

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL HELD IN THE CITY OF BACOLOD ON THE 11th DAY OF MARCH 2025

PRESENT:

Hon. Valentino Miguel J. Alonso Temporary Presiding Officer Hon. Rommel T. Debulgado Member - 1st District Hon. Araceli T. Somosa Member - 1st District Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr. Member - 2nd District Hon. Andrew Gerard L. Montelibano Member - 3rd District Hon. Jose Benito A. Alonso Member - 4th District Hon. Rita Angela S. Gatuslao Member - 5th District Hon. Jeffrey T. Tubola Member - 6th District Hon. Richard Julius L. Sablan Member - ABC Rep. Hon. Mayvelyn L. Madrid Member - SKF Rep. ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS: Hon. Jeffrey P. Ferrer Vice Governor Hon. Samson C. Mirhan Member - 2nd District Member - 3rd District Hon. Manuel Frederick O. Ko Member - 4th District Hon. Andrew Martin Y. Torres Hon. Anthony Dennis J. Occeño Member - 5th District Hon. Julius Martin D. Asistio Member - PCL Rep.

RESOLUTION NO. 0308 Series of 2025

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2024-13, OF THE CITY OF LA CARLOTA, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL APPROVING THE 2025 ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE SAID CITY IN THE AMOUNT OF EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED NINETY NINE PESOS (P865,752,699.00)

WHEREAS, thereby presented to the Board for review and appropriate action is Appropriation Ordinance No. 2024-13 of the City of La Carlota, Negros Occidental appropriating the amount of Eight Hundred Sixty Five Million Seven Hundred Fifty Two Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Nine Pesos (P865,752,699.00) as the 2025 Annual Budget of the said city that was submitted to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan on December 17, 2024;

WHEREAS, the above-mentioned budget shows apparent compliance in substance with the provisions of R.A 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, CY 2016 Updated Budget Operations Manual for Local Government Units, implementing circulars and other issuances as pre-reviewed and endorsed by the Local Finance Committee through the Provincial Budget Office;

WHEREAS, in view of the foregoing, the SP Committee on Finance recommends approval of the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Rommel T. Debulgado, and unanimously seconded by all members present,

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THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN RESOLVED, as it hereby resolves, to approve Appropriation Ordinance No. 2024-13 of the City of La Carlota, Negros Occidental appropriating the amount of Eight Hundred Sixty Five Million Seven Hundred Fifty Two Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Nine Pesos (P865,752,699.00) as the 2025 Annual Budget of the said city subject to the following conditions:

- The Human Resource, Position Classification and Staffing Actions shall be consistent with the rules and regulations established under Civil Service Commission Memorandum Circular 12, series of 2022; CSC Memorandum Circular No. 24, series of 2017 as amended by CSC MC No. 14, series of 2018; Local Budget Circular No. 53; Budget Circular No. 2019-1; and other existing guidelines and policies. Position Titles and Salary Grades shall conform with Local Budget Circular No. 137 dated July 13, 2021 of the Department of Budget and Management. Moreover, creation of positions shall be subject to the condition, among others, that the Salary Standardization Law has been fully implemented;
- 2. The utilization of the 20% Development Fund shall be disbursed in accordance with the general policies prescribed under Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) No. 1 of the DBM, DoF and DILG dated November 4, 2020 and shall proceed from itemized appropriations for specific development projects/activities embodied in the Local Development Plan and/or public investment program formulated and prioritized by the Local Development Council and approved by the local sanggunian as provided under section 454(d) of the Implementing Rules and regulations of RA No. 7160;
- 3. The utilization of Local Disaster Risk and Reduction Management Fund shall be in accordance with the implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. 10121, COA Circular No. 2012-02 dated September 12, 2012 and NDRRMC-DBM-DILG Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 dated March 25, 2013. Furthermore, the LDRRM Plan of the city should be reviewed by the Office of the Civil Defense pursuant to Sec. 9(e) of RA No. 10121;
- 4. The Gender and Development (GAD) Plan and Budget shall be prepared pursuant to RA No. 7192, RA No. 9710, and Philippine Commission on Women-DILG-DBM-National Economic and Development Authority JMC No. 2016-01 dated January 12, 2016, and the same shall be reviewed and endorsed by the Department of the Interior and Local Government;
- 5. Pursuant to Section 51 of RA No. 9165, LGUs shall appropriate a substantial portion of their respective annual budgets to assist in or enhance the enforcement of said law by giving priority to preventive or educational programs and the rehabilitation or treatment of drug dependents. Relative thereto, LGUs may refer to DILG MC No. 2021-044 dated April 14, 2021 for the loss of anti-illegal drug programs and/or activities that they may prioritize and implement;



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- 6. Section 12 of RA No. 11861 provides that a monthly allocation for cash subsidy of P1,000.00 shall be granted to solo parents earning minimun wage and below, as mandated in Section 17 (b)(2)(iv) of RA No. 7160 and guided by Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Memorandum Circular No. 140 dated September 29, 2023;
- 7. The items for Donations shall be spent solely for public purpose pursuant to Sections 305(b), 335 and 351 of the LGC 1991. Furthermore, disbursement of Donations under the office/s other than the Mayor's Office shall be under the general supervision of the Local Chief Executive per Section 455 of the 1991 LGC;
- 8. The purchase and specifications of the motor vehicles shall be subject to the provisions of Administrative Order No. 14 dated December 10, 2018; Budget Circular (BC) No. 2022-1 dated February 11, 2022 and BC No. 2022-1A dated March 1, 2023 of the Department of Budget and Management;
- The grant of Terminal Leave Benefits and Monetization of Leave Credits shall be in accordance with CSC Omnibus Rules on Leave pursuant to CSC Memorandum Circular No. 41, series of 1998 Budget Circular NO. 2013-1 dated April 12, 2013 and BC No. 2016-2 dated March 29, 2016
- 10. The payment for Magna Carta Benefits of Public Health Workers shall be in accordance with DBM-Department of Health (DOH) Joint Circular (JC) No. 1 dated November 29, 2012, as amended by DBM-DOH JC No. 1 dated July 15, 2016;
- 11. The payment for Magna Carta benefits for Public Social Workers (PSWs) shall be in accordance with the provisions of DBM-Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Joint Circular (JC) No. 1 dated December 27, 2018;
- 12. The appropriation for Wages Casual/Contractual shall be subject to pertinent budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations, and to the following provisions for Civil Service Commission's 2017 Omnibus Rules on Appointments and Other Human Resource Actions, as follows:
 - Employees under contractual or casual appointment are entitled to the same benefits enjoyed by regular employees; and
 - b. In no case shall a casual appointment be issued to fill a vacant Plantilla position of a casual employee perform the duties and responsibilities of the vacant Plantilla position



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- 13. The payment of Honorarium to municipal government personnel shall be in accordance with Budget Circular Nos. 2007-1 and 2007-2 of the Department of Budget and Management while those involved in government procurement shall be in accordance with the provisions of Budget Circular Nos. 2004-5A and 2007-3 dated October 7, 2005 and November 29, 2007, respectively of the DBM:
- 14. The disbursement of the appropriation for Overtime Pay shall be subject to the policies and guidelines of the CSC and DBM Joint Circular No. 2, dated November 25, 2015;
- 15. The Personnel Economic Relief Allowance (PERA) shall be pursuant to Budget Circular (BC) Nos. 2009-3 dated August 18, 2009, and 2011-2 dated September 26, 2011 of the Department of Budget and Management;
- 16. The payment of Representation and Transportation Allowance shall be pursuant to Local Budget Circular No. 157 dated May 3, 2024, the specific rates per position is indicated in Annex B of the same LBC;
- 17. The payment of Uniform/Clothing Allowance shall be pursuant to Budget Circular No. 2024-1 dated April 4, 2024 of the Department of Budget and Management;
- 18. The Mid-Year Bonus shall be pursuant to BC No. 2017-2 dated May 8, 2017 and BC No. 2019-4 dated July 5, 2019 of the Department of Budget and Management;
- 19. Section 4 of RA No. 11315 provides that Community-Based Monitoring System (CBMS), shall be established and instituted in every city and municipality as an economic and social tool for the formulation and implementation of poverty alleviation and development programs that are specific, targeted, and responsive to the basic needs of each sector of the community, hence, the municipality is encourage to provide the needed funds for the implementation of its mandates and functions relative to CBMS;
- 20. The municipality shall identify, tag, and prioritize its climate change PPAs in accordance with the DBM-Climate Change Commission (CCC), DILG JMC No. 2015-01 dated July 23, 2015. Moreover, as required under item 5.1.5 of the same JMC, the LGU shall submit an electronic copy of the tagged AIP to the CCC;
- 21. The purchase of goods, infrastructure projects and consulting services shall be made in accordance with the provisions of RA No, 9184 and its 2016 revised Implementing Rules and Regulations;



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- 22. The disbursement of the appropriation for Other Personnel Benefits shall strictly be in accordance with the existing laws/issuances on compensation and benefits and that a copy of the Revised Plantilla of Personnel shall be furnished to the Provincial Budget Office, in case of Salary Adjustments;
- 23. The utilization and disbursement of appropriations for Confidential Expenses shall be subject to the provisions of the Guidelines on the Entitlement, Release, Use, Reporting and Audit of Confidential and/or Intelligence Funds per Joint Circular 2015-01 dated January 8, 2015 of the COA, DBM, DILG, GC for GOCCs and DND and it should not exceed thirty (30%) of the total annual amount allocated for Peace and Order program (POP) of the LGU as approved by the Peace and Order Council;
- 24. The disbursement of the appropriation for Food Supplies Expense under various offices and programs shall be disbursed for food issued to hospital/rehabilitation of patients, jail inmates and the like per COA Circular No. 2015-009 dated December 1, 2015;
- 25. The FY 2025 Annual Budget of the municipality shall be prepared consistent with the Revised Chart of Accounts for LGUs, as prescribed under Commission on Audit (COA) Circular NO. 2015-009 dated December 1, 2015;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the above reminders, conditions, and other appropriations under this Annual Budget shall be subject to other issuance not specifically mentioned herein and the disbursement be made strictly in accordance with the applicable budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations, and the provisions of the Government Procurement Reform Act (RA 9184), and other pertinent laws.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that adequate provisions for basic services and facilities specifically those enumerated under section 17 of the 1991 Local Government Code and other provisions reiterated in Local Budget memorandum No. 90 and 90-A dated June 13, 2024 and December 27, 2024 respectively, of the Department of Budget and Management shall be the responsibility of the municipal government.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that compliance with the existing laws, rules and regulations shall be the responsibility of the city government.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

HON. VALENTINO MIGUEL J/ALONSO

Temporary Presiding Officer



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ATTESTED:

ATTY. MAKI ANGEL O. ASCALON

Provincial Secretary