

**SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
GENERAL SANTOS CITY**

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-209

Submitted by the **COMMITTEES ON ON YOUTH AFFAIRS, SPORTS DEVELOPMENT AND PHYSICAL FITNESS**

Date of Hearing: July 31, 2017

Re: SPPO NO. 1718-0130

RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF ITEM NO. 1

Authors: Hon. Alberto D. Pacquiao, Hon. Dominador S. Lagare, Jr., Hon. Franklin M. Gacal, Jr., Hon. Elizabeth B. Bagonoc and Hon. Rosalita T. Nuñez; **Co-Authors:** Hon. Tan and Hon. Congson

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The abovementioned Committee to which was referred the following:

TITLE	RECOMMENDATION
SPPO NO. 1718-0130: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A COMPREHENSIVE YOUTH WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT CODE IN THE CITY OF GENERAL SANTOS, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. <i>(Hon. Pacquiao, Hon. Lagare, Jr., Hon. Gacal, Jr., Hon. Bagonoc and Hon. Nuñez – Authors; Hon. Tan and Hon. Congson – Co-Authors)</i>	APPROVED AS AMENDED – FOR SECOND READING

has considered the same and has the honor to report it back to the August Body with the foregoing recommendation.

Respectfully submitted:

ALBERTO D. PACQUIAO
City Councilor & Chairperson



MINUTES OF THE HEARING OF THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AFFAIRS, SPORTS DEVELOPMENT AND PHYSICAL FITNESS OF THE 18TH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD, CITY OF GENERAL SANTOS.

Monday, July 31, 2017

2:14 P.M. - 4:17 P.M

Sangguniang Panlungsod Session Hall
Legislative Building, City of General Santos

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Hon. Alberto D. Pacquiao (*Chairperson*), Hon. Elizabeth B. Bagonoc (*Ex-Officio Member*), Hon. Jose Orlando R. Acharon

GUEST/RESOURCE PERSONS: *See attached attendance sheet.*

AGENDUM: SPPO NO. 1718-0130: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A COMPREHENSIVE YOUTH WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT CODE IN THE CITY OF GENERAL SANTOS, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. (*Hon. Pacquiao, Hon. Lagare, Jr., Hon. Gacal, Jr., Hon. Bagonoc and Hon. Nuñez – Authors; Hon. Tan and Hon. Congson – Co-Authors*)

The committee hearing was called to order by its chairperson, City Councilor Alberto D. Pacquiao. It was followed with a short prayer led by Mr. Elmer Cequiña and the acknowledgment of everyone's presence by Hon. Casabuena. After which, the body proceeded to the discussion of amendments introduced on the proposed ordinance.

On **Section 31, letter c**, Health Policies which was already approved in the previous hearing, Mr. Fitzgerald Carmona moved for reconsideration to introduce some amendments. First amendment is the insertion of the words "and health services" between "orientations" and "to" in Letter c.1, to read as: *The City Government of General Santos through the City Hospital shall provide check-ups, free health orientations **and health services** to youth especially on health issues concerning them.*

Hon. Acharon informed that the services given by the City Health Office are different from the services rendered by the laboratory of the City Hospital since the latter has a MOA with the private sector.

Additional amendments on Section 31 are the following:

- 8. The City Government of General Santos shall formulate standard protocols and guidelines in providing health services to youth to ensure that programs and services offered are youth friendly.**
- 9. The City Government of General Santos shall provide training on the provisions of youth-friendly health services to health workers.**

AMENDMENTS - APPROVED

Under **Section 32**, Mr. Leo Martin Ellan suggested to insert the phrase "**who are**" between the words "citizens" and "able." The acronym "**(PYAP)**" was inserted after the word "Philippines" as proposed by Mr. Jaypee Roaquin. The chair ruled the said amendments approved.

APPROVED

Sections 33 to 35- APPROVED

As regards U4U as stated in Section 35, it was clarified by Hon. Casabuena that this refers to the campaign on the prevention of early sex among teenagers to avoid teenage pregnancy.

Section 36 - APPROVED

On **Section 37**, the following amendments were introduced:

- Under letter **d**, the word "advisement" be changed to "**advised**";
- On letter **h**, the word "affinity" be reworded into "**affiliation**".

APPROVED

Under **Section 38**, the acronym "**(GSCLYDC)**" was inserted after the word "Council."

APPROVED

Concerning **Section 39, letter b. Qualifications of the GSC Junior Officials, no. 2, High school students age 14 to 17 years old**, Mr. John Michael Macaya from GSCNHS suggested to amend the age into 14 to 18 years old, to consider the senior high school. Mr. Cequiña said that when the proposed ordinance was crafted in 2015, the senior high school was not yet implemented.

Relative to the plan of Barangay Dadiangas West of creating barangay junior officials, Brgy. Kagawad Santiago asked about age qualification, to which Mr. Cequiña advised to make their own or use the same mechanics of the proposed ordinance. In fact, other municipalities and provinces copied the practice of the city.

Mr. Roaquin apprised the body about the three categories of the youth, as follows: *Adolescent youth*: ages 15-17 years old; *Core youth*: ages 18-24 years old; and *Adult youth*: ages 25-30 years old. He then proposed to amend the age qualification into 15-18 years old. Mr. Cequiña interjected that with that age bracket, the first year high school students will be deprived because when the junior official program ordinance was crafted in 1999, the high school students were considered due to the clamor that programs are mostly for the college students.

Thereafter, the chair ruled the amendment "**13-18 years old**" approved.

APPROVED

Regarding **Section 39, letter b, no. 3, Must belong to the school's honors list or the student supreme government**, Mr. Sodista from Barangay Fatima and Hon. Casabuena were of the same opinion that the qualification should not limit to the students under the honors list since there are students who are qualified even without honor but with potential to become a leader, and to avoid discrimination. However, Mr. Noval from Dadiangas South pointed out that it is not discrimination because there will

be academic examination in coming up with the top 25 and it's the principal who indorses the 10 participants of every school.

Mr. Cequiña clarified that this is for the purpose of obtaining quality applicants but there is a rider that those who are not in the honors list must be officers of the student supreme government. Moreover, the principal was the one who indorses the 10 students as representative of the school to take the examination. Only the top 25 will undergo the interview.

With the proposal of Hon. Acharon and Mr. Noval to extend the time of junior officials if possible during summer to extend the training since one week is too short, Mr. Cequiña manifested that during the consultation, the principals did not allow the same.

In line with the Anti-Discrimination Ordinance, the amendment approved was: **"Must belong to the following category but not limited to the school's honors list, the student supreme government or officers of school clubs and organizations."**

Concerning Section 39, *letter c, no. 4*, Mr. Sodista from Barangay Fatima wanted to increase it to top 30 or top 40 so as not to deprive those non-academic students but with potential in public speaking. Mr. Cequiña believed that this would however dilute the purpose of the program of acquiring the best students. With the 200 applicants, it is a disaster to allow 50 interviewees in one setting.

AMENDMENTS - APPROVED

Sections 40 to 44 - APPROVED

Thereafter, the chair ruled the proposed ordinance approved as amended on committee level and to be calendared for second reading on August 15, 2017 regular session.

APPROVED AS AMENDED – FOR SECOND READING

There being no more matter to be discussed, the committee hearing was adjourned at 4:17 in the afternoon.

COMMITTEE HEARING – ADJOURNED

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