

Republic of the Philippines City of Bago OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

ORDINANCE NO. 21-19

AN ORDINANCE ON COLLECTION OF CORRESPONDING BARANGAY CLEARANCE FEE IN THE APPLICATION FOR ANY BUSINESS RELATED TRANSACTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Explanatory Note:

WHEREAS, there is a need to streamline/simplify the process of business registration in the City of Bago to provide a more efficient and effective revenue collection and to promote it friendlier atmosphere for taxpayers and investors;

WHEREAS, when regulations are simple and transparent entrepreneurs will not experience red tape and time consuming transactions;

WHEREAS, the EODB ACT of 2018 or Republic Act 11032, otherwise known as "An Act Promoting Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Delivery of Government Services" seeks to make the process of putting up and running a business in the Philippines easier and more efficient;

WHEREAS, Section 11(f) of RA 11032 provides that "Barangay clearances and permits related to doing business shall be applied, issued and collected at the City/Municipality level in accordance with the prescribed processing time in the Act on the condition that the share in the collections shall be remitted to the concerned barangays; and

WHEREAS, Barangays in the City of Bago enacted Barangay Ordinances to authorize the City of Bago to issue barangay clearance and collect corresponding barangay clearance fee in the application for any business relate transactions subject to the remittance of the fees to the barangay and the conditions which this ordinance have provided.

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of Sangguniang Panlungsod Member Cleo F. Gaudite, unanimously seconded by all members present, be it enacted by the Sanggunian Panlungsod that:

- **SECTION 1. COVERAGE.** This policy applies only to the issuance of Barangay Clearance for business permit and locational clearance (as a requirement for the issuance of building permit) at the City. Other clearances for other purposes shall still be obtained from the Barangay.
- **SECTION 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS.** The words and phrases used in this ordinance are hereby defined as follows:
 - **a. Barangay Clearance** refers to any and all documents issued by the Barangays with or without corresponding fees as defined in their ordinances relative to or in relation with the issuance of business permits and locational/zoning clearances by the City or any other permit as maybe required.
 - **b. Barangay Clearance Fees** is an amount imposed by the barangays through an ordinance and collected by the city in relation to the issuance of business permit and locational clearance it may issue.
 - **c.** Business Permit is a document that must be secured from the city government, usually through its Business Permits and Licensing Office (BPLO), for a business to legally operate in the locality.

- d. Locational Clearance is a clearance issued by the Zoning Administrator/Zoning Officer to a project that is allowed under the provisions of the city ordinance. It is a requirement for the issuance of Building Permit.
 - e. City shall refer to the City Government of Bago.

SECTION 3. AUTHORITY TO COLLECT BARANGAY CLEARANCE FEE FOR BUSINESS RELATED TRANSACTIONS. - The City is given the authority to collect Barangay Clearance Fee subject to the remittance to the concerned Barangay.

SECTION 4. RATE OF BARANGAY CLEARANCE FEE TO BE COLLECTED. -The rate of Barangay Clearance Fee to be collected by the City under this Ordinance shall be in accordance with the Barangay Revenue Ordinance/Code of each component barangay which hereto integrated and made part.

SECTION 5. BARANGAY CLEARANCE SIGNATORY. - Electronic Signature of Punong Barangay concern shall appear in all barangay clearances to be issued.

SECTION 6. REPORTING AND REMITTANCE. - The City shall remit to the concerned Barangay the fees collected not later than seven (7) working days of the ensuing month with the list of the issued Building and Business Permits.

SECTION 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. - If for any reason, any part of this Ordinance is declared illegal o invalid, other parts or provisions which are not affected shall remain valid and in effect.

SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE. - All ordinance, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are deemed modified or repealed accordingly.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY. - This Ordinance shalt take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication.

Enacted August 18, 2021.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance which was duly enacted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod during its Regular Session held on August 18, 2021.

ATTY. ALLAN C. GALUNAN

Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:

ANDREW MARTIN Y. TORRES

SP Member-Acting Presiding Officer

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City Mayor