

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
BATANGAS CITY

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION HELD BY THE
MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF BATANGAS CITY
ON NOVEMBER 28, 2023 AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL

PRESENT:

Hon. Alyssa Renee A. Cruz	Presiding Officer
Hon. Hamilton G. Blanco,	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Karlos Emmanjuel A. Buted,	”
Hon. Nestor E. Dimacuha,	”
Hon. Oliver Z. Macatangay,	”
Hon. Nelson J. Chavez,	”
Hon. Jose Jonash Luis F. Tolentino,	”
Hon. Zester Carlo M. Hernandez,	”
Hon. Isidra “Ched” M. Atienza,	”
Hon. Lorenzo A. Gamboa, Jr.,	”
Hon. Michael C. Villena,	”
Hon. Angelito Dondon A. Dimacuha,	Liga ng mga Barangay President
Hon. Andrea Loise F. Macaraig, (On Leave)	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Armando C. Lazarte, (On Leave)	”
Hon. Marcus Manuel D. Castillo, (O.B.)	SK Pederasyon President

“On motion of SP Member Macatangay seconded by SP Member Nestor Dimacuha, the following Resolution was Adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 22-468 S. 2023

ADOPTING THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND APPROVING
ON SECOND AND FINAL READING THE BATANGAS CITY
MENTAL HEALTH ORDINANCE

RESOLVED, to adopt the Report of the Committee on Health and to approve on Second and Final Reading the Batangas City Mental Health Ordinance.


UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. ”

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 22-468 S. 2023 was approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City during its Regular Session held on November 28, 2023.



ATTY. OLIVA D. TELEGATOS
Secretary

ATTESTED:



ATTY. ALYSSA RENEE A. CRUZ
Presiding Officer

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COMMITTEE REPORT

**TO : THE HONORABLE PRESIDING OFFICER AND
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD MEMBERS**

FROM : COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

**SUBJECT : AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING BATANGAS CITY MENTAL
HEALTH POLICY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENHANCING THE DELIVERY OF
INTEGRATED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, PROMOTING AND PROTECTING
THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS UTILIZING PSYCHIATRIC, NEUROLOGIC AND
PSYCHOSOCIAL HEALTH SERVICES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

BACKGROUND

The aforementioned subject was referred to the Committee on Health on August 07, 2023.

The last Committee Hearing was held on September 12, 2023 for third reading at Sampaguita Farm Sampaga, Batangas City and in attendance were the following:

SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD MEMBERS

Hon. Atty. Alyssa Renee A. Cruz	City Vice Mayor and Presiding Officer
Hon. Oliver Z. Macatangay	Chairman – Committee on Health
Hon. Jose Jonash Luis F. Tolentino	Member – Committee on Health
Hon. Karlos Emmanuel A. Buted	Member – Committee on Health
Hon. Lorenzo A. Gamboa Jr.	Member – Committee on Health
Hon. Marjorie Manalo	Member – Committee on Health/ Ex-Officio/SK Federation President
Hon. Hamilton G. Blanco,	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Andrea Loise F. Macaraig	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
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Hon. Michael C. Villena	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Angelito “Dondon” A. Dimacuha	Ex-Officio/ABC President

PROPONENTS

Dra. Rosanna Carmelita Barrion
Atty. Shaira Camille Humarang
Hazel Magpantay
Dra. Imelda M. Martin
Dr. Normando B. Napenas
Rosanni Del Mundo
Mrs. Hiyasmin Candava
Mrs. Charity Nunez
Mr. Nelberth Magbanua
Dra. Belinda Sabellano

City Health Officer
City Legal Office - Representative
PMHA Representative
PMHA Representative
PMHA Chapter Chairperson
Colegio ng Lungsod ng Batangas
City Social Welfare Development Office
City Social Welfare Development Office
Local Youth Development Officer (LYDO)
DepEd Batangas City – Representative

DISCUSSIONS

During discussions, the committee scrutinized that mental health is defined as a state of well-being that enables people to cope with the stresses of life. The committee highlighted the prevalence of mental issues and the increase of suicides incident in Batangas City mostly during the last outbreak of Covid 19. Therefore, having such an ordinance will help for the urgent need to identify and help people who are vulnerable and experiencing depression. A public campaign is needed to prevent and remove the stigma attached to mental health problems by launching a mental awareness drive. And it's important for people to know and understand that having a mental health problems can be treated with proper care and professional attention.

The committee ensures that everyone's suggestions are incorporated to improve further the subject ordinance. And each of Sanggunian Council Members gave suggestions to include all activities they mentioned that will help for the mental health awareness of the City for the purpose of prevention in the Internal Rules and Regulations (IRR).

The committee also closely reviewed the budget allocation for this ordinance for its effective implementation that will help the people of the City of Batangas.

FINDINGS

After deliberations of this proposed ordinance, the committee and Sangguniang Panlungsod Members finds the following objectives:

(a) To strengthen effective leadership and governance for mental health by, among others, formulating, developing, and implementing national policies, strategies, programs, and regulations relating to mental health;

(b) Develop and establish a comprehensive, integrated effective and efficient national mental health care system responsive to the psychiatric, neurologic, and psychosocial needs of the people of Batangas City;

(c) Protect the rights and freedoms of persons with psychiatric, neurologic, and psychosocial needs;

(d) Strengthen information systems, evidence and research for mental health;

(e) Integrated mental health care in the basic health services; and

(f) Integrate strategies promoting mental health in educational institutions, the workplace, and in communities.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Considering the foregoing, the committee recommends the following:

1. Adoption of this Committee Report
2. Approval of the attached Proposed Ordinance on Final Reading.

Respectfully submitted, November 28, 2023.



HON. OLIVER Z. MACATANGAY
Chairman

HON. JOSE JONASH LUIS T. TOLENTINO
Member



HON. LORENZO A. GAMBOA JR
Member



HON. KARLOS EMMANJUEL A. BUTED
Member

HON. MARJORIE MANALO
Member/SK Federation President