



COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, LAND UTILIZATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE ON RULES, PRIVILEGES, LAWS AND ORDINANCES

JOINT COMMITTEE REPORT

NO. HLUUD-046-S-2026

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Subject: *AN ORDINANCE REVISING SECTIONS 5, 6, AND 7 OF CITY ORDINANCE NO. 480-2025 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "STANDARDIZED BUILDING PLANS ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BACOOR". (PCO 2026-084 dated March 9, 2026).*

This committee report pertains to the committee hearing conducted on April 23, 2026 relative to the above-stated subject matter. The hearing was presided over by the Chairperson of the Committee on Housing, Land Utilization and Urban Development, Hon. Horacio M. Brillantes Jr. and was held at the MSBR Conference Room situated on the 4th Floor of the BLDR Building, Bacoor Government Center, Barangay Bayanan, Bacoor City, Cavite. The minutes, attendance sheets, and pictures taken during the said hearing are attached hereto and shall be made integral parts of this report.

FINDINGS:

After careful deliberation and consultation with the concerned offices, resource persons, and members of the Committee, the following were established:

- The proposed amendments primarily seek to revise the provisions concerning penalties for city employees who may violate the ordinance. The Committee found that replacing the previous automatic termination and perpetual disqualification provisions with criminal and administrative liability ensures compliance with due process requirements while maintaining accountability among public employees.
- It was clarified that licensed engineers, architects, and master plumbers preparing, signing, and sealing the standardized building plans for qualified beneficiaries are authorized to collect professional fees directly from clients, provided such fees do not exceed P2,000.00. This provision aims to compensate professionals for their services while keeping the cost affordable for beneficiaries.



- During the hearing, concerns were raised regarding possible conflict between the paragraph prohibiting city employees from receiving fees and the provision allowing direct professional compensation. The Committee found merit in the recommendation to revise the wording of Section 6, specifically the second paragraph, to clearly indicate that the prohibition applies only to fees exceeding the authorized limit, thereby preventing legal ambiguity and safeguarding city employees.
- The Committee recognized the need for clear implementing procedures to monitor fee collection and ensure compliance with the prescribed limit. Such matters are best addressed in the formulation of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR).

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the foregoing findings, the Committee hereby recommends:

1. **Approval** of the proposed ordinance revising Sections 5, 6, and 7 of City Ordinance No. 480-2025, as the amendments will improve the ordinance's clarity, legality, and practical implementation; and
2. Incorporation of the recommended revisions to Section 6, particularly to clearly define the allowable professional fee structure and remove possible inconsistencies in its wording such that it will read as follows:

"Section 6. Standardized Building Plans Fee; Penalty. Once the homeowner/beneficiary approves the building plan, the same shall be signed and sealed by the licensed architects, engineers, and master plumbers who made the said plans for a fee not exceeding P2,000.00. The said fee may be paid directly to the professional/s who designed/revised the said plans. The collection of any fee in excess of the said amount shall be deemed a violation of this Ordinance.

Any employee of the City Government who receives, accepts, asks for, or requests any fee, gift or any other consideration from the homeowner/beneficiary in excess of P2,000.00 shall be deemed to have violated this Ordinance and shall be held criminally and



administratively liable pursuant to pertinent laws and civil service rules."

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

Signed this 30th day of April 2026 at the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

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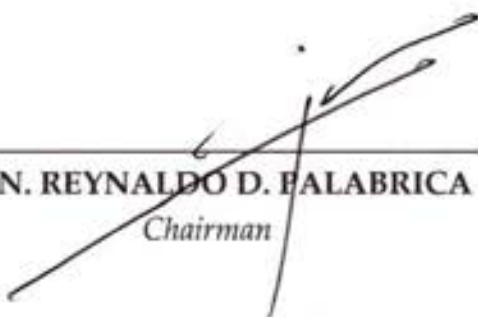
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