



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Sorsogon
CITY OF SORSOGON



Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE EIGHTH CITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL, CABID AN, EAST DISTRICT, SORSOGON CITY ON NOVEMBER 22, 2022.

PRESENT:

HON. MARK ERIC C. DIONEDA
City Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer

WEST DISTRICT

Hon. Peter Joseph J. Ravanilla
Hon. Nestor J. Baldon
Hon. Bryan J. Pingul
Hon. Ma. Teresa D. Perdigon

EAST DISTRICT

Hon. Maria Theresa S. Gonzalez
Hon. Mark Jayson D. Jamisola
Hon. Angelu Magda P. Ravanilla

BACON DISTRICT

Hon. Jo Abegail C. Dioneda
Hon. Glenn P. Olbes
Hon. Danilo A. Deladia

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Hon. Bessie C. Diaz

ABSENT:

Hon. Reynaldo C. Taladtad – on sick leave
Hon. Lester R. Lubiano – on official business
Hon. Renalene Mae J. Duka – on official business

Resolution No. 447, Series of 2022

(Author: Hon. Maria Theresa S. Gonzalez)

RESOLUTION ENACTING AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE SORSOGON CITY URBAN POOR AND HOUSING DEVELOPMENT OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE

WHEREAS, Local Government Units (LGUs) play a major role in community development, provide links between people and government, address community problems and concerns, enforce policies and hold influence over its jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, there is a need to identify and create offices and positions that would most efficiently deliver basic services to the public in consonance with the present needs of our society;

WHEREAS, under RA 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, the Sangguniang Panlungsod, subject to the provisions of the same and pertinent laws, has also the power/authority to determine the powers and duties of officials and employees of the city. (RA 7160, Sec. 458(1) (vii);

WHEREAS, foregoing premises considered and after due deliberation on the matter, the 8th City Council deemed it necessary to enact an ordinance creating the Sorsogon City Urban Poor and Housing Development Office and appropriating funds for the purpose;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of **Hon. Maria Theresa S. Gonzalez**, duly seconded by **Hon. Jo Abegail C. Dioneda**, resolved as it is hereby resolve to enact an ordinance creating the Sorsogon City Urban Poor and Housing Development Office and appropriating funds for the purpose.

City Ordinance No. 014, Series of 2022

AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE SORSOGON CITY URBAN POOR AND HOUSING DEVELOPMENT OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod in session, that:

CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

SECTION 1 TITLE

This ordinance shall be known as the “Sorsogon City Urban Poor and Housing Development Office Ordinance of 2022”.

SECTION 2 SCOPE/COVERAGE

This ordinance shall cover the creation of the Sorsogon City Urban Poor and Housing Development Office, its duties, function and responsibilities and their organizational structure.

SECTION 3 CREATION OF THE SORSOGON CITY URBAN POOR AND HOUSING DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

There is hereby created the Sorsogon City Urban Poor and Housing Development Office with the following duties, functions and responsibilities:

1. Implement programs, projects and activities of the city government designed to address, or respond to adversely affect, directly or indirectly, the right to, or need for, access to land, employment, housing livelihood, and basic services of the urban poor.
2. To undertake, in cooperation with the private sector, a comprehensive and continuing Urban Development and Housing Program in Implementation of Republic Act No. 7279, otherwise known as the “Urban Development and Housing Act of 1992” and to ensure observance and compliance of the following consideration:
 - a. Real right, land use and urban development shall at all times serve and yield to the demands of a healthy environment and a balance ecology.
 - b. By any government action, the ascendancy of the interest of the city, in general, and the welfare of the affected community, in particular, shall accord due respect and concern for the rights and needs of the individuals.
 - c. The urban poor sector is indispensable partner, and principal beneficiary of, urban development.

- d. Where irreconcilable individual or sectoral interests are involved, the city government shall uphold, espouse and advance the welfare of the urban poor sector and those who are more underprivileged or disadvantaged by virtue of their social or economic status.
- e. Rational and rural economic development is essential to the equitable and sustainable growth of the city.

Sorsogon City Urban Poor and Housing Development Office shall represent the city government and coordinate with the Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development (DHSUD), the National Housing Authority (NHA), and the Presidential Commission for the Urban Poor (PCUP) in formulating an Urban Development and Housing Framework.

3. To undertake, in active cooperation or partnership with concerned government agencies, private entities and the urban poor sector, a comprehensive and continuing urban development program, which shall:
 - a. Uplift the social and economic conditions of the urban poor sector.
 - b. Provide for the rational use and development of urban land in order to bring about the following:
 - Equitable utilization and disposition of residential lands, with particular attention to the needs and requirements of the urban poor sector and not merely on the basis of market force.
 - Optimization of the use and productivity of land and urban resources.
 - Development of urban areas conducive to commercial and industrial activities which can generate more economic opportunities for the people, without the unjust displacement of occupant urban poor families.
 - Reduction in urban dysfunction, particularly those that adversely affect public health and safety and the environment.
 - Access to land, housing, employment and basic services by the urban poor sector.
4. To design workable policies to regulate and direct urban development, growth expansion towards a dispersed urban net and a more balance urban-rural interdependence, and a healthy environment.
5. To design workable policies to encourage wider and more effective people's participation in the urban planning and development process.
6. Undertake review and rationalization of existing city land use plans, housing programs, and all other projects and activities of the city government and the private sector which may substantially affect land use patterns, transportation and public utilities, infrastructure, environment and population movements.
7. To conduct a continuing inventory and identification of lands for socialized housing and as resettlement areas for immediate and future needs of the underprivileged and homeless in the urban areas, taking into consideration the degree of availability of basic services and facilities, their accessibility and proximity to job sites and other economic opportunities, and the actual member of beneficiaries.
8. To recommend to the city government the expropriation of idle lands in the urban and urbanizable areas and the alternative schemes for the disposition of the same and other inventories or identified lands to beneficiaries.
9. Design a system for the registration of qualified program beneficiaries.
10. Design a system that will provide opportunities for adequate consultation with the private sector involved in socialized housing and other urban development projects, as well as for program beneficiaries to be heard and to participate in the decision making

process over matters involving the protection and promotion of their legitimate collective interests which shall include appropriate documentation and feedback mechanisms.

11. Adopt measures to identify and effectively curtail the nefarious and illegal activities of professional squatters and squatting syndicates.
12. Adopt guidelines for the lawful and humane relocation and resettlement of persons living in danger areas such as esteros, railroad tracks, garbage dumps, riverbanks, waterways, and in other public places such as sidewalks, roads, parks and playgrounds; provided, that relocation and resettlement sites shall be afforded basic services and facilities and access to employment and livelihood opportunities sufficient to meet the basic needs of the affected families.
13. Promote the production and use of indigenous, alternative, and low-cost construction materials and technologies for socialized housing, and to devise a set of mechanism including incentives to the private sector so that a viable transport system shall evolve and develop in urban areas.
14. To plan and promulgate urban activities for the conservation and protection of vital unique and sensitive ecosystem, scenic landscapes, cultural sites and other similar resource areas.
15. Develop and implement comprehensive housing and development programs for all lands and areas already identified by the city government as suitable for socialized housing.
16. To act as the city's arm in the implementation of all other pertinent provisions of Republic Act No. 7279.
17. To coordinate and cooperate with any and all national and city government agencies, offices and bodies in the exercise of all the foregoing powers, functions and responsibilities.

SECTION 4 ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

It is hereby created the official organizational structure and staffing pattern of the Sorsogon City Urban Poor and Housing Development Office. The Office through the Sangguniang Panlungsod shall be guided by the following position titles with the following qualification standards, to wit:

TITLE OF POSITION	OF SG/s	EDUCATION	EXPERIENCE	TRAINING	ELIGIBILITY
City Government Department Head I	25/1	Bachelor's Degree	5 years in position/s involving management and supervision	32 hours of training in management and supervision	CS Professional Second Level Eligibility
City Government Assistant Department Head I	23/1	Bachelor's Degree	3 years of relevant experience	16 hours relevant experience	CS Professional Second Level Eligibility

REGULATIONS DIVISION					
Housing and Homesite Regulation Officer III	16/1	Bachelor's Degree	1year relevant experience	4 hours relevant training	CS Professional Second Level Eligibility
Housing and Homesite Regulation Officer I	11/1	Bachelor's Degree	None	None	CS Professional
Housing and Homesite Regulation Assistant	8/1	Completion of 2 year-studies in College	1year of relevant experience	4 hours relevant training	CS Sub-Professional
Administrative Aide VI (Data Controller I)	6/1	Completion of 2 year-studies in College	None	None	CS Sub-Professional Data Encoder
Administrative Aide III (Driver I)	3/1	Elementary School Graduate	None	None	Professional Driver's Licensed (MC 10 sec. 13-Cont.IV)
RECORDS DIVISION					
Project Evaluation Officer I	11/1	Bachelor's Degree relevant to the job	None	None	CS Professional
Administrative Assistant I (Computer Operator I)	7/1	Completion of 2 year-studies in College	None	None	CS Sub-Professional Data Encoder

The City Mayor may augment the staff of the Sorsogon City Urban Poor and Housing Development Office through any or a combination of the following options:

1. Designation or assignment or personnel of the city government to the Sorsogon City Urban Poor and Housing Development Office in concurrent capacities with their existing positions.
2. Reassignment of personnel of the city government to the said office.
3. Full-time or part-time detail of existing personnel of other offices in the city government to the Sorsogon City Urban Poor and Housing Development Office.

4. Transfer of existing vacant positions from other units/departments to the said office. Accordingly, such vacant positions appropriate to the Sorsogon City Urban Poor and Housing Development Office shall be created for the purpose.

SECTION 5 APPROPRIATIONS

The City Government, in filling up the aforesaid position/s shall appropriate the corresponding funds for the salary and other monetary benefits and incentives allowed under the existing laws and administrative issuances relative thereto and provide necessary funding requisites for operation of the office.

SECTION 6 REPEALING CLAUSE

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

SECTION 7 SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

If for 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 8 EFFECTIVITY

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

DATE APPROVED : **November 22, 2022**

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution and ordinance.


ROVAN E. DOMASIAN
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:


MARK ERIC C. DIONEDA
City Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer

APPROVED:


MA. ESTER E. HAMOR
City Mayor