



## *Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod*

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE FIFTH CITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE SESSION HALL ON FEBRUARY 23, 2016.

PRESENT:

Hon. Ma. Charo Dichoso – Logronio  
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

WEST DISTRICT

Hon. Fernando David H. Duran III

EAST DISTRICT

Hon. Florencio J. Jamisola, Jr.  
Hon. Joven G. Laura  
Hon. Mary Ellen D. Jamisola  
Hon. Ralph Walter R. Lubiano

BACON DISTRICT

Hon. Iñigo D. Destacamento  
Hon. Emmanuel D. Diolata

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER

ABSENT: Hon. Aldin V. Ayo  
Hon. Pedro A. Ravanilla – On Official Business  
Hon. Rogelio J. Jebulan, Sr.  
Hon. Roque D. Divina – On Official Business  
Hon. Hilario D. Dioneda – On Official Business  
Hon. Nestor J. Baldon

### **Resolution No. 063, Series of 2016**

(Author: Hon. Iñigo D. Destacamento)

RESOLUTION ENACTING AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS TO MANDATORILY CONDUCT A TREE-PLANTING ACTIVITY AS A GRADUATION REQUIREMENT TO ALL GRADUATING SECONDARY AND TERTIARY STUDENTS IN THE CITY OF SORSOGON.

WHEREAS, it is a declared policy of the state that every territorial and political subdivision of the state shall enjoy genuine and meaningful local autonomy to enable them to attain the fullest development as self-reliant communities and make them more effective partners in the attainment of national goals;

WHEREAS, it is the mandate for the local government units to exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied there from, as well as the powers necessary, appropriate or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

WHEREAS, the city government of Sorsogon ensures and supports the enhancement of economic prosperity and social justice, and the preservation of the comfort and convenience of its constituents;

WHEREAS, social and environmental responsibility/mandate invoking the constitutional right of every inhabitant in the City of Sorsogon especially those residing in nearly critical areas for a balanced and healthful ecology by protecting, preserving, rehabilitating or restoring the environment through tree planting;

WHEREAS, DepEd Memorandum No. 140, Series of 2015 from Secretary Armin A. Luistro for a conduct of National Tree Planting Activity in culmination with the **National Environmental Awareness Month** pursuant to Republic Act No. 9152 entitled **National Environmental Awareness and Education Act of 2008**;

WHEREAS, students in their early stages of their lives must be aware and instil environmental concern to our Mother Earth and support to the government's effort to mitigate climate change and global warming;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of **Hon. Iñigo D. Destacamento**, duly seconded by the **Hon. Florencio J. Jamisola, Jr.**, resolve, as it is hereby resolved to enact an ordinance requiring all public and private schools to mandatorily conduct a tree-planting activity as a graduation requirement to all graduating secondary and tertiary students in the City of Sorsogon.

## **CITY ORDINANCE NO. 004, SERIES OF 2016**

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS TO MANDATORILY CONDUCT A TREE-PLANTING ACTIVITY AS A GRADUATION REQUIREMENT TO ALL GRADUATING SECONDARY AND TERTIARY STUDENTS IN THE CITY OF SORSOGON.

Be it ordained by the 5<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlungsod of Sorsogon City in session that:

### **SECTION 1 TITLE**

This ordinance shall be known as the "GRADUATING STUDENT TREE PLANTING ORDINANCE OF 2016".

### **SECTION 2 DECLARATION OF POLICY**

It is hereby declared the policy of the local government of Sorsogon City to preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitant through any means for a balanced and healthful ecology and for the mitigation of climate change and global warming.

### **SECTION 3 DEFINITION OF TERMS**

As used in this Ordinance, the following phrases shall be construed as follows;

<b>TREE PLANTING –</b>	process of transplanting tree seedlings generally for forestry land, reclamation or landscaping purposes.
<b>IDLE LAND –</b>	land that was cultivated but is now in a state of disused, abandoned land or fallow land.
<b>CRITICAL AREAS –</b>	areas which are prone to soil erosion and flooding.

### **SECTION 4 SCOPE/COVERAGE**

This ordinance shall cover all government and private secondary and tertiary schools in the City of Sorsogon. The DepEd-Sorsogon City in coordination with the Local Government Unit and Local Barangay Unit shall determine idle and nearly critical areas for tree-planting activity in the City of Sorsogon.

### **SECTION 5 TREE-PLANTING ACTIVITY**

Before the tree-planting activity, all DepEd - Sorsogon City secondary and tertiary schools shall coordinate with the City Environment and Natural Resources (CENRO) for free seedlings and to the host barangays for the location of the tree-planting activity.

All barangay Officials and Barangay Police of the host barangays shall facilitate in the tree-planting activity and will provide assistance and security to the participants thereat.

## SECTION 6 SYNCHRONIZED TREE PLANTING ACTIVITY

The Office of the Superintendent of the DepEd - Sorsogon City shall schedule synchronized tree planting activity for all graduating secondary and tertiary students in the city of Sorsogon and thereby include the same in their annual school activities for the purpose.

## SECTION 7 REPEALING CLAUSE

All ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations, or any part(s) thereof which are inconsistent with any provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

## SECTION 8 SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

If any reason or reasons, any part or provision of this ordinance shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provision hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

## SECTION 9 EFFECTIVITY

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval and after compliance with the law on public dissemination and of publication.

DATE APPROVED: February 23, 2016

  
MA. CHARO L. DICHOSO-LOGRONIO  
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

Attested:

  
NOEL G. DREU  
Secretary to the  
Sangguniang Panlungsod

Approved:

  
SALLY A. LEE  
City Mayor