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May 04, 2026

ATTY. KHALID A. ATEGA, JR.
Sanggunian Secretary
City of Bacoor
This Province

Dear Atty. Atega:

May we furnish your good office with a copy of **RESOLUTION NO. 4772-2026** entitled **"A RESOLUTION ADOPTING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 527-12SP-2026 OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS"**(City Ordinance No. 504-2026), duly passed by the 12th Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Cavite during its 39th Regular Session held on April 27, 2026.

For your information and reference.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,


MICHELLE F. ALCID
Provincial Board Secretary

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DATE: APR 22 2026
 TIME: 5:25pm
 BY: CAMILLE LAUREN V. DEL ROSARIO

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 527-12SP 2026

FOR: THE PRESIDING OFFICER AND THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

FROM: HON. CAMILLE LAUREN V. DEL ROSARIO
 Chair, Committee on Transportation and Communications

SUBJECT: CITY ORDINANCE NO. 504-2026 Series of 2026

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING COMMUNITY-BASED, VOLUNTARY CARPOOLING ARRANGEMENTS IN THE CITY OF BACOR, PROMOTING EFFICIENT USE OF PRIVATE AND CITY GOVERNMENT OWNED MOTOR VEHICLES, REDUCING TRAFFIC CONGESTION, REQUIRING PASSENGER INSURANCE COVERAGE, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF.

DATE: 22 APRIL 2026

PRELIMINARIES

On 07 April 2026, the Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor, Cavite, submitted¹ City Ordinance No. 504-2026 Series of 2026 entitled:

"AN ORDINANCE REGULATING COMMUNITY-BASED, VOLUNTARY CARPOOLING ARRANGEMENTS IN THE CITY OF BACOR, PROMOTING EFFICIENT USE OF PRIVATE AND CITY GOVERNMENT OWNED MOTOR VEHICLES, REDUCING TRAFFIC CONGESTION, REQUIRING PASSENGER INSURANCE COVERAGE, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF."

On 13 April 2026, during the 37th Regular Session of the 12th Sangguniang Panlalawigan, the said ordinance was referred² to the Committee on Transportation and Communications for study. On the same date, this committee endorsed the said ordinance to the Office of the Provincial Legal Officer³ and to the Office of the Provincial Vice-Governor-Legislative⁴ for study and legal advice.

On 22 April 2026, this committee received from Atty. Nemuel C. Camarse, Attorney IV of Office of the Provincial Legal Officer, his review.⁵

The Bacoor Carpooling Regulation and Safety Ordinance (City Ordinance No. 504-2026) is established as a strategic local traffic management and mobility measure designed to promote

¹ Annex A - City Ordinance No. 504-2026 Series of 2026 from the City of Bacoor, Cavite

² Annex B - Endorsement letter of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Secretariat dated 13 April 2026, to the Committee on Transportation and Communications.

³ Annex C - Endorsement letter of this Committee to the Office of the Provincial Legal Officer dated 13 April 2026

⁴ Annex D - Endorsement letter of this Committee to the Office of the Provincial Vice-Governor-Legislative dated 13 April 2026

⁵ Annex E - Review from the Office of the Provincial Legal Officer dated 21 April 2026, received on April 22, 2026





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efficient, sustainable, and community-based transportation solutions within the City of Bacoor. Recognizing the economic burden of rising fuel prices and the environmental impact of increasing road congestion, the ordinance seeks to maximize the utility of both privately owned and government motor vehicles through voluntary ride-sharing arrangements. By fostering cooperation among residents, co-workers, and neighbors, the measure aims to reduce the volume of single-occupancy vehicles on major thoroughfares, thereby decreasing travel time and fuel consumption while mitigating the carbon footprint of local motorists. Beyond traffic reduction, the ordinance serves as a regulatory framework to ensure the safety and welfare of all participants. The ordinance institutionalizes carpooling as a safe, non-commercial, and organized alternative to traditional commuting, ultimately enhancing overall urban mobility and public safety.

After a careful study by this Committee and the Office of the Provincial Legal Officer, we endorse the same to be **RETURNED TO ITS ORIGINATOR** by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan. We explain further below.

DISCUSSION

The Office of the Provincial Legal Officer in its review and recommendation mentioned that:

"After a careful study of the above stated ordinance, this Office humbly state that the proposed ordinance is in consonance with the provisions of the Constitution, the Local Government Code of 1991, and other pertinent laws.

City governments can validly set up and manage carpooling systems through local ordinances, as long as these follow national rules, especially those on safety and the prohibition of unauthorized or "colorum" transport services. This authority comes from the Local Government Code, which allows local government units (LGUs) to create measures that promote the general welfare, including solutions to traffic and rising transportation costs. Community-based carpooling is turned to as a practical and voluntary way to help reduce traffic congestion and fuel expenses.

Vehicles used for carpooling must meet safety requirements, such as having proper insurance and should also remain non-profit, meaning participants only share expenses like fuel or toll fees, and should not operate as a business that charges fares. LGUs, in enacting carpooling ordinances, must coordinate with national agencies like the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board and the Land Transportation Office, and strictly adhere with its mandates, especially if registration or special permits are needed.

Carpooling should not also compete with regular public transport; such as that trips may be limited to specific routes, such as one pickup and one drop-off, and only allowed at certain times of the day, at mornings and evenings.

Hence, the proposed ordinance is consistent with existing legal provisions, and this Office interposes no objection to its passage.



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Nonetheless, it is respectfully recommended that Section 10 be deleted and that a separate ordinance be enacted to govern the hiring of additional Job Order (JO) personnel. Under Section 77 of Republic Act No. 7160, the local chief executive, such as the city mayor, is authorized to hire JO personnel for projects duly approved by the Sanggunian. However, such authority cannot be exercised arbitrarily and must be supported by prior authorization from the Sanggunian through an ordinance specifically providing for such hiring. Accordingly, it is necessary to enact a separate appropriation or enabling ordinance that clearly defines the number of personnel, their compensation, and the funding source, in order to ensure transparency and prevent possible mismanagement of public funds."

As of this date, the signed conformity from the Office of the Provincial Vice Governor-Legislative has yet to be received, this Committee shall proceed by adopting the legal opinion rendered by the Office of the Provincial Legal Officer as its primary legal basis. This measure ensures that the Committee remains compliant with the mandated timelines for legislative action while maintaining a sound legal foundation for its recommendations.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, premises considered, it is most humbly and respectfully submitted that City Ordinance No. 504-2026 from the City of Bacoor, Cavite, be RETURNED TO ITS ORIGINATOR for appropriate revision. This Committee respectfully recommends that Section 10 be deleted and that a separate ordinance be enacted to govern the hiring of additional Job Order (JO) personnel.

Respectfully Submitted:

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS


HON. CAMILLE LAUREN V. DEL ROSARIO
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Vice Chair


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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 39TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE 12TH SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF CAVITE HELD ON APRIL 27, 2026 AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN CONFERENCE ROOM, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, NEW PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT CENTER, TRECE MARTIRES CITY, CAVITE

PRESENT:

Hon. Romel R. Enriquez	Temporary Presiding Officer
Hon. Alde Joselito F. Pagulayan	Majority Floor Leader
Hon. Juan Ysmael R. Gandia	SP Member, 1 st District
Hon. Lloyd Emman D. Jaro	SP Member, 3 rd District
Hon. Aidel Paul G. Belamide	SP Member, 5 th District
Hon. Ivey Jayne A. Reyes	SP Member, 5 th District
Hon. Maurito C. Sison	SP Member, 6 th District
Hon. Jhon Kester Aldrin R. Anacan	SP Member, 7 th District
Hon. Camille Lauren V. del Rosario	SP Member, 7 th District
Hon. Jasmin Angelli M. Bautista	SP Member, 8 th District
Hon. Eimeren M. Nazareno	SP Member, 8 th District
Hon. Edward R. Samala, Jr.	CCL President
Hon. Rafael V. Paterno III	LNB Provincial Chapter President
Hon. Chelsea Jillian G. Sarno	SK Provincial Federation President

OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

Hon. Ramon Vicente H. Bautista	Vice Governor
Hon. Edwin E. Malvar	SP Member, 2 nd District
Hon. Nickanor N. Austria, Jr.	SP Member, 4 th District
Hon. Kerby J. Salazar	SP Member, 6 th District

ON LEAVE:

Hon. Arnel M. Cantimbuhan	Pro-Tempore
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ABSENT:

None

RESOLUTION NO. 4772-2026

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 527-12SP-2026 OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

WHEREAS, presented to the Honorable Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, is Committee Report No. 527-12SP-2026, submitted by Hon. Camille Lauren V. del Rosario, Chair, Committee on Transportation and Communications, pertaining to an ordinance from the City of Bacoor, entitled:

City Ordinance No. 504-2026 – An Ordinance Regulating Community-Based, Voluntary Carpooling Arrangements In The City Of Bacoor, Promoting Efficient Use Of Private And City Government Owned Motor Vehicles, Reducing Traffic Congestion, Requiring Passenger Insurance Coverage, And Providing Penalties For Violations Hereof

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HON. RAFAEL V. PATERNO III

HON. CHELSEA JILLIAN G. SARNO

Attested by:

JOVANI N. QUADRA
Board Secretary V

Certified by:

HON. ROMEL R. ENRIQUEZ
Temporary Presiding Officer

Date Signed: May 4, 2026



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WHEREAS, after having been reviewed by the said Committee and the Office of the Provincial Legal Officer, it was recommended to be returned to its originator:

The Office of the Provincial Legal Officer in its review and recommendation, mentioned that:

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Attested by:

JOVANI N. CUADRA

Board Secretary V

Certified by:

HON. ROMEL R. ENRIQUEZ
Temporary Presiding Officer

Date Signed: May 9, 2026

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NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. del Rosario, duly seconded by Hon. Pagulayan and unanimously approved by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members present, be it **RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, that Committee Report No. 527-12SP-2026 of the Committee on Transportation and Communications be adopted, and that City Ordinance No. 504-2026 from the City of Bacoor be **RETURNED TO ITS ORIGINATOR**.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

I hereby attest that the foregoing resolution was duly passed by the 12th Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Cavite during its 39th Regular Session held on April 27, 2026.

JOVANI N. CUADRA
Board Secretary V

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Board Secretary V

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Date Signed: May 4, 2026

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