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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS, APPOINTMENTS AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION
COMMITTEE ON BARANGAY AFFAIRS

JOINT COMMITTEE HEARING REPORT
NO. EAGR-049-S-2026

Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod
Received by: Janet P. Puga
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Subject: **LETTER OF ENDORSEMENT FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE REGARDING THE TESTIMONY OF BARANGAY KAGAWAD BERNARDINO JIMENEZ OF BARANGAY SALINAS 1 ON THE TURN OVER OF FOUR (4) VEHICLES PARKED AT THE JIMENEZ COMPOUND, BUKID, SALINAS 1, BACOR CITY, CAVITE TO THE BARANGAY HALL OF SALINAS 1. (PCR 509-2026 dated 06 July 2026).**

The above-captioned subject matter was referred to these committees by the Presiding Officer during the 50th Regular Session of the 6th Sangguniang Panlungsod on July 06, 2026 for investigation, inquiry and appropriate action. After due notice, the Committee conducted two (2) committee hearings on July 23 and September 03, 2026 to determine the facts surrounding the turnover, custody, and disposition of the four (4) government vehicles mentioned in the endorsement.

During the hearing, the incumbent Punong Barangay of Barangay Salinas I, Hon. Nicanor "Boyet" Espiritu, testified that upon assuming office on 01 January 2024, he received the Final Inventory and Turnover of Barangay Properties, Financial Records, Documents, and Money Accountabilities of Barangay Salinas I as of 17 November 2023. The inventory included four (4) barangay vehicles, namely: a multicab (Jonvic), multicab (Lani), Anfra (SEW-907), and Patrol Jeep (ZFC-566).

PB Espiritu further testified that the said four (4) vehicles were indicated in the inventory as being parked at the compound of Barangay Kagawad Bernardino Jimenez located at Bukid, Salinas I, Bacoor City, Cavite. He stated that he subsequently approached Kagawad Jimenez regarding the vehicles and requested that they be returned to the barangay. According to his testimony, Kagawad Jimenez acknowledged that the four (4) vehicles had been kept at his compound.

The Punong Barangay further testified that, during a subsequent inquiry, it was represented to him that only three (3) of the four (4) vehicles remained at the compound, leaving the whereabouts of one (1) vehicle unexplained. He likewise manifested that the vehicles had been in poor or junk condition and that he sought assistance from the appropriate authorities to determine what happened to the missing vehicle.

During the deliberation, the Committee also inquired whether there was any written authority, memorandum, or other document authorizing the storage of the



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barangay vehicles at the compound of Kagawad Jimenez. The testimony indicated that the matter was subject to further clarification and verification, particularly in relation to the documents covering the turnover, custody, and subsequent disposition or whereabouts of the vehicles.

FINDINGS:

- The Committee conducted a hearing and received the testimony of Barangay Kagawad Bernardino Jimenez regarding the turnover and custody of four (4) government vehicles previously parked at the Jimenez Compound, Barangay Salinas I, Bacoor City.
- During the hearing, Barangay Kagawad Jimenez testified that the subject vehicles were merely parked at the Jimenez Compound upon the request of the then Barangay Officials because of the lack of available storage space at the Barangay Hall, and that the compound is privately owned by his family.
- The Committee noted that Barangay Kagawad Jimenez stated that the vehicles were subsequently turned over to the custody of the Barangay pursuant to the instructions of the incumbent Punong Barangay, and that he no longer exercised possession or control over the vehicles thereafter.
- The Committee further noted that Barangay Kagawad Jimenez denied having sold, disposed of, or benefited from the subject vehicles and maintained that he merely witnessed some of the vehicles being dismantled by unknown persons allegedly connected with a junk shop after their turnover.
- The Committee noted that no documentary evidence was presented establishing that Barangay Kagawad Jimenez was designated as the accountable officer or property custodian of the subject vehicles after their turnover to the Barangay.
- The Committee likewise noted that the Final Inventory and Turnover of Barangay Properties, Financial Records, Documents, and Money Accountabilities of Barangay Salinas I as of 17 November 2023 identified four (4) barangay vehicles as part of the Barangay's properties.
- The Committee noted the testimony of PB Espiritu that the four (4) vehicles were listed in the inventory as being parked at the compound of Barangay Kagawad Bernardino Jimenez in Bukid, Salinas I, Bacoor City, Cavite.
- The Committee further noted that, based on the testimony presented during the hearing, Kagawad Jimenez acknowledged that the four (4) vehicles had been kept at his compound, while it was subsequently represented that only three (3) vehicles remained therein.



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- The Committee observed that the whereabouts and disposition of the fourth vehicle remain subject to verification and clarification, including the circumstances surrounding its removal, transfer, disposal, or loss, if any.
- The Committee emphasized that accountability for government property must be determined in accordance with existing laws, Commission on Audit (COA) rules and regulations, and other applicable issuances governing the custody, disposal, and accountability of government-owned properties.

RECOMMENDATION

In view thereof, the Committee recommends that the aforementioned subject matter be **NOTED**, since it does not constitute as a complaint but a mere clarification on the whereabouts and subsequent turnover and custody of the subject vehicles to the Barangay Hall of Salinas 1, Bacoor City, Cavite and to remove the said subject matter on the Council's next Order of Business.

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

Signed this 7th day of September, 2026 at the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

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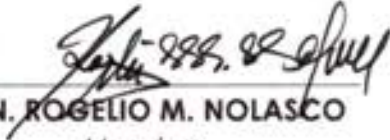


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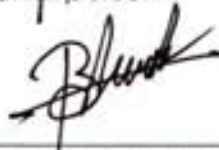


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