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod that only 44 of the 49 barangays mentioned in the draft ordinance are actually going to be merged and the remaining five (i.e., Zapote 5, Ligas 3, P.F. Espiritu 4, P.F. Espiritu 7, and P.F. Espiritu 8) will just be renamed as a consequence of the merger of the 44 barangays mentioned above so as not to confuse the public.

The Committee respectfully stresses that Barangays Zapote 5, Ligas 3, P.F. Espiritu 4, P.F. Espiritu 7, and P.F. Espiritu 8 should not be included in the proposed plebiscite because:

- (a) They will not be merged with another barangay which means that their political boundaries shall not be substantially altered;
- (b) Section 10 of RA 7160 specifies that the creation, division, merger, abolition, or substantial alteration of boundaries of local government units are the only issues to be presented for approval by the electorate in the plebiscite. Thus, the Committee believes that there is no need to include the issue of the renaming of the five barangays mentioned above in the said plebiscite; and
- (c) The renaming of the said barangays was inserted in the proposed ordinance so that the officials and residents of the barangays involved can participate in the public hearings conducted by the Committee so that they will understand that the merger and renaming of the 44 barangays mentioned above necessitated the revision of the names of Barangays Zapote 5, Ligas 3, P.F. Espiritu 4, P.F. Espiritu 7, and P.F. Espiritu 8 and for no other reason.



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2. The WHEREAS clauses

The Committee recommends that the phrase "change the name of city barangays, upon the recommendation of the sangguniang barangay concerned" appearing in the sixth WHEREAS clause of the proposed ordinance be emphasized for uniformity of style and the parentheticals "Emphasis supplied" be inserted at the end of the sentence for the sake of accuracy. Thus, the said WHEREAS clause should read as follows:

"WHEREAS, Section 13 (c) (1) of RA 7160 provides that the sanggunians of component cities and municipalities may, in consultation with the Philippine Historical Commission, change the name of city barangays, upon the recommendation of the sangguniang barangay concerned. (Emphasis supplied)"

The Committee does not recommend any additional revision to the WHEREAS clauses of the proposed ordinance.

3. Section 2

The Committee respectfully recommends that Section 2 of the proposed ordinance be amended by amending Row 4 of the table appearing therein so that it shall read as "Mabolo 1, 2, and 3" and not as "Mabolo 1 and 2". Row 5 which states "Mabolo 3" should be deleted considering the intent of the Committee to recommend to the Body that Barangays Mabolo 1, 2, and 3 should be merged into one barangay that shall be named as "Barangay Mabolo" in order to further increase the budget and economic growth potential of the said barangays.

Row 10 of the said table should be deleted because barangay Zapote 5 is not among the barangays to be merged and should not have been included in the said list.

The Committee likewise recommends that Row 13 of the same table be amended so that it shall read as "Aniban 1, 3, and 5" and not as "Aniban 1, 2, and 5". This recommendation is being made after the Committee noticed during its 12 January 2023 hearing where the Zoning Officer of the City (Engr. Arthur San Jose) was in attendance that barangay Aniban 2 adjoins Barangay Aniban 4 and not Barangays Aniban 1 and 5. The map of the said barangays clearly showed that Barangays Aniban 1, 3, and 5 are lumped on the right side of the Aniban-Molino-Salawag-Paliparan Road (when one is headed south) while Barangays Aniban 2 and 4 adjoin one another on the left side of the same thoroughfare. Consequently, the Committee recommends that Row 14 of the table be amended so that it shall read as "Aniban 2 and 4" instead of "Aniban 3 and 4".

Row 18 of the same table should be deleted because Barangay Ligas 3 is not among the barangays to be merged and should not have been included in the said list. Because of the deletion of Rows 10 and 18, Row 17 of the table should be renumbered as Row 15.

The word "Panapaan" appearing in Lines 19 to 22 in the said table should be deleted and replaced by "P.F. Espiritu" because that is the name officially given to the said barangays by Congress in Republic Act No. 10160 (the "Charter of the City of Bacoor") and not Panapaan.



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The Committee recommends that Barangays Real 1 and 2 should be merged and should be included in the said list because they adjoin one another and both barangays have annual budgets that are insufficient to finance the various projects of the said local government units. The Committee recommends further that the said barangays, once merged, should be renamed as Barangay Real.

The Committee recommends that Barangays P.F. Espiritu 4, 7 and 8 (erroneously referred to as "Panapaan 4", "Panapaan 7", and "Panapaan 8" in the proposed ordinance) should not be included in the proposed merger considering that the budgets of the said barangays are substantial enough to fund their respective programs/projects annually.

In view of the recommendations above, the Committee recommends that the said table be revised and should read as follows:

	Barangays to be Merged	New Barangay Name
1	Sineguelasan, Banalo, and Alima	Barangay SINBANALI
2	Tabing Dagat, Camposanto, and Daang Bukid	Barangay POBLACION
3	Kaingin and Digman	Barangay KAINGIN DIGMAN
4	Mabolo 1, 2, and 3	Barangay MABOLO
5	Salinas 2, 3, and 4	Barangay SALINAS 2
6	Maliksi 2 and 3	Barangay MALIKSI 2
7	Zapote 1 and 2	Barangay ZAPOTE 1
8	Zapote 3 and 4	Barangay ZAPOTE 2
9	Talaba 1, 3 and 7	Barangay TALABA 1
10	Talaba 4, 5 and 6	Barangay TALABA 3
11	Aniban 1, 3, and 5	Barangay ANIBAN 1
12	Aniban 2 and 4	Barangay ANIBAN 2
13	Mambog 2 and Mambog 5	Barangay MAMBOG 2
14	Niog 1, 2, and 3	Barangay NIOG
15	Ligas 1 and 2	Barangay LIGAS 1
16	Real 1 and 2	Barangay REAL
17	P.F. Espiritu 2 and 3	Barangay P.F. Espiritu 2
18	P.F. Espiritu 5 and 6	Barangay P.F. Espiritu 4

4. Insertion of New Section between Sections 2 and 3 of the proposed ordinance

Because of the changes suggested above to Section 2 of the proposed ordinance, the Committee recommends that a new section in between Sections 2 and 3 which should read as follows:

"Section 3. As a consequence of the merger of the barangays enumerated in Section 2 hereof, the following barangays shall be renamed, to wit:

	Barangays to be Renamed	New Barangay Name
1	Zapote 5	Barangay ZAPOTE 3
2	Ligas 3	Barangay LIGAS 2
3	P.F. Espiritu 4	Barangay P.F. ESPIRITU 3
4	P.F. Espiritu 7	Barangay P.F. ESPIRITU 5
5	P.F. Espiritu 8	Barangay P.F. ESPIRITU 6"



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The Committee respectfully reiterates that: (a) the insertion of the said provision does not mean that the said barangays should be included in the plebiscite because they are not among the barangays to be merged, and (b) this new provision is intended solely to prevent confusion among public.

5. Revision of Original Section 3

As presently drafted, Section 3 of the proposed ordinance has a table with three columns devoted for the name of the new barangays, the metes and bounds of the said barangays, and the total land area of the said barangays after they have been merged. The Committee recommends the following:

- a) The said section should be renumbered in view of the insertion of a new section between Sections 2 and 3 of the proposed ordinance.
- b) The said table should be deleted because inserting the metes and bounds of each of the barangays to be created in the said table shall make the proposed ordinance unnecessarily long and tedious to read.
- c) The metes and bounds and technical descriptions of the 18 new barangays to be created should just be appended to the proposed ordinances as Annexes "4" to "21"; and
- d) Section 3 should be amended so that it shall read as follows:

"Section 4. Territorial Jurisdiction of the New Barangays. The land area of each of the merged barangays mentioned above shall be contiguous and their respective territorial jurisdictions shall be properly identified by the metes and bounds and technical descriptions attached hereto as **Annexes "4" to "21"**.

6. Renumbering of Section 4 and 5

The Committee respectfully recommends that Section 4 and 5 of the proposed ordinance be renumbered to Section 5 and 6, respectively, as a result of the insertion of a new section between Section 2 and 3 as intimated above.

7. Renumbering and revision of Section 6

Presently, Section 6 of the proposed ordinance reads as follow:

"Section 6. Assets and Barangay Hall. The physical assets of the merged barangays such as but not limited to buildings, vehicles, office equipment and supplies and furniture shall become part of the physical part of the physical assets of the new barangay pursuant to relevant government regulations. The General Services Officer AND THE City Accountant of the Bacoor City Government are hereby empowered and directed to assist the affected barangays in the implementation of this provision. After the October 2023 barangay elections, the officials of the newly created barangays shall determine the location of their barangay hall."

The Committee recommends that the said section must include a provision specifying that the funds of the barangays that have been merged shall form part of the funds of the newly created barangays. The said provision was the suggestion of most of the punong barangays who attended the hearings mentioned above and is intended to prevent confusion, foster a smooth political transition, and promote fiscal accountability.



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Thus, the Committee respectfully recommends that the erstwhile Section 6 should be revised and should read as follows:

"Section 7. Assets and Barangay Hall. The physical assets of the merged barangays such as but not limited to buildings, vehicles, office equipment and supplies and furniture shall become part of the physical assets of the new barangay pursuant to relevant government regulations. The General Services Officer and the City Accountant of the Bacoor City Government are hereby empowered and directed to assist the affected barangays in the implementation of this provision. After the October 2023 barangay elections, the officials of the newly created barangays shall determine the location of their barangay hall. The funds of the various barangays that have been merged pursuant to this Ordinance shall become part of the funds of the new barangay herein created."

8. Renumbering of and revision of Section 7

The Committee recommends respectfully that Section 7 of the proposed ordinance should be renumbered and revised as follows:

" Section 8. Income and Funds. The income and funds of the merged barangays shall be transferred to the new barangays mentioned in Section 2 hereof pursuant to relevant government regulations. The City Budget Officer, the City Treasurer and the City Accountant of the Bacoor City Government are hereby empowered and directed to assist the affected barangays in the implementation of this provision."

The insertion of the words "and funds" in the said section will assuage the fears of some of the resource persons invited by the Committee during one of its hearings that the barangay officials who might lose their position as a result of the merger might misinterpret Section 7 and use it as justification to dissipate the remaining funds of the barangay. The Committee respectfully believes that, by inserting the said phrase in Section 7, all parties concerned shall understand that the remaining funds of the barangays that merged to become a new barangay shall become part of the funds of the new barangay.

9. Renumbering and Revision of Section 8

After conducting hearing attended not only by the officials and residents of the barangay to be included in the proposed merger but also by officials of the Commission on Elections and by the heads of the departments of the City Government, the Committee respectfully recommends that the erstwhile Section 8 should be renumbered and revised as follows:

"Section 9. Appropriation of Funds. The amount of Thirty Million Pesos (Php 30,000,000.00) to be taken from the available funds of the Office of the City Mayor is hereby appropriated to fund the holding of a plebiscite for the ratification of this Ordinance as mandated by law."



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10. Renumbering of Section 9.

The Committee respectfully suggests that the Section 9 be renumbered as Section 10.

11. Insertion of the new section between Section 9 and 10 of the proposed ordinance to be denominated as Section 11.

During the hearings, various resource persons aired their concern that the residents of the barangays to be included for merger might vote against the ordinance simply because they will be inconvenienced by the need to have their respective residential addresses changed post-merger. The Committee recognize the validity of this view and respectfully recommends to the Body that a new provision be inserted between the erstwhile Section 9 and 10 of the proposed ordinance which should read as follows:

"Section 11. Public Information Campaign; Assistance to Public on Change of Address.

The Office of the City Mayor and the City Information Office are hereby authorized to launch and supervise a public information campaign on the merits and legal consequences of this Ordinance.

The said offices are likewise mandated to assist any Bacoor City resident who might need help in changing their residential address as a consequences of the approval of this Ordinance. Such assistance shall be given for free and might consist of, but shall not be limited to, (a) preparing affidavits duly signed by the City Mayor certifying that the said change in address was made necessary by the approval of this Ordinance that can be downloaded from the official website of the city government, (b) sending formal letters signed by the City Mayor or other city officials to government agencies or private corporations such as banking institutions and public utilities informing the latter about the approval of the Ordinance and explaining why the said change in address became necessary, and (c) any other type of assistance that can be extended to a Bacoor City resident whose address appearing in his/her credentials has been affected by the approval of this Ordinance."

12. Renumbering and revision of Section 10.

The Committee recommends that the Section 10 of the proposed Ordinance be renumbered as Section 12 and should be amended as follows:

"Section 12. Plebiscite. This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval by a majority of the votes cast in a plebiscite called for the purpose in the barangays mentioned in Section 2 hereof. Said plebiscite shall be conducted by the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) within ninety (90) days from the date of effectivity of this ordinance."

The suggested revisions to Section 12 (formerly Section 10) is intended to further elucidate the legislative intent of the Committee (and the Sangguniang Panlungsod if the recommendations of the Committee will be approved in the plenary) that only the barangays enumerated in Section 2 of the proposed ordinance will participate in the plebiscite while the ninety-day period is intended to give the COMELEC more time prepare for the holding of the said electoral exercise.



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13. Renumbering of Section 11

The Committee respectfully recommends that the Section 11 be renumbered as Section 13.

III. Conclusion

The Committee respectfully recommends that the Sangguniang Panlungsod **APPROVE** the various revisions to the proposed ordinance as enumerated in this report and thereafter, **APPROVE** the attached revised copy of the proposed ordinance on Second reading.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of March 2023 at the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

Approved by:



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Vice-Chairperson



HON. MICHAEL E. SOLIS
Member



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Member



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COMMITTEE EN BANC

Lead Committee: Committee on Ethics, Appointments, and Government
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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE HEARING

CeB-CEAGR-PCO-2022-059

Subject: *An Ordinance merging various Barangays in the City of Bacoor, Cavite to ensure their economic growth and development, renaming the merged Barangays, fixing their respective territorial boundaries, and appropriating funds for the holding of a plebiscite for the approval hereof as mandated by law.*

A committee hearing on the above-mentioned subject was conducted on December 22, 2022 at the Session Hall of the Sangguniang Panlungsod with the members of the Honorable Committee and the resource persons.

- The Presiding Officer read the above-subject matter and the committee hearing was called to order at exactly 1:30 p.m.
- The committee hearing with the elected barangay officials (Punong Barangay) was presided by City Councilor Hon. Reynaldo C. Palabrica.
- The Presiding Officer asked City Councilor Rogelio Nolasco to lead the prayer.
- The Presiding Officer proceeded with the introduction of the City Councilors present.
- The Presiding Officer briefly explained the nature of the proposed ordinance, its effects and benefit.
- The Presiding Officer asked the members of the Honorable Committee for their opening statements.
- Councilor Aide Pagulayan stated that the proposed ordinance is not yet final and executory. He added that the proposed ordinance is the idea of the City Mayor for the improvement of barangay services. He further said that the council will be asking opinions and suggestions from different government agencies including the leaders of the barangays.
- Councilor Rogelio Nolasco reserved his comments and will later asked for the opinions and suggestions of the resource persons.
- Councilor Victorio Guerrero said that the proposed merging ordinance will be a big help for barangays for it will increase its budget. He further stated that all questions and clarifications can be discussed during the hearing.
- Councilor Levy Tela manifested that the proposed merging ordinance will be for the benefit of all. He mentioned that barangays with small Internal Revenue



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Allocation or IRA will be able to serve the public better once merged. He further asked for the support of all Punong Barangays for this great intention of the City Mayor.

- Councilor Michael Solis narrated that this proposed ordinance emanated by the problems seen by the City Mayor on small barangays. He added that once small barangays are merged, honoraria of public servants will increase and further asked for the cooperation of all Punong Barangays and Barangay Kagawad in passing the proposed ordinance.
- Liga ng mga Barangay President and City Councilor Ramon Bautista said that the proposed merging ordinance will be beneficial to small barangays who cant do projects due to lack of financial capability. He cited as an example barangays with big budget allocation who are serving their constituents on greater heights and does not rely on government assistance due to their huge barangay budget.
- SK Federation President and City Councilor Mac Raven Espiritu only wished that the proceedings of the hearing will be smooth for the benefit of small barangays.
- The Presiding Officer acknowledged the manifestations made by the members of the Honorable Committee.
- The Presiding Officer explained that the proposed merging ordinance will take a long process before its passage. Several agencies will be consulted and legal opinions will be solicited that will help to perfectly craft the proposed merging ordinance, he added.
- The Presiding Officer asked who opposes the proposed merging ordinance from resource persons present. He then proceeded asking the opinions, comments and suggestions from them.
- Punong Barangay Jose Agcopra of BARANGAY ANIBAN 1 asked for the parameters of the proposed ordinance. He also suggested that ANIBAN 1 should be retained as the mother barangay of the proposed merging of ANIBAN 1,3 and 5. He further suggested that exact boundaries should be pointed out before the plebiscite.
- Punong Barangay Jun Enriquez of BARANGAY ANIBAN 2 manifested no objection to the proposed merging ordinance. He said that a barangay can stand and can serve the constituents with an annual barangay budget of 10 million.
- Maricris Sta. Ana, Punong Barnagay of BARANGAY ANIBAN 3 said there is nothing she can do for her barangay is one of the smallest barangay in the City with an annual budget 2.4 million. She added that a bigger barangay budget will serve the community better.
- BARANGAY ANIBAN 4 Punong Barangay Edward Baylon manifested his support to the intention of the City Mayor and stated no objection to the proposed merging ordinance.
- Punong Barangay Ariel Lombos showed his support to the proposed merging ordinance. He further wished that displaced Barangay Officials will be accommodated by the city.



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- The Presiding Officer explained that the proposed merging ordinance will also create zoning for merged barangays. He further said that an Administrator position will be created in every zone to be manned by displaced Punong Barangay who will not intend to run in the coming election.
- Punong Barangay Caridad Sanchez of BARANGAY SINEGUELASAN manifested her support to the proposed merging ordinance. She further narrated that they will be choosing one candidate to run for the position of Punong Barangay.
- Wilma Camisin, Punong Barangay of BARANGAY BANALO said that she will support the decision of the City Mayor and further manifested no objection to the proposed merging ordinance.
- Punong Barangay Randy Francisco of BARANGAY DAANG BUKID said that they already discussed during their regular session the proposed merging ordinance and further manifested no objection to it.
- Federico Espiritu, Punong Barangay of BARANGAY CAMPO SANTO showed no objection to the proposed ordinance.
- Punong Barangay Edgardo Purification of BARANGAY DIGMAN stated that the proposed merging ordinance will be beneficial to them. He narrated that due to the small barangay budget that they have, his personal finances is used for the honoraria of other barangay workers. He further wished for the immediate passage of the proposed merging ordinance.
- Punong Barangay Santos of BARANGAY KAINGEN manifested his support to the proposed merging ordinance and further stated that it will help to attain their goals for the barangay.
- Punong Barangay Zaldy Mariano, Rhoel Manago, and Edgardo Lanuza of BARANGAY MABOLO 1,2,3 respectively, manifested no objection to the proposed merging ordinance.
- Punong Barangay Ayat Ugalde, Levi Dizon, and Nieto Toledo of BARANGAY MALIKSI 1,2,3 respectively, manifested no objection to the proposed merging ordinance.
- Ernesto Mateo, Punong Barangay of BARANGAY TALABA 1 showed his support to the proposed merging ordinance.
- Punong Barangay of BARANGAY TALABA 2, Abito Mahilac said that his barangay is the biggest amongst the whole TALABA area with an annual budget of 17 million. He further suggested to make three barangays in the TALABA area and manifested his support to the proposed merging ordinance.
- Punong Barangay Coralyn Pulido of BARANGAY TALABA 3 manifested her support to the intention of the City Mayor. Stated further that they have a small barangay hall which limits them in their everyday transactions. She further suggested to make 2 barangays in the TALABA area.
- Punong Barangay Roger Miranda and Renato Dizon of BARANGAY TALABA 5,7 respectively, manifested no objection to the proposed merging ordinance.
- Mae Torrijos, Punong Barangay of BARANGAY PANAPAAN 1 was saddened by this but still manifested her support to the intentions of the City Mayor.



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- BARANGAY NIOG 1 Punong Barangay Benjamin Pelingon narrated that their barangay have no problems in terms of budget allocation. He further said that he seldom seek for the financial assistance or for additional funding from the city government. He stated there is nothing he can do but to support the intentions of the City Mayor.
- Punong Barangay Alexander Felizardo manifested no objection to the proposed merging ordinance. Further suggested that Barangay Nio 2 and 3 should be the one to merge and not Nio 2 and Panapaan 1 since Panapaan 1 is located on the other side of the road.
- Punong Barangay Pastor Segenes and Barba of BARANGAY NIOG 3 and BARANGAY PANAPAAN 8 respectively manifested no objection to the proposed merging ordinance.
- Punong Barangay Vivian Ramirez and Corazon San Juan of BARANGAY ZAPOTE 1 and ZAPOTE 4 respectively, manifested no objection to the proposed merging ordinance.
- Punong Barangay Lorinda Bautista and Adelaida Catanghal of BARANGAY ZAPOTE 2 and 3 respectively showed their full support to the intentions of the City Mayor. Both agreed for the unity of the two barangays.
- Punong Barangay Joey Agapito and Rene Ang of BARANGAY MAMBOG 2 and 5 respectively, manifested no objection to the proposed merging ordinance.
- Punong Barangay George Medina and Delfin Pascual of BARANGAY LIGAS 1 and 2 respectively, manifested no objection to the proposed merging ordinance. Punong Barangay Medina showed his regret to reliable barangay staff who will be displaced once the ordinance take effect.
- Punong Barangay Consolacion Pugao, Midel Basa of BARANGAY SALINAS 2 and 3 showed their full support to the intentions of the City Mayor and both manifested no objection to the proposed ordinance.
- The Presiding Officer gave his gratitude to the manifestations made by the resource persons. He further assured everyone that displaced barangay officials and staff will be absorbed by the City Government.
- The Presiding Officer asked for the manifestations of the members of the Honorable Committee.
- City Councilor Michael Solis stated that all opinions, comments and suggestions of the resource persons will be carefully studied by the whole council.
- City Councilor Aide Pagulayan asked the resource persons to give their trust once again to the City Mayor. He further said that they will collect all comments and suggestions from all the resource persons.
- City Councilor Victorio Guerrero expressed his enjoyment for the support given by the Punong Barangay to the intentions of the City Mayor and for the manifestations of no objection to the proposed merging ordinance.
- City Councilor Rogelio Nolasco gave his gratitude to all the resource persons for giving time to hear the proposed merging ordinance and for giving their opinions, comments, and suggestions.



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- City Councilor Levy Tela stated that at the end of the day, the City Mayor is still thinking and prioritizing the improvement of all barangay.
- The Presiding Officer gave his gratitude to all the members of the Honorable Committee and to the resource persons present. He then solicited a motion for the suspension of the hearing.
- There being no matters to be discussed, City Councilor Hon. Rogelio Nolasco moved for the suspension of the hearing.
- Hearing no objection, the Presiding Officer declared that the hearing is suspended.
- The committee hearing ended at exactly 3:10 p.m.

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COMMITTEE/S		TITLE OF PROPOSED MEASURE	CONTROL NUMBER	
<i>En Banc</i> Committee on Ethics, Appointments and Government Re Organization		PROPOSED CITY ORDINANCE MERCING VARIOUS BARANGAYS IN THE CITY OF BACOR, CAVITE TO ENSURE THEIR ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT, RENAMING THE MERGED BARANGAYS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE HOLDING OF A PLEBISCITE FOR THE APPROVAL HEREOF AS MANDATED BY LAW.	PCO 2022-059	
VENUE	Sangguniang Panlungsod Session Hall 2nd Floor, Bacoor Government Center		DATE/TIME	December 22, 2022 1:00 PM

NOTICE OF HEARING
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Lead Committee: Committee on Ethics, Appointments, and Government
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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE HEARING

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Subject: *An Ordinance merging various Barangays in the City of Bacoor, Cavite to ensure their economic growth and development, renaming the merged Barangays, fixing their respective territorial boundaries, and appropriating funds for the holding of a plebiscite for the approval hereof as mandated by law.*

A continuing committee hearing on the above-mentioned subject was conducted on January 12, 2023 at the Session Hall of the Sangguniang Panlungsod with the members of the Honorable Committee and the resource persons.

- The Presiding Officer read the above-subject matter and the committee hearing was called to order at exactly 4:15 p.m.
- The committee hearing with the City Department Heads was presided by City Councilor Hon. Reynaldo C. Palabrica.
- The Presiding Officer proceeded with the introduction of the City Councilors present.
- The Presiding Officer asked the resource persons to introduce themselves before the Honorable Committee and their representation.
- The Presiding Officer briefly explained the nature of the proposed ordinance, its effects and benefit.
- The Presiding Officer asked the opinion, comments and suggestion of the City Budget Officer, Ms. Elvinia Guerrero.
- Ms. Guerrero narrated that the Sangguniang Panlungsod previously asked her office the total number of population and income of the barangays.
- The Presiding Officer asked Ms. Guerrero the proceedings regarding the NATA of the newly merged barangays.
- Ms. Guerrero said that as per DBM record, the basis of computation of the National Tax Allocation (NATA) of barangays is population and equal sharing and land area is not included. She further said that if barangays will be merged, barangay officials will be affected by it but will benefit the constituents.
- The Presiding Officer asked Ms. Guerrero if the proposed ordinance be approved before the election by October, will it affect the NATA of the merged barangays.



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- Ms. Guerrero explained that it will not take effect this year because DBM has already released their final NATA. She added that it will probably take effect next year. She cited the Cityhood of Bacoor as an example wherein after a year of its Cityhood occurred the adjustments in the city budget.
- The Presiding Officer for the record stated that the Sangguniang Panlungsod will seek assistance from the budget officer for legal opinion regarding NATA of the proposed merged barangays.
- Councilor Alde Pagulayan manifested that the Sangguniang Panlungsod should correct the record of the National Government in order for the true NATA to be determined.
- The Budget Officer agreed with the manifestation made by Councilor Pagulayan.
- The Presiding Officer asked the opinion, comments and suggestions of the other Department Heads present.
- Mr. Butch Mallare, Assessor Head said that the problem in numbering of tax declaration will be affected by the merging of barangays. He added that presently, the department has its numbering system assigned to each barangay. He added that by this merging, names of barangay and its location will also be changed.
- The Presiding Officer asked Mr. Mallare how much time will the department need for the adjustments and changes in their system. He added that home addresses will also be affected by this merging. Further said that the Sangguniang Panlungsod have come up with a solution by creating Zones in the merged barangays.
- Mr. Mallare replied that it will be a general revision of the system.
- Engineer Art San Jose from the Zoning Department, said that requested areas of the proposed barangay merging were already submitted to the Sangguniang Panlungsod for their perusal. He further added that land titles will be affected by this proposed ordinance. He explained that location of the land will also be affected and should be renamed once this proposed ordinance is approved.
- Barangay Affairs Officer Mr. Elmer Jimenez raised a question regarding the suffixes in the home address once the proposed ordinance is passed. He added that it will affect the valid identification cards of the residents i.e. driver's license, passport, land titles and others.
- The Presiding Officer said that the Local Government of Bacoor will inform all national agencies involved regarding this proposed ordinance as a remedy for the question raised.
- Ms. Teresa Cameros, LCR Officer raised her concern regarding the address of requested birth certificates once the proposed ordinance take effect.
- The Presiding Officer said that once the proposed ordinance took effect, citing as an example Barangay Sinbanali (Sinaguelasan, Banalo, Alima), if a child is born in Barangay Banalo, the address in the birth certificate should be Barangay Sinbanali, Purok or Sitio Banalo. He added that a certification with this new addressing system should be issued by the department for those who have their old addresses.



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- Planning Department representative Ms. Alcantara agreed with the proposed ordinance manifesting that it will increase the income of the merged barangays. A problem will only arise in categorizing the land in the development plan. Some barangays are categorized as industrial and commercial, she added.
- The Presiding Officer said that the Comprehensive Land Use ordinance will still be applied once this proposed ordinance take effect.
- The Presiding Officer narrated that all opinions, concerns and suggestions of the resource persons present will be relayed to the City Mayor for consideration and inclusion in the proposed ordinance.
- There being no matters to be discussed, City Councilor Hon. Alejandro Gutierrez moved for the suspension of the hearing.
- Hearing no objection, the Presiding Officer declared that the hearing is suspended.
- The committee hearing ended at exactly 5:10 p.m.

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Hon. Reynaldo Fabian	01-10-2023		
Hon. Levy Tela	1-10-23		
Hon. Roberto Advincula			
Hon. Ramon Bautista	1/10/2023		
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A continuing committee hearing on the above-mentioned subject was conducted on January 19, 2023 at the Session Hall of the Sangguniang Panlungsod with the members of the Honorable Committee and resource persons.

- The Presiding Officer read the above-subject matter and the committee hearing was called to order at exactly 3:30 p.m.
- The committee hearing with the elected Barangay Officials (Barangay Kagawad and SK Chairpersons) was presided by City Councilor Hon. Reynaldo C. Palabrica.
- The Presiding Officer proceeded with the introduction of the City Councilors present.
- The City Councilors present gave their opening remarks and greeted all the resource persons present.
- The Presiding Officer asked the resource persons to introduce themselves before the Honorable Committee and their representation.
- The Presiding Officer briefly explained the nature of the proposed ordinance, its effects and benefit.
- The Presiding Officer asked the opinions, comments and suggestions of the resource persons present. He further asked the opinions and comments of the ABAKA President, Kagawad Nieves dela Cruz.
- ABAKA President Kagawad dela Cruz narrated that opinions of some barangay kagawad are negative on the proposed ordinance. But she explained that if it's the intention of the City Mayor to merge small barangays, there will be no doubt that the proposed ordinance will bring positive and good effects. She also cited that some reason are political in nature due to other's ambition to run as Punong Barangay in the coming election on October 2023.
- The Presiding Officer asked Kagawad dela Cruz to specify the questions raised by ABAKA members so it can be resolved.



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- Kagawad dela Cruz shared the concern of some barangay kagawad the possibility to run for another term.
- The Presiding Officer said he will answer that question later in the proceedings.
- Kagawad Josie Cristie of Barangay Molino 3, said that legislations such as ordinance has its advantage and disadvantages. She also cited that big barangays can be managed effectively and efficiently being she comes from one of the biggest barangay in Bacoor with a total population of 85,000.
- Kagawad TJ of Talaba IV raised the concerns of their residents regarding the addresses if the proposed ordinance take effect.
- The Presiding Officer took note of his concern and said to answer it later in the proceedings.
- The Presiding Officer nevertheless answered all the questions raised before. He first answered the question of ABAKA President Kag dela Cruz regarding those who still want to run in the coming election. He explained that displaced Kagawad will be assigned as Focal Persons in the Barangay Based Institutions (BBIs) which will be included in the proposed ordinance and further explaining that the current BBIs is only manned by the Punong Barangays and Barangay Secretaries. Focal Persons will be appointed by the elected Punong Barangay of the merged barangay.
- The Presiding Officer then answered the second question raised regarding home addresses. He said that aside from Passport, other national government issued id contains the home address of the owner. To solve the problem, to be included in the proposed ordinance is the creation of Zones, Purok or Sifios or any other terminologies to be tackled by the City Councilors. He further explained by citing an example of the proposed merging of Barangay Sineguelasan, Banalo, Alima (Sinbanali). The home address will be changed to Zone Sineguelasan, Barangay Sinbanali and so on.
- Barangay Molino IV SK Chairperson Ms. Angie Cariso raised her concern about displaced SK Officials and for those who still want to run in the coming election.
- The Presiding Officer praised the concern raised by the SK Chairperson and acknowledging it as a very good question. He explained that to solve the inevitable problem regarding displacement of barangay officials, the barangay can create positions to accommodate those displaced officials such as Assistant Focal Person, Clerk, IT Personnel and others. He highlighted that those who will not be accommodated by their barangays will be absorbed as an employee of the City as a commitment made by the City Mayor.
- The Presiding Officer further asked for more opinions, comments and suggestions from the resource persons to be included in the proposed ordinance.
- The Presiding Officer asked the member of the Honorable Council for their questions and comments regarding the manifestations made by the resource persons.
- Councilor Alejandro Gutierrez asked the resource person if they are willing to support the proposed ordinance.
- The resource persons unanimously agreed and support the proposed ordinance.



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- Councilor Rey Fabian manifested his support to the barangay being a former Punong Barangay. He further assured that displaced barangay officials will be accommodated by the the city government as promised by to them by the City Mayor.
- Councilor Victorio Guerrero pleaded to the resource persons to support all the plans and projects of the City Government including this proposed ordinance.
- Councilor Rogelio Nolasco requested all the resource persons present to explain to their constituents the proposed ordinance and the benefits it will give to their respective barangays.
- Councilor Simplicio Domiguez narrated that he being a former Punong Barangay of Molino 1 relayed that his barangay is the smallest in terms of budget in District 2 had problems in creating projects. He further asked the resource persons to support the proposed ordinance for the benefit of their constituents.
- Councilor Levy Tela requested the full support of the resource persons to the proposed ordinance. He explained that barangays with small budget can not do all the services needed by the barangays and with this merging ordinance, merged barangays will have an additional budget for the effective and efficient delivery of barangay service to their constituents.
- The Presiding Officer gave his gratitude to the manifestations made by the City Councilor and to the resource persons present.
- There being no matters to be discussed, City Councilor Hon. Alejandro Gutierrez moved for the suspension of the hearing.
- Hearing no objection, the Presiding Officer declared that the hearing is suspended.
- The committee hearing ended at exactly 4:20 p.m.

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Hon. Reynaldo Fabian	1/18/23	09084128498	
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Hon. Ramon Bautista	1/18/23	09915267312	
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A continuing committee hearing on the above-mentioned subject was conducted on January 26, 2023 at the Session Hall of the Sangguniang Panlungsod with the members of the Honorable Committee and the resource persons.

- The Presiding Officer read the above-subject matter and the committee hearing was called to order at exactly 11:25 a.m.
- The committee hearing with the Comelec officials was presided by City Councilor Hon. Reynaldo C. Palabrica.
- The Presiding Officer proceeded with the introduction of the City Councilors present.
- The Presiding Officer asked the Comelec representative Atty. Justine dela Cruz her comments regarding the proposed merging ordinance. He further explained that from the present seventy-three (73) barangays, it will be narrowed down to 53 to 54 barangays once the proposed ordinance take effect. He asked for the implications it will bring to the Comelec in the first place.
- Atty. dela Cruz said that it will obviously decrease the numbers of barangays and adjustments on their records will follow. Polling precincts will also be updated and polling centers will also be relocated she added.
- Atty. dela Cruz raised a query on the merging of Barangay Sinaguelasan, Banalo, Alima and Daang Bukid and the merging of Tabing Dagat, Campo Santo and Digman.
- The Presiding Officer with the kind indulgence of Atty. dela Cruz interrupted her and informed the latter that the merging of those barangays will not be followed anymore. He further explained that during the course of hearing the proposed ordinance, changes were made. He also made sure that the three barangays, Sinaguelasan, Banalo and Alima (SINBANALI) are to be merged and being used as an example to the previous committee hearings.



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- Atty. dela Cruz narrated that Barangay Camposanto is very far from Barangay Sineguelasan, Banalo and Alima.
- The Presiding Officer informed Atty. dela Cruz that Camposanto is not included in the merging of Barangay Sineguelasan, Banalo and Alima. He further explained that Barangay Camposanto is to be merged with Barangay Tabing Dagat and Barangay Daang Bukid and to be renamed as Barangay Poblacion once merged.
- The Presiding Officer asked the Comelec representative if they also have a proposal in the merging of barangays and the Honorabel Committee will take note of it.
- Atty. dela Cruz clarified that what she was manifesting are the effects to their office including the revision of the polling centers, POP (project of precincts).
- The Presiding Officer manifested to include the changes in the names of merged barangays like Sineguelasan, Banalo and Alima to be more likely called BARANGAY SINBANALI.
- The Presiding Officer said that to avoid confusion in the home addresses for deliveries coming from Lazada, Shopee and others, the proposed merging ordinance will also create zones in the merged barangays to retain the original name of the barangay. He cited as an example home address, Barangay Sinbanali, Zone Sineguelasan, Zone Banalo, Zone Alima.
- Atty. dela Cruz manifested that she will coordinate with the main office regarding their voter's registration records since a plebiscite is to happen once the proposed ordinance take effect.
- The Presiding Officer asked the time frame needed by the office of the Comelec to update all the records of the voting population of the affected barangays to be merged.
- Atty. dela Cruz was uncertain to answer to question raised by the Presiding Officer since the city will be initially doing the merging of barangays, unlike the Cityhood of Bacoor where they did not encounter any problems.
- Atty. dela Cruz said that coordination with the process of plebiscite is being done by them and the Comelec will issue a memorandum regarding the registration records of the voters once the proposed ordinance take effect.
- The Presiding Officer narrated that it was requested by the City Mayor to as much as possible include the merged barangays in the coming election by October. He further asked the Comelec representative if it is possible to happen.
- Atty. dela Cruz said that there is no POP (project of precincts) yet in the barangays.
- Atty. dela Cruz narrated that she already called the office handling the plebiscite. She said that the office needs the copy of the ordinance approved by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan and will be endorsed to the office of ODELO who handles the plebiscite wherein the same office will do the budgeting in regards to honorarium, supplies, accommodation and travel allowances of the commissioner and the chairman.
- Atty. dela Cruz said that according to the Local Government Code, after 120 days after the approval of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan on the proposed ordinance,



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the City can conduct a plebiscite. She further said that it can still be for merged barangays to be included in the coming October barangay elections.

- The Presiding Officer raised another problem in the proposed merging ordinance and that is the transfer of barangay funds from the DBM.
- Atty. dela Cruz mentioned that the old records (project of precincts) of the voting population will be used in the plebiscite. She added that only those affected barangays will participate in the plebiscite.
- The Presiding Officer agreed with the manifestation of Atty. dela Cruz and further mentioned that their worries arise in the succeeding National and Local election to happen in the year 2025.
- The Presiding Officer manifested a constant communication with the office of the Comelec regarding the development of the proposed ordinance.
- The Presiding Officer gave his gratitude to the representatives of Comelec and to the clarifications and answer to their queries regarding the proposed merging ordinance.
- The Presiding Officer asked for a motion for the adjournment of the hearing.
- There being no matters to be discussed, City Councilor Hon. Rogelio Nolasco moved for the adjournment of the hearing.
- Hearing no objection, the Presiding Officer declared that the hearing is adjourned.
- The committee hearing ended at exactly 11:55 a.m.

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Hon. Mac Raven Espiritu	1/24/23		<i>[Signature]</i>
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WHEREAS, Section 6, Chapter II of Republic Act No. 7160 (the "Local Government Code of 1991") provides that "a local government unit may be created, divided, merged, abolished, or its boundaries substantially altered either by law enacted by Congress in the case of a province, city, municipality, or any other political subdivision, or by ordinance passed by the *sangguniang panlalawigan* or *sangguniang panlungsod* concerned in the case of a barangay located within its territorial jurisdiction, subject to such limitations and requirements prescribed in this Code" (Emphasis supplied)

WHEREAS, Section 10 of Republic Act No. 10160 (the "Charter of the City of Bacoor") as amended by Republic Act No. 11274 provides that for "purposes of representation in the *sangguniang panlungsod*, six (6) regular members shall be elected from each of the following districts by barangay, each district comprising a compact, contiguous and adjacent territory

Bacoor West – Alima, Aniban I, Aniban II, Aniban III, Aniban IV, Aniban V, Banalo, Camposanto, Daang Bukid, Digman, Gulong Bayan, Habay I, Habay II, Kangin, Ligas I, Ligas II, Ligas III, Mabolo I, Mabolo II, Mabolo III, Maliksi I, Maliksi II, Maliksi III, Niog I, Niog II, Niog III, P.F. Espiritu I, P.F. Espiritu II, P.F. Espiritu III, P.F. Espiritu IV, P.F. Espiritu V, P.F. Espiritu VI, P.F. Espiritu VII, P.F. Espiritu VIII, Real I, Real II, Salinas I, Salinas II, Salinas III, Salinas IV, San Nicolas I, San Nicolas II, San Nicolas III, Sineguelasan, Tabing Dagat, Talaba I, Talaba II, Talaba III, Talaba IV, Talaba V, Talaba VI, Talaba VII, Zapote I, Zapote II, Zapote III, Zapote IV, and Zapote V.

Bacoor East – Bayanan, Mambog I, Mambog II, Mambog III, Mambog IV, Mambog V, Molino I, Molino II, Molino III, Molino IV, Molino V, Molino VI, Molino VII, Queens Row Central, Queens Row East and Queens Row West.

WHEREAS, Section 7 of RA 7160 provides that "as a general rule, the creation of a local government unit or its conversion from one level to another level shall be based on verifiable indicators of viability and projected capacity to provide services, to wit:

(a) **Income** – It must be sufficient, based on acceptable standards, to provide for all essential government facilities and services and special functions commensurate with the size of its population, as expected of the local government unit concerned.

(b) **Population** – It shall be determined as the total number of inhabitants within the territorial jurisdiction of the local government unit concerned, and

(c) **Land Area** – It must be contiguous, unless it comprises two (2) or more islands or is separated by a local government unit independent of the others; properly identified by metes and bounds with technical descriptions; and sufficient to provide for such basic services and facilities to meet the requirements of its populace.

Compliance with the foregoing indicators shall be attested to by the Department of Finance (DOF), the National Statistics Office (NSO), and the Lands Management Bureau (LMB) of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)."



WHEREAS, Section 8 of RA 7160 provides that the "division and merger of existing local government units shall comply with the same requirements herein prescribed for their creation: Provided, however, That such division shall not reduce the income, population, or land area of the local government unit or units concerned to less than the minimum requirements prescribed in this Code: Provided, further, That the income classification of the original local government unit or units shall not fall below its current income classification prior to such division: xxx"

WHEREAS, Section 10 of RA 7160 provides that "no creation, division, merger, abolition, or substantial alteration of boundaries of local government units shall take effect unless approved by a majority of the votes cast in a plebiscite called for the purpose in the political unit or units directly affected. Said plebiscite shall be conducted by the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) **within one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of effectivity of the law or ordinance effecting such action, unless said law or ordinance fixes another date.**" (Emphasis supplied)

WHEREAS, Section 13 (c) (1) of RA 7160 provides that the sanggunians of component cities and municipalities may, in consultation with the Philippine Historical Commission, change the name of city barangays, upon the recommendation of the sangguniang barangay concerned.

WHEREAS, on 10 October 2022, Joint Executive Order No. 58 was signed by the City Mayor, Hon. Strike B. Revilla, and by the City Vice Mayor, Hon. Rowena Bautista-Mendiola, for the purpose of formulating plans for the future development of various barangays in the City of Bacoor

WHEREAS, various data collected by the Office of the City Mayor and by the Sangguniang Panglungsod pursuant to JEO No. 58 revealed that the following barangays are not generating enough annual revenues sufficient to independently finance its day-to-day operations vis-a-vis the needs of its residents: (1) Alma, (2) Aniban I, (3) Aniban II, (4) Aniban III, (5) Aniban IV, (6) Aniban V, (7) Banalo, (8) Camposanto, (9) Daang Bukid, (10) Digmaan, (11) Dulong Bayan, (12) Kaingin, (13) Mabolo I, (14) Mabolo II, (15) Mabolo III, (16) Maliksi I, (17) Maliksi II, (18) Maliksi III, (19) Salinas I, (20) Salinas II, (21) Salinas III, (22) Salinas IV, (23) Sineguelasan, (24) Tabing Dagat, (25) Talaba I, (26) Talaba II, (27) Talaba III, (28) Talaba IV, (29) Talaba V, (30) Talaba VI, (31) Talaba VII, (32) Zapote I, (33) Zapote II, (34) Zapote III, (35) Zapote IV, (36) Zapote V, (37) Mambog II, (38) Mambog V, (39) Queens Row Central, (40) Queens Row East and (41) Queens Row West. Attached as **Annex "1"** is the certification issued by the Department of Finance with regards the annual income of the said barangays as of December 2021.

WHEREAS, a special task force formed by the City Mayor and the City Vice Mayor comprised of various department heads of the Bacoor City Government and by members of the Sangguniang Panglungsod pursuant to Joint Executive Order No. __ dated __ October 2022 for the purpose of analyzing the various data collected pursuant to JEO No. 58 recommended that the following barangays should be merged: Alma, Aniban I, Aniban II, Aniban III, Aniban IV, Aniban V, Banalo, Camposanto, Daang Bukid, Digmaan, Dulong Bayan, Kaingin, Mabolo I, Mabolo II, Mabolo III, Maliksi I, Maliksi II, Maliksi III, Salinas I, Salinas II, Salinas III, Salinas IV, Sineguelasan, Tabing Dagat, Talaba I, Talaba II, Talaba III, Talaba IV, Talaba V, Talaba VI, Talaba VII, Zapote I, Zapote II, Zapote III, Zapote IV, Zapote V, Mambog II, Mambog V, Queens Row Central, Queens Row East and Queens Row West. Attached as **Annex "2"** is a copy of the report and recommendation of the said task force

WHEREAS, the table below was made based on data collected by the Bacoor City Government and shows the annual income, population, and land area of the following barangays as certified by the Department of Finance, the Philippine Statistics Authority (created by Republic Act No. 10625, replacing the National Statistics Office), and by the Land Management Bureau

Name of Barangay	Income	Land Area	Population (as of 2020)
1) Alma	P8,210,544.00		
2) Aniban I	5,763,193.00		3,341
3) Aniban II	5,727,470.00		3,278



4) Aniban III	3,142,937.00	837
5) Aniban IV	4,169,481.00	1,902
6) Aniban V	5,149,086.00	2,714
7) Banalo	5,068,879.00	
8) Camposanto	3,654,208.00	
9) Daang Bukid	5,169,490.00	
10) Digman	4,360,590.00	
11) Dulong Bayan	9,348,316.00	
12) Kaingin	5,932,197.00	
13) Mabolo I	3,719,575.00	1,430
14) Mabolo II	3,655,214.00	1,306
15) Mabolo III	4,833,701.00	2,335
16) Maliksi I	7,818,720.00	5,273
17) Maliksi II	5,193,983.00	2,781
18) Maliksi III	8,679,209.00	6,117
19) Salinas I	23,035,631.00	19,658
20) Salinas II	8,254,510.00	5,777
21) Salinas III	4,469,133.00	1,813
22) Salinas IV	3,722,467.00	1,335
23) Sineguelasan	7,970,921.00	
24) Tabing Dagat	5,864,782.00	
25) Talaba I	4,283,776.00	1,851
26) Talaba II	17,562,952.00	14,623
27) Talaba III	4,484,951.00	2,202
28) Talaba IV	5,502,601.00	3,096
29) Talaba V	4,095,533.00	1,776
30) Talaba VI	5,011,812.00	2,592
31) Talaba VII	4,801,577.00	2,309
32) Zapote I	8,361,493.00	5,846
33) Zapote II	7,711,840.00	5,137
34) Zapote III	4,783,452.00	2,277
35) Zapote IV	4,472,552.00	2,054
36) Zapote V	22,321,242.00	19,117
37) Mambog II	10,244,961.00	7,129
38) Mambog V	6,870,421.00	3,832
39) Queens Row Central	9,341,388.00	6,098
40) Queens Row East	22,621,947.00	18,370
41) Queens Row West	14,001,456.00	10,160

Attached as Annexes "3" and "4" are copies of the certifications issued by the Philippines Statistics Authority and by the Land Management Bureau, respectively, with regard the population (as of 2020) and land area of the said barangays.

WHEREAS, if the said barangays will be merged, the respective incomes, population, and land area of the merged barangays will significantly grow as shown in the table below:

Merged Barangays	Merged Income	Merged Land Area	Merged Population
Sineguelasan, Banalo, Alma, and Daang Bukid	26,419,834.00		
Tabing Dagat, Camposanto, Digman, and Kaingin	19,811,777.00		
Mabolo I, Mabolo II, Mabolo III, and Dulong Bayan	21,556,806.00		
Salinas I, II, III, and IV	39,481,741.00		28,583



Makisig I, II, and III	21,691,912.00		14,171
Zapote I, II, III, IV, and V	47,650,579.00		34,431
Talaba I, II, III, IV, V, VI, and VII	45,743,202.00		26,116
Aniban I, II, III, IV, and V	23,952,167.00		12,072
Mambog II and Mambog V	17,115,382.00		10,961
Queens Row West, Queens Row East, and Queens Row Central	45,964,791.00		34,628

WHEREAS, the exponential growth in the income, population, and land area of the merged barangays will result in the following advantages for the residents of the said barangays:

- a) Increased share of the merged barangays in the National Tax Allocation that can be used in the launching of more development projects;
- b) Reduction in red tape related to various permits being issued by the said barangays prior to their merger;
- c) Promotion of peace and order because the barangay tanods of the said barangays prior to their merger can now work together; and
- d) Reduction in the cost of local governance because, instead of maintaining several barangay halls, the Bacoor City Government will only have to help maintain just one for each merged barangay.

WHEREAS, all of the barangays mentioned above were consulted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod and issued separate resolutions approving the proposed merger and renaming of their barangays.

NOW THEREFORE, be it **ORDAINED** by the 5th Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor THAT

Section 1. Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the "**Barangay Merger and Reorganization Ordinance of the City of Bacoor**"

Section 2. Merger. The following barangays are hereby merged and shall be renamed as

Merged Barangays	New Barangay Name/s
	Barangay _____
	Barangay _____
	Barangay _____
	Barangay _____
	Barangay _____
	Barangay _____
	Barangay _____
	Barangay _____
	Barangay _____
	Barangay _____



Section 3. Continuation of Terms. Incumbent Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan officials and personnel affected by the merger of the above-mentioned local government units shall serve out their respective terms until the next barangay elections.

Section 4. Hiring as Consultants. Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan officials and personnel who shall be affected by this ordinance shall be hired as consultants by the City Mayor and shall be tasked to implement the various ordinances, projects, and programs of the Bacoor City Government pursuant to relevant government regulations and the availability of funds. The Human Resources Development and Management Department (HRDMD) is hereby empowered and directed to assist the City Mayor in the implementation of this provision.

Section 5. Assets and Barangay Hall. The physical assets of the merged barangays such as but not limited to buildings, vehicles, office equipment and supplies, and furniture shall become part of the physical assets of the new barangay pursuant to relevant government regulations. The General Services Officer and the City Accountant of the Bacoor City Government are hereby empowered and directed to assist the affected barangays in the implementation of this provision. After the October 2023 barangay elections, the officials of the newly created barangays shall determine the location of their barangay hall.

Section 6. Income. The income of the merged barangays shall be transferred to the new barangays mentioned in Section 2 hereof pursuant to relevant government regulations. The City Budget Officer, the City Treasurer and the City Accountant of the Bacoor City Government are hereby empowered and directed to assist the affected barangays in the implementation of this provision.

Section 7. Barangay Boundaries. As a result of the merger mentioned above, the metes and bounds of the territorial jurisdiction of the new barangays created under Section 2 hereof shall be as follows:

New Barangay	Technical Description
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The new territorial boundaries of the new barangays of the City of Bacoor, Cavite as shown in the maps prepared by the Zoning and Land Development Department of the Bacoor City Government attached hereto as **Annexes 5 to 14** and made integral parts hereof are hereby approved.

Section 8. Appropriation of Funds. The amount of _____ Million Pesos (Php _____00) to be taken from the available funds of the Office of the City Mayor is hereby appropriated to fund the holding of a plebiscite for the ratification of this Ordinance as mandated by law.

Section 9. Coordination with the COMELEC. The City Administrator and the Sangguniang Panlungsod Secretary are hereby directed to coordinate with the Commission on Elections with regard the holding of a plebiscite for the ratification of this Ordinance as mandated by law.

Section 10. Plebiscite. This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval by a majority of the votes cast in a plebiscite called for the purpose in the aforementioned barangays. Said plebiscite shall be conducted by the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) within sixty (60) days from the date of effectivity of this ordinance.

Section 11. Effectivity. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately after five (5) days from the date a copy thereof is posted on the bulletin board at the entrance of the City Hall of Bacoor and of all barangay halls in the City of Bacoor not later than five (5) days after approval thereof.



UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED this ___ day of _____ 2023 at the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

I hereby certify that this Ordinance was duly approved by the 5th Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor, Cavite on the date mentioned above.

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: _____

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