



Republic of the Philippines
 PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN
 City of Tuguegarao

EIGHTH CITY COUNCIL



EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 38th REGULAR SESSION
 OF THE EIGHTH CITY COUNCIL OF TUGUEGARAO CITY, CAGAYAN
 HELD ON APRIL 30, 2020, IN LIEU OF APRIL 28, 2020, THURSDAY, 9:00 A.M.,
 AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL

PRESENT:

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| Hon. Bienvenido C. De Guzman II | City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer |
| Hon. Maila Rosario T. Que | Sangguniang Panlungsod Member |
| Hon. Gilbert S. Labang | -do- |
| Hon. Ronald S. Ortiz | -do- |
| Hon. Arnel T. Arugay | -do- |
| Hon. Mary Marjorie P. Martin-Chan | -do- |
| Hon. Grace B. Arago | -do- |
| Hon. Raymund P. Guzman | -do- |
| Hon. Winnoco R. Abraham | -do- |
| Hon. Karina S. Gauani | -do- |
| Hon. Victor Herbert N. Perez | -do- |
| Hon. Gil G. Pagulayan | Ex Officio Member (Liga ng mga Barangay President) |
| Hon. Karen L. Taguinod | Ex Officio Member (SK Federation President) |

ABSENT:

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| Hon. Imogen Claire M. Callangan | Sangguniang Panlungsod Member (on Leave) |
| Hon. Danilo L. Baccay | Sangguniang Panlungsod Member |

CITY ORDINANCE NO. 21-08-2020

AN ORDINANCE MANDATING THE ESTABLISHMENT, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC HANDWASHING/HYGIENE STATIONS/FOOT BATHS AND DISINFECTANT SOLUTIONS IN ALL PUBLIC PLACES AND PRIVATE ESTABLISHMENTS IN TUGUEGARAO CITY AND PROVIDING FUNDS AND PENALTIES THEREOF

- Sponsors:**
- Hon. Bienvenido C. De Guzman II**
 - Hon. Raymund P. Guzman**
 - Hon. Gil G. Pagulayan**
 - Hon. Ronald S. Ortiz**
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WHEREAS, Article II, Section 15 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution states that it is the State's policy to protect and promote the right to health of the people;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the *Local Government Code of 1991*, states that "*the Local Government Units are authorized to exercise powers necessary, appropriate or incidental for its efficient and effective governance and those which are essential to the promotion of general welfare;*"

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) as a pandemic and in response thereto, President Rodrigo R. Duterte issued Proclamation No. 922 declaring the Philippines under a State of Public Health Emergency;

WHEREAS, a State of Public Health Emergency has been locally declared in Tuguegarao City by virtue of Executive Order No. 15-2020, City Resolution No. 97-08-2020 and CDRRMC Resolution No. 02-2020;

WHEREAS, following the issuance of the Memorandum on March 16, 2020 titled *Community Quarantine over the entire Luzon and further Guidelines for the Management of the Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) situation*, Executive Order No. 28 was issued to implement strict home quarantine in all households in Tuguegarao City;

WHEREAS, as a measure to avoid the spread and transmission of the deadly CORONA VIRUS-19 and other contagious and airborne diseases, and to promote personal hygiene, cleanliness and sanitation among the city residents, public hand hygiene stations, foot baths and disinfectant solutions in all public places and private establishments shall be established, maintained and operated;

WHEREAS, hands often act as disease carriers from person to person, either through direct contact or indirectly by touching other people's hand, hair, nose and face. In addition, hands that have been in contact with human or animal feces, body fluids like nasal excretions, and contaminated tangible things, foods or water can transport bacteria, viruses and parasites to unwilling hosts/human beings;

WHEREAS, hand washing has many health benefits including minimizing the spread of influenza, coronavirus and other infectious diseases, preventing infectious causes of diarrhea, decreasing respiratory infections and reducing infant mortality rate at home birth deliveries;

WHEREAS, hand washing with soap works by interrupting the transmission of disease. In fact, scientific studies reveal that washing hands with soap can prevent diarrhea (which includes typhoid and cholera), acute respiratory infections (including SARS and bird flu), eye infections, among other diseases;

WHEREAS, the Corona Virus-19 is very fragile, the only thing that protects it is a thin layer of Fat, that is why any soap or detergent is the best remedy because the foam ("bula") cuts the fat. By dissolving the Fat Layer, the protein molecule disperses and breaks down on its own.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it **ORDAINED** by the Sangguniang Panlungsod in session duly assembled, that:

Section 1. Title. This Ordinance shall be known as "*An Ordinance Mandating the Establishment, Operation and Maintenance of Public Hand Washing/Hygiene Stations/Foot Baths and Disinfectant Solutions in all Public Places and Private Establishments in Tuguegarao City and Providing Funds and Penalties Thereof.*"

Section 2. Definition of Terms.

- a. **Hand Washing** (or handwashing), also known as hand hygiene, is the act of cleaning one's hands for the purpose of removing soil, grease, microorganisms or other unwanted substances.
- b. **Handwashing Station** is a dedicated, convenient location where both soap and water are available for hand washing and are associated with improved handwashing practices.
- c. **Foot Bath** is a small container such as basin or shallow pool, for washing or disinfecting the feet.
- d. **Disinfectant solutions** are agents that free infection; are chemicals that destroy vegetative forms of harmful microorganisms (such as bacteria and fungi) especially on inanimate objects but that may be less effective in destroying spores.
- e. **Private Establishment** is a building, structure or portion thereof that is owned, leased, controlled or operated by a non-governmental entity for a non-governmental purpose.
- f. **Public Places** shall refer to, but not limited to, alleys, city streets, sidewalks, easements, walls, public landmarks, schools, churches, hospitals, business establishments, plazas, public terminals. Public markets, other open spaces, bridges, rivers, creeks, canals, drainages, esteros and other similar public places within the City of Tuguegarao.
- g. **Soap** is any cleansing agent used in conjunction with water for washing and cleaning, which is either in solid bar or liquid.



Section 3. Coverage. All government offices and private business establishments allowed to operate during the enhanced community quarantine in Tuguegarao City and thereafter shall establish a public hand washing/hygiene stations, foot baths and disinfectant solutions for their clients and customers, and that water and soap should be provided by the establishments.

Section 4. Penalties. Any head of government office, establishment or owner of the establishment found violating this ordinance is liable to pay the following:

- First Offense - a fine of Five Hundred Pesos (P500.00)
- Second Offense - a fine of One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00)
- Third Offense - a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00)

Section 5. Implementing Agency. The City Health Office (CHO), Business Permits and Licensing Office (PBPLO), City Disaster and Risk Reduction Management Office (CDRRMO) are hereby directed to strictly enforce, implement and formulate rules and regulations to carry out the provision of this ordinance.

Section 6. Dissemination. The City Health Office and the City Information Office shall make the public be aware of this ordinance by conducting public forum, news or information dissemination as well as through posters and tarpaulins.

Section 7. Appropriation. The establishment, operation and maintenance of public handwashing/hygiene stations/foot baths and disinfectant solutions in all public places shall be included in the annual budget and any supplemental budgets while government offices and private establishments shall make use of their funds for this purpose.

Section 8. Public Hearing. This ordinance is enacted under unusual and extreme condition the country is experiencing in general and Tuguegarao City in particular as declared by the National Government through a number of proclamation orders and other rules and regulations promulgated by His Excellency President Rodrigo Duterte and the Provincial Government, hence, the public hearing shall be dispensed with.

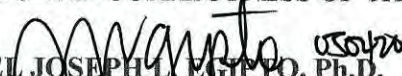
Section 9. Separability Clause. If any section or provision of this Ordinance is declared illegal or unconstitutional, other section/s and or provision/s hereof which are not affected shall continue to be in full force and in effect.

Section 10. Repealing Clause. All ordinances, resolutions, memoranda or executive orders not consistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.

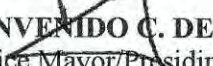
Section 11. Effectivity Clause. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE CORRECTNESS OF THE FOREGOING:


JOEL JOSEPH L. EGIPYO, Ph.D.
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


HON. BIENVENIDO C. DE GUZMAN II
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer
Date: _____

APPROVED:


HON. ATTY. JEFFERSON P. SORIANO
City Mayor
Date: 05 08 20

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