

ORDINANCE NO . 2014-018
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**AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE NAGA CITY DISASTER RISK
REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OFFICE SUBJECT TO ALL LAWS
AND EXISTING LEGAL RULES AND REGULATIONS AND PROVIDING
FUNDS THEREOF : .**

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WHEREAS, it is the declared policy of the City of Naga to uphold, adopt and incorporate people’s constitutional rights to life and property by addressing the root causes of vulnerabilities to disasters, strengthening the City’s institutional capacity for disaster risk reduction and management and building the resilience of local communities to disasters including the impacts of climate change;

WHEREAS, the City of Naga has experienced natural and human-induced hazards/disasters which have caused extensive harm to life and damage to properties;

WHEREAS, under R.A. 10121, the LGUs are enjoined to “adopt” a disaster risk reduction and management approach that is holistic, comprehensive, integrated, and proactive in lessening the socioeconomic and environmental impacts of disasters, including climate change, and promote the involvement and participation of all stakeholders concerned at all levels, especially the local community;

WHEREAS, consistent with the declared policy under Republic Act 10121, the City Government of Naga shall make an effort to develop and strengthen the capacities of vulnerable and marginalized groups to mitigate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from the effects of disaster;

WHEREAS, R.A. 10121 Section 12 states that there shall be an established Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (LDRRMO) in every province, city and municipality, which shall be responsible for setting the directions, development, implementation and coordination of disaster risk management programs within their territorial jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, R.A 7160 Section 3(b) states that there shall be established in every local government unit an accountable, efficient, and dynamic organizational structure and operating mechanism that will meet the priority needs and service requirements of its communities and 3 (h) there shall be a continuing mechanism to enhance local autonomy not only by legislative enabling acts but also by administrative and organizational reforms;

WHEREAS, R.A. 7160 Section 76 states that every local government unit shall design and implement its own organizational structure and staffing pattern taking into consideration its service requirements and financial capability subject to the minimum standards and guidelines prescribed by the Civil Service Commission;

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga , that :

SECTION 1. TITLE – This ordinance shall be known as “An Ordinance creating the Naga City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office and providing funds thereof”;

SECTION 2. CREATION – There is hereby created the Naga City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (NCDRRMO), a division under the Office of the City Mayor;

SECTION 3. FUNCTIONS – The Naga City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (NCDRRMO) shall perform the following functions with impartiality given the emerging challenges brought about by disaster and risks;

- (1) Serve as the Secretariat and executive arm of the Naga City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NCDRRMC);
- (2) Design, program, and coordinate disaster risk reduction and management activities consistent with the National Council’s standards and guidelines;
- (3) Facilitate and support risk assessments and contingency planning activities at the local level;
- (4) Consolidate local disaster risk information which includes natural hazards, vulnerabilities, and climate change risks, and maintain a local risk map;
- (5) Organize and conduct training, orientation, and knowledge management activities on disaster risk reduction and management at the local level;
- (6) Operate a multi-hazard early warning system, linked to disaster risk reduction to provide accurate and timely advice to national or local emergency response organizations and to the general public, through diverse mass media, particularly radio, landline communications, and technologies for communication within rural communities;
- (7) Formulate and implement a comprehensive and – integrated City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Plan (CDRRMP) in accordance with the national, regional framework, and policies on disaster risk reduction in close coordination with the City Development Councils (CDCs);
- (8) Prepare and submit to the local sanggunian through the Naga City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NCDRRMC) and the City Development Council the annual CDRRMO Plan and budget, the proposed programming of the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund (CDRRMF), other dedicated disaster risk reduction and management resources, and other regular funding source/s and budgetary support of the NCDRRMO;
- (9) Conduct continuous disaster monitoring and mobilize instrumentalities and entities of the LGUs, CSOs, private groups and organized volunteers, to utilize their facilities and resources for the protection and preservation of life and properties during emergencies in accordance with existing policies and procedures;
- (10) Identify, assess and manage the hazards vulnerabilities and risks that may occur in their locality;
- (11) Disseminate information and raise public awareness about hazards, vulnerabilities and risks, their nature, effects early warning signs, counter-measures and programs and initiatives of the City for disaster risk reduction and management;

- (12) Identify and implement cost-effective risk reduction measures/strategies;
- (13) Maintain a database of human resource, equipment, directories, and location of critical infrastructures and their capacities such as hospitals and evacuation centers;
- (14) Develop, strengthen and operationalize mechanisms for partnership or networking with the private sector, CSOs, and volunteer groups;
- (15) Take all necessary steps on a continuing basis to maintain, provide, or arrange the provision of, or to otherwise make an available, suitability-trained and competent personnel for effective civil defense and disaster risk reduction and management in its area;
- (16) Organize, train, equip, mobilize and supervise the local emergency response teams (Naga City Rescue) and Accredited Community Disaster Volunteers (ACDV), ensuring that humanitarian aid workers are equipped with basic skills to assist mothers to breastfeed;
- (17) Respond to and manage the adverse effects of emergencies and carry out recovery activities in the affected area, ensuring that there is an efficient mechanism for immediate delivery of food, shelter and medical supplies for women and children, endeavor to create a special place where internally-displaced mothers can find help with breastfeeding, feed and care for their babies and give support to each other;
- (18) Develop and Strengthen the capacities of vulnerable and marginalized groups to mitigate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from the effects of disasters;
- (19) Adopt and implement a coherent , comprehensive, responsive disaster risk reduction programs incorporated in the programs of Persons with special needs , programs that will assist them in becoming resilient and develop their own response mechanism , and involving them in the DRRM Planning process ;
- (20) Adhere to and adopt the universal norms, principles, and standards of humanitarian assistance and the global effort on DRRM , advocate gender sensitive DRRM programs including persons with special needs to make them resilient;
- (21) Ensure the readiness of vulnerable and marginalized citizens of Naga City in times of disaster through capacity-building of marginalized sectors and service providers;
- (22) Coordinates with other government agencies and civil society organizations in providing DRR services to the vulnerable and marginalized groups;
- (23) Take into account the needs of vulnerable and marginalized groups before, during and after disaster situations;
- (24) Promote and raise public awareness of and compliance with RA 10121 and legislative provisions relevant to the purpose of RA 10121;
- (25) Coordinate other disaster risk reduction and management activities;
- (26) Establish linkage/network with other LGUs for disaster risk reduction and emergency response purposes;
- (27) Recommend through the NCDRRMC the enactment of local ordinances consistent with the requirements of RA 10121;

- (28) Implement policies, approved plans and programs of the NCDRRMC consistent with the policies and guidelines of RA 10121
- (29) Establish a City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Operations Center (CDRRMOC);
- (30) Prepare and submit, through the NCDRRMC and the City Development Council, the report on the utilization of the Local Disaster Risk Reduction Management Fund (LDRRMF) and other dedicated disaster risk reduction and management resources to the local Commission on Audit (COA), copy furnished the regional director of the Office of the Civil Defense (OCD) and the Local Government Operations Officer of the DILG; and
- (31) Act on other matter or matters that may be authorized by the NCDRRMC.

SECTION 4. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE – The Naga City DRRMO shall have an organizational structure which will be initially composed of the following:

- a.) Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officer,
- b.) Administration and Training Officer,
- c.) Research and Planning Officer,
- d.) Operations and Warning Officer,
- e.) Emergency Medical Services

The organizational structure of the DRRMO shall be expanded to integrate Central Communications Center (COMCEN) as its emergency communications system in accordance with RA 10121 and other existing rules and regulations. Emergency Medical Services (Naga City Rescue) was included pursuant to Pre Hospital Care Act of 2010.

SECTION 5. BUDGET – The Naga City Risk Reduction and Management Office is hereby provided the initial amount of Php 3,000,000.00 for operational expenses including the construction of the Naga City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office, to be taken from the General Fund of the City Government of Naga.

SECTION 6. TRANSFER OF EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL – Upon the effectivity of this ordinance , the personnel and its item including PS Budget from the PSO Disaster Mitigation and Management Office (Sec.9 , (c)) Naga City Rescue and the DRRM related personnel and Rescue equipment shall be transferred to the NCDRRMO.

SECTION 7. REPEALING CLAUSE - All other laws , Ordinances, Executive Orders and other executive issuances which are inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this ordinance, particularly provisions of the IRR of the RA 10-121 are hereby amended or repealed accordingly.

SECTION 8 .EFFECTIVITY – This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED : April 1, 2014

WE HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

GIL A. DE LA TORRE
Secretary to the

Sanguniang Panlungsod

GABRIEL H. BORDADO JR.
Acting City Vice Mayor
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APPROVED

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