



ORDINANCE NO. 22-06 S. 2024

AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING AND REGULATING THE USE OF THE BATANGAS CITY OFFICIAL SEAL, AND IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR UNOFFICIAL OR UNAUTHORIZED USE THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

AUTHOR : SP MEMBER JOSE JONASH LUIS F. TOLENTINO
CO-AUTHOR : SP MEMBER NESTOR E. DIMACUHA

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod recognizes the need to adopt, and regulate the use of the Batangas City Official Seal as it represents the principles and aspirations of the city;

WHEREAS, the Batangas City Official Seal is a significant symbol of the Local Government Unit of Batangas City, which is used by the City of Batangas in all its official documents and communications, and conveys, the official imprimatur of the City of Batangas;

WHEREAS, the Batangas City Official Seal shall be for official purposes only; including but not limited to all official documents of the city, materials, merchandise, equipment and documents of a program, project, event, and activity that is initiated and/or implemented exclusively by the City Government of Batangas;

WHEREAS, when members of the public see the Batangas City Official Seal on any communication or object, they are likely to believe, and do reasonably believe, that the person or entity displaying the Batangas City Official Seal is a government official or employee, department or adjunct of the City of Batangas, or that the communication or object has been approved by the City of Batangas;

WHEREAS, there have been reports that the Batangas City Official Seal has been used in personal, private, or commercial transactions, with the intent and/or the effect of misleading and confusing members of the public into believing that the private person or entity is acting as a representative of the City of Batangas;

WHEREAS, such fraudulent use of the Batangas City Official Seal puts the most vulnerable members of the public at financial and physical risk and creates a public safety danger;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Sangguniang Panlungsod in session duly assembled, ordains and decrees:

SECTION 1. TITLE. – This ordinance shall be known and cited as “**AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING AND REGULATING THE USE OF THE BATANGAS CITY OFFICIAL SEAL, AND IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR UNOFFICIAL OR UNAUTHORIZED USE THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**”

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. - The Batangas City Official Seal represents the history, culture, and potential of the place and its people. It has been used since 1999 through Resolution No. 240 S. 99 and symbolizes the “genetic code” of Batangas City, which is expressed in its rich culture and industry that reflect the community’s values and identity.

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SECTION 3. OFFICIAL SEAL OF BATANGAS CITY. - The seal hereinafter described, and used with or without colors, shall be and is hereby established, created and declared to be the official seal of the City of Batangas.

3.1 Description and Coloration. The logo of Batangas City with the color standards is shown below:



3.2 Symbolism. The rectangular shield is framed by the trunks of the tree called *batang* from which the name Batangas evolved. At the center is an open *balisong*, the fabled knife skillfully crafted by local artisans. On the left is the port of Batangas City, a strategic converging point of the region's commercial ventures. On the right are the industries mushrooming within the city. The fire tree, a symbol of the Batangueños passion for the possibilities of life.

3.3 Custodian. The General Services Office shall have charge of the seal of the city, and shall be held responsible for its custody, care and proper use. They shall be responsible for the registration and filing of the Official Seal to the National Historical Commission of the Philippines, or any other appropriate agencies.

SECTION 4. AUTHORIZED USE OF SEAL. - The City Government of Batangas shall use the official seal of Batangas City for the following authorized and allowable purpose:

- a. To represent the authority of the City of Batangas, and convey to the public that the document is an official communication, bearing the City's imprimatur;

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- b. To certify the official city records and instruments of the City of Batangas;
- c. To authenticate all public documents, administrative and executive issuances, and other official documents of the City of Batangas; and
- d. As letterhead in official communication or correspondence of the City of Batangas.

SECTION 5. PROHIBITION. – It shall be unlawful for any person, natural or juridical, to commit the following prohibited acts:

- a. To fraudulently forge, deface, corrupt, or counterfeit the Batangas City Official Seal, or cast contempt with the intention to dishonor or ridicule upon the Batangas City Official Seal;
- b. To use, manufacture, sell, and distribute the Batangas City Official Seal, with the intent to gain a privilege or advantage, or for commercial or business purposes, such as printing the Batangas City Official Seal in the form of stickers, stamps, business cards, passes, car plates, pins, clothing, tokens souvenirs and stationaries;
- c. To use the Batangas City Official Seal for fraudulent or false transactions purportedly done on behalf of the City of Batangas;
- d. To perform alteration, tamper, or vandalize the Batangas City Official Seal, or add any word, figure, mark picture, design, drawings, advertisement, or imprint of any nature to the Batangas City Official Seal, which causes or is likely to cause degradation on the seal;
- e. To affix the Batangas City Official Seal on private vehicles, equipment, merchandise, and various materials, without a letter of authority (LOA) from the City Mayor;
- f. To affix, depict, display, or post the Batangas City Official Seal, or replica thereof, on any document, thing, item, or material, in or within any internet website, or social media platform, except when authorized by an LOA from the City Mayor;
- g. To use or display the Official Seal as part of any advertisement or infomercial, except when undertaken by the City of Batangas, or when authorized by an LOA from the City Mayor;
- h. To use or display the Official Seal as part of seminar, conferences, research or any activity, except when undertaken by the City of Batangas, or when authorized by an LOA from the City Mayor; and
- i. Any other circumstances of a similar nature and analogous to those above-mentioned.

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SECTION 6. LETTER OF AUTHORITY. - The City Mayor shall authorize in writing the limited use of the Batangas City Official Seal, through the issuance of a Letter of Authority (LOA) for a specific purpose by any person or entity (applicant) when all of the following criteria are met:

- a. The use of the city seal, emblem, or logo, or any copy, facsimile or reproduction thereof, is for a city, local civic, local cultural, local charitable or other local non-profit, non-political purpose;
- b. The applicant agrees not to use the Batangas City Official Seal for commercial or other purposes not otherwise allowed by this section, or for any political purpose;
- c. The applicant must submit to the City Mayor a satisfactory sample or image of any document, item, material, or website page upon which the Batangas City Official Seal is to be used, and objective evidence of good quality and workmanship, or high production standards, as applicable, is presented, establishing that the use of the Batangas City Official Seal will not:
 - i. Discredit or impair the integrity of City of Batangas and the Batangas City Official Seal;
 - ii. Cause discredit or ridicule to the City of Batangas in any manner;
 - iii. Put the City of Batangas in a false light; or
 - iv. Falsely imply that the applicant is an employee, officer, or agent of the City of Batangas.

SECTION 7. PENALTY CLAUSE. - Any violation of this Ordinance shall be punishable

by:

- a. First Offense - fine of not more than Php 1,000
- b. Second Offense - fine of not more than Php 2,000
- c. Third Offense - fine of not more than Php 3,000

SECTION 8. MODIFICATION. - The Batangas City Official Seal shall not be modified unless through the enactment of an ordinance modifying the same, provided that any modification shall be done only once every ten (10) years;

SECTION 9. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. - If any part of this Ordinance is declared invalid, unconstitutional or unlawful, such declaration shall not affect nor impair the remaining provisions, sections, or parts thereof, which shall remain or continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 10. REPEALING CLAUSE. - All provisions of Ordinance, executive orders, or resolutions inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and or modified accordingly.

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SECTION 11. EFFECTIVITY. – This Ordinance shall take effect 10 days after approval by the City Mayor and publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the province and cities of Batangas.

ENACTED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod this 7th day of May, 2024.

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ATTY. OLIVAD. TELEGATOS
Secretary

ATTESTED:

[Signature]
ATTY. ALYSSA RENEE A. CRUZ
Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

[Signature]
BEVERLEY ROSE A. DIMACUHA
City Mayor

Date Approved: MAY 15 2024



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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION HELD BY THE
MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF BATANGAS CITY
ON MAY 7, 2024 AT THE SANGGUNIANG SESSION HALL

PRESENT:

Hon. Alyssa Renee A. Cruz	Presiding Officer
Hon. Hamilton G. Blanco,	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Karlos Emmanjuel A. Buted,	"
Hon. Andrea Loise F. Macaraig,	"
Hon. Nestor E. Dimacuha,	"
Hon. Oliver Z. Macatangay,	"
Hon. Armando C. Lazarte,	"
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. Marcus Manuel D. Castillo.	SK Pederasyon President

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

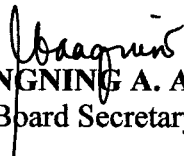
RESOLUTION NO. 22-229 S. 2024

APPROVING ON SECOND AND FINAL READING THE ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING
AND REGULATING THE USE OF THE BATANGAS CITY OFFICIAL SEAL AND
IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR UNOFFICIAL OR UNAUTHORIZED USE THEREOF
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RESOLVED, to approve on Second and Final Reading the ordinance entitled: "An Ordinance Prescribing and Regulating the Use of the Batangas City Official Seal and Imposing Penalties for Unofficial or Unauthorized Use Thereof and for Other Purposes."

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED."

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 22-229 S. 2024 was approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City during its Regular Session held on May 7, 2024.


LUNINGNING A. AQUINO
Board Secretary III

NOTED: 
ATTY. OLIVA D. TELEGATOS
Secretary

ATTESTED:
ATTY. ALYSSA RENEE A. CRUZ
Presiding Officer



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COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE : April 25, 2024

FROM : THE COMMITTEE ON LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS

TO : THE HONORABLE VICE MAYOR & PRESIDING OFFICER ATTY. ALYSSA RENEE A. CRUZ AND THE HONORABLE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD MEMBERS

SUBJECT : RESOLUTION NO. 22-193 S. 2024
PROPOSED ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING THE USE OF THE BATANGAS CITY OFFICIAL SEAL AND IMPOSING PENALTY FOR UNOFFICIAL OR UNAUTHORIZED USE THEREOF

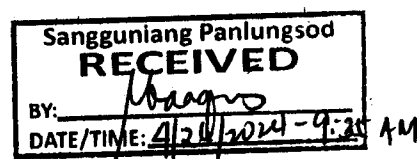
Gentlemen and Mesdames,

Referred to the Committee on Laws, Rules and Regulations is the aforementioned subject. Present during the Committee Hearing held on April 18, 2024 at exactly 9:00 a.m. in the Sangguniang Panlungsod Session Hall are the Committee Chairman Nestor "Boy" E. Dimacuha, and members, Councilor Nelson J. Chavez and Councilor Isidra M. Atienza. Also present are the following SP Members: Honorable Vice Mayor Alyssa Renee A. Cruz, Councilor Andrea F. Macaraig, Oliver Z. Macatangay, Jonash F. Tolentino, Zester M. Hernandez, Lorenzo A. Gamboa, Jr. Invited guests who attended the hearing are Atty. Delsie Falculan – City Legal Office, Mrs. Annalyn G. Faytaren – City Administrator Office, Mrs. Severina A. Rosales – City Library Office.

During the said hearing, the author SP Member Dr. Jonash F. Tolentino formally presented the Proposed Ordinance Prescribing the Use of the Batangas City Official Seal and Imposing Penalty for Unofficial or Unauthorized Use Thereof.

It was confidently and eloquently discussed asserting the need to adopt and regulate the used of the Batangas City Official Seal as it represents the principles and aspirations of City. Cascades of questions, inquires and suggestions were succinctly raised not to find fault but to certainly fill the void in laying the rules for its effective implementation for the utmost consideration of the principal author.

- (a.) Inclusion of a proviso describing the Official Seal Batangas, it's symbolism and custody. (See Attached Revised Copy)





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Considering the veracity of the report, the Committee recommends the following:

1. Adoption of the Committee Report.
2. **The Proposed Ordinance Prescribing the Use of the Batangas City Official Seal and Imposing penalty for Unofficial or Unauthorized Use Thereof.**

Be schedule on second reading, in any convenient time available the author is ready in the regular session of Sangguniang Panlungsod.

Respectfully submitted, April 30, 2024:

HON. NESTOR "BOY" E. DIMACUHA
Committee Chairman
Committee Laws, Rules and Regulations

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