

Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL
Old Capitol Building, Bacolod City
Tel. No. 707-8075 (Admin) * 435-7698 (Board Member) * 709-0121 (Legislative Division)
OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

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 20th DAY OF MAY 2025

PRESENT:

Hon. Jeffrey T. Tubola

Hon. Rommel T. Debulgado

Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr.

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Hon. Jeffrey P. Ferrer Vice Governor

Hon. Manuel Frederick O. Ko

Hon. Rita Angela S. Gatuslao

Hon. Anthony Dennis J. Occeño

Member - 3rd District

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Member - 6th District

Hon. Julius Martin D. Asistio

Member - PCL Rep

RESOLUTION NO. 0576 Series of 2025

RESOLUTION DECLARING ORDINANCE NO. 25-06 OF THE CITY OF SAN CARLOS, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER III, ARTICLE N AND CHAPTER V, ARTICLES C AND M OF ORDINANCE NO. 23-21, SERIES OF 2023, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "SAN CARLOS CITY REVENUE CODE OF 2023" BY INCREASING HOSPITAL RATES AND FEES, PROVIDING ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES AS A VALID ENACTED ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Section 56 of the Local Government Code of 1991 expresses the reviewing power of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan on Component City and Municipal Ordinances and Resolutions declaring the Ordinance or Resolution valid if it is consistent with the law or invalid in whole or in part if the Sangguniang Panlalawigan finds the Ordinance or Resolution to be beyond the power conferred upon the Sangguniang Panlungsod or Sangguniang Bayan concerned;

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 25-06 of the City of San Carlos, Negros Occidental entitled: "An Ordinance amending Chapter III, Article N and Chapter V, Article C and M of Ordinance No. 23-21, series of 2023, otherwise known as the "San Carlos City Revenue Code of 2023" by increasing hospital rates and fees, providing additional provisions thereof and for other purposes," was submitted for review by the City of San Carlos to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Negros Occidental;

WHEREAS, after prompt examination by the Provincial Legal Office, it is the recommendation of the said Office that the subject Ordinance is within the conferred power of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of San Carlos to enact, thus, the same may be given due course by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan;



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WHEREAS, the subject ordinance finds its legal support from Section 16, 18, 129, and 132 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, which empower Local Government Units (LGUs) to exercise powers necessary of general welfare, efficient governance, and local fiscal autonomy.

Section 16 of the Local Government Code of 1991 states 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. Within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecology, encourage and support the development of appropriate and self-reliant scientific and technological capabilities, improve public morals, enhance economic prosperity and social justice, promote full employment among their residents, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants."

WHEREAS, the increase in hospital rates and fees is supported by Section 129 of the Local Government Code of 1991, which grants local government units (LGUs) the authority to create their own sources of revenue and to levy taxes, fees, and charges. Furthermore, Section 153 of the same Code specifically allows LGUs to impose service fees and charges for services rendered. The revisions made by San Carlos City to the 2023 Revenue Code by increasing hospital-related fees are, therefore, within the City's power to enhance public service delivery, ensure financial sustainability, and respond appropriately to inflation and rising operational costs.

WHEREAS, the ordinance complies with the six (6) generally accepted principles for a valid ordinance, as adopted by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Negros Occidental under Resolution No. 1206, which are:

- It must not contravene the Constitution or any statute.
- 2. It must not be unfair or oppressive.
- 3. It must not be partial or discriminatory.
- 4. It must not prohibit but may regulate trade.
- 5. It must be general and consistent with public policy.
- 6. It must not be unreasonable.

WHEREAS, the reviewing authority of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan finds no irregularity that follow thereto as a result of the thorough scrutiny of the Provincial Legal Officer;

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

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr., and duly seconded by all the members present,



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THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN RESOLVED, as it hereby resolves, to approve this resolution to wit:

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ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

HON. JEFFREY T. TUBOLA
Temporary Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

Provincial Secretary,