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EXECUTIVE ORDER

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 173 - 2024 Series of 2024

"AN ORDER ADOPTING THE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF CITY ORDINANCE NO. 2013-051 SERIES OF 2013, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ANTI-DANGLING WIRE ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BACOOR,"

WHEREAS, Section 16 of R.A. No. 7160 provides that every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare including the promotion of safety of its constituents and provision of adequate transportation facilities;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod enacted and passed City Ordinance No. 2013-051 Series of 2013, entitled "An Ordinance Regulating the Installation and Maintenance of Distribution Lines of Various Public Utilities in the Municipality of Baccor";

WHEREAS, the City Government of Bacoor recognizes the need to issue an Implementing Rules and Regulations pertinent to the above-mentioned Ordinance;

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Mayor of Baccor, in coordination with the concerned city government offices, issued the above-mentioned Implementing Rules and Regulations that shall govern the City Ordinance No. 2013-051 Series of 2013;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STRIKE B. REVILLA. City Mayor of Bacoor, Cavite, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order for the adoption and implementation of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of City Ordinance No. 2013– 051 Series of 2013 herein attached.

Section 1. Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR). Attached herein is the Implementing Rules and Regulations of City Ordinance No. 2013-051 Series of 2013, which shall form part of this Executive Order. This shall be known as the "The Implementing Rules and Regulations of City Ordinance No. 2013-051 Series of 2013". All affected offices and departments are hereby ordered to adopt the said implementing rules and regulations and be guided accordingly. Strict compliance and observance of all city government officials and employees to this IRR is hereby ordered.

Section 2. Repealing Clause. All previously issued orders and directives inconsistent with any provision found herein shall be deemed repealed, revoked, or amended accordingly.



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Section 3. Separability Clause. In the event that any provision found herein shall be judicially or administratively declared illegal or infirm, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. Effectivity Clause. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its signing and remain in full force and effect until repealed, revoked, or amended accordingly.

SO ORDERED.

DONE this 2nd day of December 2024 in the City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite.

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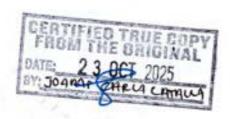




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THE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF CITY ORDINANCE NO. 2013-051 SERIES OF 2013

OR

"AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF DISTRIBUTION LINES OF VARIOUS PUBLIC UTILITIES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BACOOR"

Rule I GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. Title, – This shall be the Implementing Rules and Regulations ("IRR") of City of Bacoor Ordinance No. 2013-051, Series of 2013, entitled the "Anti-Dangling Wire Ordinance of the City of Bacoor," also known as the "Ordinance." Henceforth, the IRR shall be referred to as the "Rules."

Section 2. Purpose. – This IRR is promulgated to prescribe the procedure and guidelines for the effective implementation of City Ordinance No. 2013-051, Series of 2013. The Anti-Dangling Wire Ordinance of the City of Bacoor aims to regulate the construction, installation, and maintenance of various public utility distribution lines, including electric poles and wires, as well as cables for television and telecommunications. The primary purpose of the Ordinance and this IRR is to ensure public safety by preventing hazards such as electrocution, fires, and other potential dangers caused by dangling or improperly maintained wires.

Section 3. Scope and Application. – This IRR covers the following scope and application:

- Scope. The Ordinance and this IRR regulate the construction, installation, and maintenance of electric poles and wires, as well as cables for television and telecommunications within the territorial jurisdiction of Baccor.
- Application. It applies to all public utility distribution lines, including those
 for electricity, television, and telecommunications. This includes ensuring
 that these infrastructures are properly maintained to prevent hazards such
 as electrocution, fires, and other dangers caused by dangling or improperly
 maintained wires.

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Section 4. Implementing Offices. The Office of the City Engineering Office, with the assistance of the City Building Official and the Office of the City Legal Services, shall assume primary responsibility for enforcing the aforementioned City Ordinance and this IRR. Other city government departments, units, or offices may be called upon by the directive of the City Mayor to provide auxiliary support in the effective implementation of both the Ordinance and this IRR.

Section 5. Rules of Construction. In construing the provisions of this IRR, the following rules of construction shall be observed unless inconsistent with the manifest intent of the provision, or when applied, they would lead to absurd or highly improbable results.

- General Interpretation. All words and phrases used in this IRR should be understood according to their usual meaning, but technical terms or those with specific meanings in this IRR should be interpreted accordingly.
- Gender and Number. Words indicating gender or number should be interpreted inclusively, acknowledging all gender identities and expressions and all numerical interpretations.
- Calculation of Time. When determining timeframes for actions as outlined in this IRR or related regulations, the first day is excluded, and the last day is included unless it falls on a Sunday or a holiday, in which case the following business day is considered the final day.
- References. Any mention of chapters, articles, or sections refers to those within this IRR unless otherwise specified.
- Resolution of Conflicts. In the event of conflicting provisions within different sections, each section's specific details should prevail.

Rule II DECLARATION OF POLICY AND DEFINITIONS

Section 6. Declaration of Policy. – It is the policy of the City Government of Baccor to adopt measures to ensure public safety against live wires and similar hazards to life and property and to regulate the placing, stringing, attaching, installing, repairing, and construction of all-electric, telegraph, and telephonic wires, conduits, meters, and other apparatus, and provide for the correction, condemnation, or removal of the same when found to be dangerous, defective, or otherwise hazardous to the welfare of the public.

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Section 7. Definition of Terms. – As used in the Ordinance and this IRR, the following terms and phrases shall be understood and defined as follows:

- Approved Pole Location Plan A detailed plan designed to regulate the erection and maintenance of poles, towers, distribution lines, and other equipment of various public utility companies and private individuals.
- Electric Utility Refer to the Manila Electric Corporation, also known as "MERALCO", or any other electric energy provider.
- 3. NAPOCOR Refers to the National Power Corporation.
- 4. Revised Philippine Electrical Code (PEC 1 @ 1) The updated edition of the electrical code as formulated by the Institute of Integrated Electrical Engineers of the Philippines and approved by the Department of Public Works and Highways as the basis for regulation of all electrical installations in the Philippines.
- Sag The difference in elevation between the highest point of support of the conductor and the lowest point of the conductor in the span.
- Service The conductors and equipment for delivering energy from the electricity supply system to the wiring system of the premises being supplied with electricity.
- Service Conductors The supply conductors that extend from the street main or from the transformers to the service equipment of the premises being supplied with electricity.
- Service Entrance The portion of the electrical system from the service drip wire to the service equipment of the premises being supplied with electricity.
- Service Drop The overhead service conductors from the last pole or other aerial support to and including the splices, if any, connecting to the service entrance conductors at the building or other structure.
- 10. Service Lateral The underground service conductors between the street main, including any rises at a pole or other structure or from transformers, and the first point of connection to the service entrance conductors in a terminal box or meter or other enclosures with adequate space, inside or outside the building wall. Where there is no terminal box, meter, or other enclosure with adequate space, the point of connection shall be considered to be the point of entrance of the service conductors into the building.
- Utilities All public utilities operating within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Bacoor, such as, but not limited to, the NAPOCOR, the MERALCO.

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electric cooperatives, telephone/telecommunications companies, cable television companies, and the like.

Rule III IMPLEMENTING PROVISIONS

Section 8. Primary Responsibility. – The "Approved Pole Location Plan" is an important component of the Anti-Dangling Wire Ordinance in Bacoor and this IRR. This plan, developed by the Office of the Building Official and the City Engineering Office, serves as the foundation for regulating the construction and installation of distribution lines within the city. It ensures that all utility poles and wires are strategically and safely placed. Additionally, the plan must comply with all relevant laws, ensuring that it aligns with national and local regulations. This helps maintain safety standards and prevent hazards associated with improperly placed or maintained utility infrastructure.

The Office of the Building Official and the City Engineering Office are required to collaborate in designing the Approved Pole Location Plan. This plan must be submitted to the Sangguniang Panlungsod for approval within ninety (90) days from the date when the Ordinance and this IRR take effect. The collaborative effort ensures that the plan is comprehensive and adheres to all relevant laws and regulations, promoting safety and proper management of utility infrastructure in the city.

The Ordinance mandates that the Sangguniang Panlungsod must consult with representatives from the public utility companies before approving the Approved Pole Location Plan to ensure that the concerns and insights of the stakeholders are considered, promoting a collaborative approach to the safe and efficient placement of utility poles and wires.

Section 9. The Approved Location Plan. – The Approved Pole Location Plan shall contain the following details:

- The exact location and/or relocation site of electric/telephone/telecommunications poles and towers;
- 2. Pole/Tower type;
- 3. Allowed voltage of distribution lines:
- Clearances;
- 5. Exact traverse point of conductors and drop wires;

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Other details may be necessary for the effective implementation of the Ordinance and this IRR.

Section 10. Prior Clearances. – The Ordinance and this IRR explicitly prohibits all public utility companies from engaging in any activities related to the installation, construction, maintenance, or other work on distribution lines within the City of Baccor without first obtaining the necessary permits and clearances from the City Engineering Office and the Baccor Traffic Management Department (BTMD). This requirement ensures that all work is properly regulated and coordinated, enhancing public safety and minimizing disruptions.

The Ordinance and this IRR emphasize the importance of obtaining necessary work permits and clearances for various construction and installation activities. Failure to secure permits such as Electric Wiring Permits, Building Permit, Pole/Cabinet Location Permit, Permit to Install, and Mayor's Permit is considered a violation of the Ordinance and this IRR.

Section 11. Maintenance of Horizontal and Vertical Clearances. – The Philippine Electrical Code I and II set the standards for electrical installations both inside and outside buildings to ensure safety for persons and properties. These codes mandate that electricity service providers maintain horizontal and vertical clearances of distribution lines at all times. In the City of Bacoor, the City Government has the authority to remove any redundant, defective, or improperly located poles without prior notice to the concerned public utility if public safety is at risk. This proactive measure helps prevent potential hazards and ensures the safety of the community.

The City Government of Bacoor, specifically through the City Engineering Office and under the direction of the City Mayor, has the authority to collaborate with electricity service providers to remove any redundant, defective, or improperly located poles. This coordination ensures that such poles are addressed promptly, enhancing public safety and maintaining the city's infrastructure.

Section 12. Installation of Large Utility Equipment. – According to the Ordinance and this IRR, the installation and delivery of transformers, generators, and other large utility equipment are restricted to the hours between 10:00 PM and 5:00 AM. Any activities outside this specified time frame are considered violations of the Ordinance and this IRR.

However, the said period may be extended as the need arises and subject to the written approval of the City Mayor.

Prior installation and/or delivery of the above-mentioned equipment or any other equipment that may clog vehicular traffic or otherwise pose a danger to public safety may only be done once clearances from the City Engineering Office and the Baccor Traffic

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Management Department (BTMD) have been obtained by the public utility company/is concerned. The BTMD is responsible for enforcing the city's traffic code and managing traffic-related programs. The City Engineering Office oversees infrastructure and construction projects to ensure safety and compliance with regulatory standards.

Section 13. Tapping to an Electric Utility. – Any building or structure must receive approval from the Office of the Building Official before being connected to an electrical utility to ensure that all buildings comply with safety and regulatory standards before they are provided with electricity.

Any building or structure owner/s who tapped to an electric utility without the prior approval or clearances from the Office of the Building Official shall be considered accountable in strict violation of the Ordinance and this IRR.

Section 14. Single Service Entrance Policy. – For newly constructed or renovated buildings, only one service entrance for electrical connections is permitted. However, there are exceptions for specific cases, such as:

- 1. Fire pumps. Essential for fire safety systems.
- Legally Required Emergency Standby Power. Necessary for critical systems during power outages.
- Parallel Power Production. Situations where the building generates its own power and requires a separate service.

These exceptions ensure that critical safety and operational systems have dedicated and reliable power sources.

Additional electrical service entrances under specific conditions may be allowed:

- Capacity Requirement. If the electrical capacity exceeds two thousand (2000) amperes at a supply voltage of six hundred (600) volts or less.
- Building Size. If the total floor area of the building is ten thousand (10,000) square meters or more.
- Lot Dimension. If one dimension of the lot is one hundred (100) meters or more.

These conditions guarantee that larger buildings with higher electrical demands can safely and efficiently manage their power needs.

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Section 15. Maintenance and Installation Space. – All newly constructed or renovated commercial buildings shall have a dedicated space for electrical equipment installation and maintenance. The size of this area must meet the standards set by the Revised Philippine Electric Code, which helps ensure safety and accessibility for maintenance purposes.

Section 16. Height and other Requirement. -

- The minimum height of service support in a building shall be 5.8 meters, measured from the bottom of the bracket or pin insulators to ensure proper clearance and safety for electrical installations.
- The height of a rain-tight service head should be 5.9 meters, measured from the top. This specification ensures that the service head is positioned at a safe and appropriate height for weather protection and electrical safety.
- The height of streetlights should be maintained at 7.5 meters. This standard ensures adequate illumination for public safety and visibility on the streets.
- 4. Ensuring that all electric poles maintain a 90-degree verticality is important for safety and stability. In the event of a deviation caused by a natural disaster or accident, the electric utility company has five (5) days from receiving a written notice from the City Engineering Office to restore the pole to its proper position. Failure to comply within this period is considered a violation of the Ordinance and this IRR.
- The height of electric poles in the City of Bacoor. Province of Cavite, must comply with all relevant laws and regulations to ensure consistency, safety, and adherence to national and local standards.
- Maintaining the sag of electric conductors at 0.30 meters is essential to ensure safety and compliance with legal standards. This helps prevent excessive tension or slack in the conductors, which could lead to potential hazards.
- 7. To ensure public safety and reliability, all electrical installations shall adhere to approved safety standards and superior workmanship. In case of any conflicts in interpreting these safety standards, the City Engineering Office has the authority to resolve the issue after consulting with representatives from the electric utility companies operating within the City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite.
- Electric utility companies must obtain prior approval from the City Engineering Office before erecting any electric poles. This regulation ensures that all installations are properly planned, safe, and compliant with local standards.

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 Ensuring that all distribution lines along primary and secondary roads are relocated according to the Approved Pole Location Plan helps maintain orderly and safe infrastructures. Additionally, other roads within the City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite, may also be included under the Ordinance and this IRR as needed.

Section 17. Illegal Electric Installations. – All existing generator distribution lines are considered illegal and must be removed from the distribution system. This process should follow the Approved Pole Location Plan issued by the City Engineering Office and the Office of the Building Official, and it must be done in consultation with the concerned utility company.

Section 18. Prohibition in the Installation of Portable Generator Sets. –
Installing portable generator sets along established sidewalks and thoroughfares is
prohibited without prior approval from the Office of the City Mayor. This ensures that such
installations do not obstruct pedestrian pathways or create safety hazards.

Section 19. Street Lights. – Ensuring a uniform type of street lights across all roads and thoroughfares in the City of Bacoor helps maintain a cohesive and aesthetically pleasing urban environment. The City Engineering Office is responsible for determining and approving the appearance and design of these street lights. The City Engineering Office may consider several factors, including:

- Aesthetic value;
- Cost-effectiveness;
- 3. Low electric power consumption rate;
- 4. Ease and affordability of maintenance; and
- 5. Impact on the natural environment.

This comprehensive approach ensures that the street lighting system is not only visually appealing but also sustainable and efficient.

Any street light that does not conform to the design approved by the City Engineering Office can be summarily removed. The design must also be approved by the City Mayor and submitted by the City Engineer within ninety (90) days after the effective date of the Ordinance, in line with this IRR.

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Section 20. Prohibition Against Attachment of Promotional Materials in All Distribution Lines and Electric Poles. – Attaching promotional materials like streamers, posters, buntings, billboards, or similar items to distribution lines and electric poles is prohibited without prior approval from the City Engineering Office. This regulation helps maintain the safety and integrity of the electrical infrastructure and ensures that public spaces remain orderly and free from unauthorized advertisements.

Unauthorized promotional materials attached to distribution lines and electric poles in the City of Bacoor can be removed immediately. The cost of this removal will be charged to the person or entity responsible for the illegal installation. This guarantees that those who violate the regulations are held accountable for their actions.

Section 21. Rules on Telecommunications Companies. – All merchants, vendors, business establishments, and local public utility tricycles/pedicabs drivers/operators shall:

- No building in the City of Bacoor can be connected to any telephone utility without prior approval from both the Office of the Building Official and the City Engineering Office. This ensures that all installations meet the necessary standards and regulations.
- All commercial establishments must have a central telephone terminal cabinet with sufficient capacity to supply the required telephone lines for the building. This helps streamline the installation and maintenance of telephone lines, ensuring reliable communication services for businesses.

To place a central telephone cabinet or telecommunications cabinet on sidewalks or thoroughfares within the City of Bacoor, a Mayor's Permit Fee of Two Hundred Pesos (PHP 200.00) per line must be paid. Additionally, prior approval from both the Office of the Building Official and the City Engineering Office is required to ensure proper oversight and management of public spaces and infrastructure.

- No telephone or telecommunications company is allowed to install or rehabilitate telephone lines without obtaining prior written approval from the City Engineering Office. This helps maintain the integrity and safety of the infrastructure and guarantees that all installations comply with local standards and regulations.
- 4. All idle wires from cellphone companies must be removed promptly. The City Engineering Office will provide sufficient notice to the concerned telephone companies to remove these idle wires. In case the companies fail to comply within the given period, the City Engineering Office will remove the wires, and the cost of removal will be charged to the responsible telephone companies.

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5. All traversing telephone drop wires are only allowed at the designated traversing points specified in the Approved Pole Location Plan. In case any traversing drop wires are placed in unauthorized areas, the City Engineering Office will provide sufficient notice to the responsible telephone companies to remove them. In case the companies fail to comply, the City Engineering Office will remove the wires, and the cost of removal will be charged to the responsible companies.

In case the telephone companies fail to remove the illegally placed traversing drop wires within the given period, the City Engineering Office will remove them. The cost of this removal will be charged to the responsible telephone companies. This regulation ensures that all installations comply with the Approved Pole Location Plan and maintain the safety and orderliness of the infrastructure.

- Traversing telephone lines can be installed underground through the boring
 of a hole in the ground. However, this installation requires prior approval
 from the City Engineering Office to ensure that the underground installations
 are done safely and in compliance with local regulations.
- 7. All communication poles that are not part of the Approved Pole Location Plan must be removed. The telephone companies concerned will be given sufficient time to voluntarily remove or relocate these poles. In case they fail to do so within the given period, the City Engineering Office is authorized to remove or tear down the poles, and the cost of removal will be charged to the responsible telephone companies.
- No additional telephone poles can be installed within the jurisdiction of the City of Baccor without paying a Mayor's Permit Fee of One Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (PHP 1,500.00). However, the City Mayor has the discretion to waive this fee in meritorious cases.
- 9. All telephone lines must maintain clearances according to prevailing industry safety standards. In case of any conflicts in interpreting these safety standards, the City Engineering Office has the authority to resolve the issues after consulting with representatives from at least two (2) telephone companies operating within the City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite.
- 10. All telephone lines must maintain a sag of no more than 0.30 meters per span or adhere to the standards set by relevant laws. This regulation is essential to ensure that the lines are properly tensioned and safe, preventing potential hazards and maintaining the integrity of the infrastructure.
- All service drop conductors that run along backbone lines must be bundled with the backbone lines to ensure that the conductors are properly managed and reduce the risk of entanglement or damage.

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- 12. All telephone entrances must be installed at a minimum height of 4.8 meters, measured from the top of the rain-tight service head. This regulation ensures that the installations are safely positioned and comply with the necessary clearance requirements.
- Only one entrance per telephone provided shall be allowed for a building or structure. Provided that no distribution line shall be installed within privately owned lots without the written permission of the property owner.

Section 22. RULES ON COMMUNITY CABLE TELEVISION. – The following shall be observed by all Community Cable Television Company/ies operating within the City of Baccor, Province of Cavite:

- All Community Cable Television (CCTV) supply cables outside buildings in the City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite, must be installed in conduits approved by the Office of the Building Official. This is to ensure safety, durability, and compliance with local building codes.
- No new poles for Community Cable Television (CCTV) can be erected without prior written approval from the City Engineering Office. Additionally, any new poles must adhere to the Approved Pole Location Plan.
- All CCTV distribution cables in the City of Baccor, Province of Cavite, must comply with the legal and industry safety standards. In case of any disagreement on these standards, the City Engineering Office will resolve it after consulting with representatives from at least two (2) CCTC companies operating in the City.
- 4. All CCTV distribution cables in the City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite, must maintain an allowable sag of no more than 0.30 per span or adhere to the standards set by relevant laws. This guarantees the cables are properly tensioned and do not sag excessively, which could pose safety hazards or affect performance.
- 5. All CCTV entrances shall be installed with a minimum height of 4.8 meters.
- Only one entrance per CCTV provider shall be allowed for a building or structure.
- 7. All traversing CCTV drop wires in the City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite, must be installed only at designated traversing points as per the Approved Pole Location Plan. Additionally, no distribution lines can be installed within private lots without the property owner's written permission. In case any traversing telephone drop wires are placed outside the specified areas, they may be removed by the City Engineering Office after giving sufficient notice.

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to the concerned CCTV companies. In case the companies fall to remove the wires within the given period, the City Engineering Office will remove the wires, and the costs will be charged to the companies.

8. All CCTV companies operating within the City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite, are required to maintain a community channel that the City Government of Bacoor can use for free to broadcast emergency warnings, calamity alerts, or announcements about city projects. However, the use of the community channel must be formalized through a Memorandum of Agreement between the CCTV company and the City Government of Bacoor to ensure that the arrangement is not confiscatory in nature.

Rule IV PENAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 23. Penalty. – The Manager, Administrator or Head of Office of public utility companies, distributors of emergency power, owners/proprietors of buildings, and their contractors who shall be found violating the provisions of the Ordinance and this IRR shall suffer the lines and penalties as follows:

First Offense - a fine of Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00)

Second Offense - a fine of One Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P1,500.00)

Third Offense - a fine of Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P2,500.00)

Fourth Offense – a fine of Three Thousand Pesos (P3,000.00), or imprisonment of not more than three (3) months or both such fine and penalty upon the discretion of the proper court.

Section 24. Failure to Remove or Relocate Electric Poles, Wires, and other Equipment. – If the companies or individuals do not remove or relocate any non-compliant poles, wires, cables, apparatus, equipment, or promotional materials after receiving sufficient notice and time, they will be required to cover the costs incurred by the City Government of Bacoor for the removal or relocation. The Office of the City Accountant will calculate these costs based on the actual expenses incurred.

In case the responsible party fails to reimburse these costs after receiving a written demand, the Office of the City Legal Services is authorized to file a suit to recover the expenses on behalf of the City Government.

Rule V FINAL PROVISIONS

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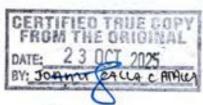


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Section 25. Budget Appropriations. – The City Government of Baccor shall allocate the necessary funds in its annual budget or any subsequent supplemental budget to implement the provisions outlined in the Ordinance.

Section 26. Changes or Modifications of the Implementing Rules and Regulations. – In order to ensure the efficient and effective implementation of the Ordinance, the Office of the City Mayor, in consultation with relevant offices, may propose amendments to said Ordinance and, consequently, to this IRR, as deemed necessary.

Section 27. Separability. – Should any section or provision of this IRR be deemed unconstitutional or invalid, the unaffected sections or provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 28. Repeal. – All local rules or regulations inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this IRR are hereby repealed and modified accordingly.

Section 29. Effectivity. - This IRR shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

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