

Republic of the Philippines MUNICIPALITY OF PANIQUI

Province of Tarlac

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF PANIQUI, TARLAC FOR THE TERM YEAR 2019-2022 HELD ON APRIL 22, 2020 AT THE SB SESSION HALL

PRESENT: Hon. Aida D. Roxas II-Vice Mayor-Presiding Officer

Hon. Felomina F. Bravo, member-Majority Floor Leader

Hon. Christian Alfred F. Cuchapin-member

Hon. Javerne C. Santillan, member

Hon. Charo G. Oca, member-Minority Floor Leader

Hon. Nestor B. Castro, member

Hon. Rachilda Myra O. Garcia, member

Hon. Robert J. Torio, member

Hon. Mary Anne B. Fernandez, member

Hon. Linda B. Manuel (ABC Pres.), Ex-Officio member Hon. Karl Bernard M. Obcena (SK Pres), Ex-Officio member

ABSENT: None

ORDINANCE NO. 002-s2020

"AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE MANDATORY USE OF FACE MASK AND SOCIAL DISTANCING IN PUBLIC"

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article II of the Constitution that is the State Policy, to protect and promote the right of health to people;

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, Proclamation no. 992 and No. 929 has declared the State of Public Health Emergency and State of Calamity respectively, throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the said Presidential Proclamation would facilitate the implementation of the relevant provisions of RA No. 11332, otherwise known as the "Mandatory Reporting of Notifiable Diseases and Health Events of Public Health Concern" to address the COVID 19 threat, including but not limited to, quarantine and disease control prevention measures;

WHEREAS, the said Presidential Proclamation provide that "all government agencies and local government unit (LGU) are hereby enjoined to render full assistance and cooperation and mobilize the necessary resources to undertake critical, urgent and appropriate response and in a timely manner to curtail and eliminate to COVID-19 threat and would capacitate government agencies and LGU to immediately act to prevent loss of life, utilize appropriate resources to implement urgent and critical measures to contain or prevent the spread of COVID-19, mitigate its effect and impact to the community and prevent serious disruption to the functioning of the community and community;

WHEREAS, pertinent portion of Section 4(g) "Bayanihan to Heal as One" Act (RA No. 11649) seek to ensure that all Local Government Unit (LGU) are acting with the letter and spirit of all the rules, regulations, and directives issued by the National Government pursuant to this Act are implementing standards of Community Quarantine consistent with what the National Government has laid down for the subject area while allowing LGU to continue exercising their authority on matters identified by the National Government are or within the parameters it has set are fully cooperating towards a unified, cohesive and orderly implementation of the national policy to address COVID-19;

WHEREAS, in accordance with foregoing, and with the General Welfare Clause of RA 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991" for efficient and effective governance. The Municipality of Paniqui shall enforce laws, orders and ordinances relative to the governance of the municipality;

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WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020 the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Tarlac under Resolution No. 056-2020 passed the Resolution Declaring a State of Calamity in the entire Province of Tarlac and for other purposes, following the sharp increase number of confirmed COVID-19 cases throughout the country;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Governor, issued E.O. No. 10 imposing a Province-wide Extreme Enhanced Community Quarantine (EECQ);

WHEREAS, Inter-Agency Task Force of Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF)-EID), adopt a policy of mandatory wearing of face mask and social distancing by all residents placed under EECQ;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF PANIQUI, PROVINCE OF TARLAC, IN SESSION ASSEMBLED, TO ENACT AN ORDINANCE "REQUIRING THE MANDATORY USE OF FACE MASK AND SOCIAL DISTANCING IN PUBLIC"

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Paniqui, Tarlac, that:

Section 1. This Ordinance shall be known as "ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE MANDATORY USE OF FACE MASK AND SOCIAL DISTANCING IN PUBLIC"

Section 2. Mandatory Use of Face Mask in Public - All persons who are within the territorial jurisdiction of the municipality of Paniqui are hereby mandated to use face mask while outside of their residences, offices, and all other public places. The face mask must sufficiently cover one's nose and mouth and must worn at all times.

Section 3. Mandatory Observed of Social/Physical Distancing - All persons who are in public places such as markets, supermarkets, boutique and other places of convergences are adhere/observed at least one (1) meter distancing.

Section 4. Face Masks Allowed. – Face mask include ear loop masks, indigenous reusable or do-it yourself mask, handkerchiefs, or such other protective equipment that can be effectively lessen the transmission of COVID-19.

Section 5. Penalties. – Persons in violation of this ordinance may be arrested and charged under (i) Section 9 of RA 11332, otherwise known as the "Mandatory Reporting of Notifiable Diseases and Health Events of Public Health Concern Act" which penalizes non-cooperation of persons and entities that should report and/or respond to notifiable disease or health events of public concern and shall be penalized by a fine of not more than Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P2,500.00) or imprisonment of not less than one (1) month but not more than Six (6) months, or both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the proper court, and/or (ii) Article 151 of the Revised Penal Code (Resistance and Disobedience to Agent of Person in Authority).

Section 6. Repealing Clause. All other orders, rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 7. Separability Clause. Any parts of this ordinance that is declared null and void shall not have any effect on the entirety of this ordinance.

Section 8. Effectivity. This ordinance shall take effect immediately, all subject to monitoring, assessment and review, and shall remain in force unless hereinafter revoked.

Executive Order

CARRIED.

ATTESTED:

HON. AIDA D. ROXAS II

Municipal Vice-Mayor

APPROVED:

LEONARDO M. ROXAS

Municipal Mayor

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CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Secretary to the Sanggunian