

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-064

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AN ORDINANCE HIGHLIGHTING THE PUBLIC NATURE OF THE RAUL S. ROCO LIBRARY AND MANDATING THE FORMULATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A LONG-TERM PUBLIC LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM:-

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Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga that:

SECTION 1. Title – This ordinance shall be known as the Raul S. Roco-Naga City Public Library Development Ordinance.

SECTION 2. Declaration of Purpose and Policy – The City of Naga subscribes to Republic Act No. 7743, the *Act Providing for the Establishment of Congressional, City and Municipal Libraries and Barangay Reading Centers Throughout the Philippines . . .*, to the *Public Library Manifesto* of the International Federation of Library Associations and the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (IFLA-UNESCO), and to the *Standards for Philippine Libraries: Public Libraries* of the Board of Librarians–Professional Regulation Commission.

Thus, the general purposes of the public library of the City of Naga are:

- a. To provide library and information service to the needs of the community;
- b. To build within the library an information center about Bicol and the City of Naga—their histories, resources, people, customs and traditions, etc.;
- c. To establish linkages with other libraries to facilitate reference needs of its patrons

SECTION 3. Name - The local library established as the provincial public library in 1921, reestablished as the city public library in 1957, renamed as the Raul S. Roco Library in 2005, in honor of that erudite, great Bicolano leader, shall henceforth be known as the Raul S. Roco-Naga City Public Library, Raul Roco-Naga Public Library for short (RNPL).

SECTION 4. Standardization – The RNPL shall by the end of 2017 meet at least the minimum requirements based on the *Standards for Public Libraries* prescribed by the Philippine Board of Librarians, and by the end 2019 shall rate satisfactory in all the aspects of library operations, namely:

- a. Mission, Goals and Objectives
- b. Administration
- c. Human Resources
- d. Collection Development
- e. Services and Utilization

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- f. Physical Facilities
- g. Information and Facilities Services
- h. Financial Resources
- i. Linkages and Networking

SECTION 5. Standardization Committee – The RNPL Standardization Committee is hereby constituted to evaluate the status of the RNPL annually, the first being no later than May 2016. It shall be composed of:

- a. Chair of the Sangguniang Panlungsod Committee on Education, Chairman
- b. RNPL Librarian, Secretary
- c. Representative of the Department of Education Division Office, Member
- d. Practicing Librarian of a Public School, Member
- e. Practicing Librarian of a Private School, Member

The RNPL Standardization Committee shall adapt the *Standards for Public Libraries* for its evaluation instrument or any such veritable instrument as may be available. It shall submit its first Evaluation Report to the City Mayor and the Sangguniang Panlungsod no later than 30 June 2016, and every June 30 thereafter. The 2016 and later reports shall contain Analysis, Evaluation, and Recommendation. 2017 thenceforth the reports shall add the section Action Taken on Previous Recommendations.

SECTION 6. Raul Roco-Naga Public Library Board – Pursuant to the Implementing Rules and Regulation of RA 7743, the Raul Roco-Naga Public Library Board is hereby constituted. It shall be composed of:

- a. City Mayor, Chairman
- b. Chairman of the Sangguniang Panlungsod Committee on Education, Vice-Chairman
- c. City Treasurer, Member
- d. City Budget Officer, Member
- e. Sangguniang Kabataan Federation President, or in the absence of one, the City Youth Mayor, Member
- f. President of the Friends of the RNPL, or in the absence of one, the Naga City People's Council (NCPC) Representative, Member
- g. Librarian, Secretary

The RNPL Board shall be the policy-making body of the public library. It shall have the following functions:

- aa. To formulate and regularly update the RNPL Development Plan
- bb. To formulate all library policies, rules and procedures
- cc. To determine the annual budgetary needs for the operation and maintenance of the RNPL
- dd. To find ways and means in increasing the book and non-book collection and in improving the facilities and services
- ee. To serve as advisory body to the Sangguniang Panlungsod on public library matters

SECTION 7. Appropriations - The Local Expenditure Program shall provide for the maintenance and continued improvement of the RNPL according to the regularly updated long-term development plan.

SECTION 8. Repealing Clause – Upon effectivity of this ordinance all related ordinances are hereby repealed.

SECTION 9. Separability Clause – Should any portion or provision of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other parts thereof which are not affected thereby and shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 10. Effectivity - This ordinance shall be effective upon approval.

ENACTED : October 20, 2015

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WE HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

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Sangguniang Panlungsod

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Acting City Vice Mayor
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APPROVED:

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