

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR City of Naga



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2018 - 008

REQUESTING THE NAGA CITY PEOPLE'S COUNCIL (NCPC) TO ASSIST THE CITY IN THE JUDICIOUS IMPLEMENTATION OF CITY ORDINANCE NO. 2017-072, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE PEOPLE'S BUDGET ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NAGA":-

WHEREAS, the People's Budget Ordinance of the City of Naga seeks to ensure that the Annual Budget and other appropriation ordinances of the City Government of Naga and the Barangay Governments within its territorial jurisdiction are responsive to the needs of their respective constituents and are prepared and approved through a transparent, consultative, efficient and participatory process;

WHEREAS, said ordinance further strengthens transparency and people participation in governance in the City of Naga as it has intitutionalized processes and procedures that shall govern the preparation and approval of the annual budget and other appropriation ordinances to ensure that public expenditures are reflective of the people's priorities;

WHEREAS, in faithful adherence to the principles of good governance, the budget of the government is a strong instrument for enforcing public accountability of government officers. Thus, a good budget has to be, not only adhering to the aforementioned fundamental tenets but should also be primarily be truly responsive to the needs of the people. In order to achieve this purpose, the budgeting process itself requires that the same must not only be efficient but should also be transparent and participatory;

WHEREAS, a good budget process requires active engagement and participation of the people as government has long recognized that it would be more efficient and responsive if the people were given the power and responsibility to decide on goods and services that they need as they are the ones in the best position to determine just what exactly are these;

WHEREAS, the Naga City People's Council (NCPC) is the recognized partner of the City of Naga under Ordinance 95-092, otherwise known as the Naga City Empowerment Ordinance;

WHEREAS, Ordinance 17-092 specifically states the indispensable role of NCPC in budget preparation of the City and the barangays within its jurisdiction;

concerned stakeholders. All public consultations should be completed on or before July 15 of each year.

- 2. Issue certification on the conduct of public consultations as a prerequisite in the submission of the departmental plan and budget to the City Budget Office. In case no consultation was conducted, NCPC should write to the City Budget Officer the reason why no consultation was conducted, copy furnished to the City Mayor and the members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod.
- 3. NCPC shall convene and facilitate the presentation of the Consolidated Proposed Annual Budget of the City Government on or before July 30 of each year.
- The NCPC and the City Planning and Development Office shall jointly submit to the undersigned the dates and schedule of public consultations of the departmental budgets not later than 15th of March of each year.
- 5. The Chairperson of NCPC is required to affix his or her signature especially in the list of outputs/results of the conducted departmental/sectoral budget consultations in the Proposed Annual Budget of the City.
- 6. NCPC is likewise mandated to come up with the implementing mechanisms. These implementing mechanisms should be presented to the Liga ng mga Barangay for their adoption. Once adopted, a copy of said mechanism shall be forwarded to the Office of the City Mayor, the City Budget Office, the City Planning and Development Office and the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

Section 4. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 8th Day of May, 2018 in the City of Naga, Philippines.

JOHN G. BONGAT City Mayor

Attested by:

FLORENCIO T. MONGOSO, JR. CSEE Department Head II and City Administrator **NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN G. BONGAT**, Mayor of the City of Naga, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Law, do hereby order the adoption of mechanisms for the implementation of People's Budget Ordinance of the City of Naga, as follows:

Section 1. **PURPOSE.** The program seeks to ensure that the Annual Budget Ordinance and other appropriation ordinances of the City Government of Naga and the Barangay Governments within its territorial jurisdiction are responsive to the needs of their respective constituents and are prepared and approved through a transparent, efficient and participatory process.

Section 2. **<u>GUIDING PRINCIPLES.</u>** In the preparation of the annual budget and other appropriations ordinances, the following principles shall be strictly adhered to:

- Public funds shall be allocated or expended only for public purpose or public use which must be clearly defined or described under the appropriation measure;
- The Annual Budget or any appropriation ordinance shall be responsive to the situation of the community as reflected in the Community-Based Monitoring System or other repository of data/information on community situation;
- 3. The constituents of the City/Barangay have been given the opportunity to comment on the budget as such comments have been duly considered by the approving authority prior to the latter's final action thereon.
- 4. The Annual Budget or any appropriation ordinance is the lifeblood of the Local Development Plan and the Annual Investment Plan (AIP) formulated in consultation with the respective constituents of the City Government of Naga and of the barangay within its territorial jurisdiction.

Section 3. **ROLE OF NCPC**. As stated in Ordinance 17-072, the Naga City People's Council (NCPC) is hereby mandated to assist pursuant to the following role:

1. Departmental/Sectoral Consultation convened by NCPC. Prior to the submission of the proposed budget by the different Departments of the City Government of Naga for consolidation by the City Budget Officer, the department heads shall present to the public the proposed Annual Plan and Budget of their respective departments through consultations with the public convened and facilitated by the NCPC. The public consultation shall be so organized and structured as to ensure participation of