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TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

20th Sanggunian 87th Regular Session June 14, 2021

ATTENDANCE:

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Hon. Levi S. Ebdao, Presiding Officer	Vice - Mayor
Hon. Ricky P. Hechanova	SB Member
Hon. Wilfredo C. Ang	SB Member
Hon. Alan M. Calalas	SB Member
Hon. Juric G. Blanco	SB Member
Hon. Danielo B. Pelegrino	SB Member
Hon. Haidee Suarez – Jimenez	SB Member
Hon. Gil P. Blanco, IPMRepresentative	SB Member
Hon. Brigil Rey G. Lorono, PPSK President	SB Member
On Official Business:	
Hon. Reynaldo Q. Castillo	SB Member
Hon. Alejo O. Luzano, Liga ng mga Barangay President	SB Member
Absent:	
None	

Municipal Ordinance No. 2021 - 588

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AN ORDINANCE BANNING THE USE OF SINGLE-USE PLASTIC PRODUCTS IN ALL ACTIVITIES OF ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND INSTITUTIONS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF COMPOSTELA, DAVAO DE ORO

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the 1987 Constitution provided the declaration of the State of the right to a balanced and healthful ecology which carries with it the correlative duty to refrain from impairing the environment;

WHEREAS, conformably with the enunciated right to a balanced and healthful ecology, it is imperative to stress the necessity of maintaining a sound ecological balance while protecting and enhancing the quality of the environment;

WHEREAS, excessive use of single-use plastic products particularly the usage of sachet has been the largest contributor of residual waste since they are designed to be used just once, consequently, contributing to the unabated improper disposal of garbage as well as the magnitude of tons in terms of plastic litters in landfills and environmental pollution as a cause of climate change;

WHEREAS, to introduce and adopt innovations as well as best practices ensuring the effective enforcement of remedies and redress for judicious management and conservation of the municipality's environment, it is deemed necessary to ban the use of single-use plastic products in all activities of all government agencies and institutions in the Municipality of Compostela, Davao de Oro and promote better alternatives such as the use of recyclable or reusable products to mitigate the environmental and health risks posed by plastic pollution;

WHEREAS, highlighting its continuing importance and imposing upon all government agencies and institutions in the Municipality of Compostela, Davao de Oro a solemn obligation to preserve and protect the environment for the present generation while in the same breath for the coming generation;

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NOW THEREFORE:

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Compostela, Davao de Oro in session assembled that:

- **SECTION 1. TITLE.** This ordinance shall be known as the "Banning the use of single-use plastic products in all government agencies and institutions in the Municipality of Compostela, Davao de Oro".
- **SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.** It is a policy of the State to protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature. Furthermore, it is the policy of the State to promote and protect the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them.

In this light, the Municipality of Compostela, Davao de Oro recognizes the need to institute mechanisms to prevent pollution and promote a healthier environment through appropriate policies, such as waste management, reduction of waste materials at source, and encouraging the use of sustainable products that will help curb plastic pollution.

- **SECTION 3. SCOPE.** This Ordinance shall apply to all offices of the Local Government Unit of Compostela, Davao de Oro including barangay local government units and other government agencies and institutions within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality.
- **SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF SINGLE-USE PLASTIC.** Refers to all disposable plastics products which are commonly used for packaging and include items intended to be used only once before they are thrown away or recycled. This includes, but is not limited to, items such as grocery bags, food packaging containers and bags, water bottles, straws, stirrers, Styrofoam, cups, sachets, and plastic cutlery.
- **SECTION 5. BANNING THE USE OF SINGLE-USE PLASTIC PRODUCTS.** It is hereby declared to ban the use of single-use plastic in all activities of all government agencies and institutions in the Municipality of Compostela, Davao de Oro.
- **SECTION 6. REGULATIONS AND PROHIBITED PRACTICES.** The following regulations and prohibited practices shall be observed at all times in all government offices in the Municipality of Compostela, Davao de Oro:
- a. Bringing any single-use plastics inside the government offices, these non-biodegradable products are encouraged to be thrown away or have the same deposited for safekeeping while doing business inside the government offices.
- b. It is prohibited to use single-use plastics and Styrofoam products during meetings, hearings, seminars, conferences, conventions, exhibition, and other government activities;
- c. Head of government offices/agencies shall ensure that concessionaires/caterers during the said meetings, hearings, seminars, conferences, conventions, exhibition, and other government activities shall comply with the provisions of this ordinance;
- d. Posting of information and educational campaign (IEC) materials shall be mandatory on all government offices, salient features of this ordinance shall be posted for information.
- **SECTION 7. EXEMPTION AND SPECIFIC APPLICATION.** This Ordinance shall have limited application to the following:
- 1. In government clinics, health stations, laboratories, and analytic services, where medical equipment are made of single-use plastics are inevitable and necessary for infection and contamination control and for other sanitary and health purposes, such as but not limited to gloves, plastic vials, sample bags, intravenous fluids or IV drips, plastic syringes, and the like, based on the protocols and standards under the World Health Organization and the Department of Health.

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- 2. Trash bags for health and other sanitary purposes, unless a better alternative is used.
- 3. General procurement of equipment, goods, and fixtures, and the like, where packaging of which involves single-use plastics shall strictly follow the standard protocol.
- 4. In all other activities where a prior request for exemption with valid justification has been submitted and duly approved by the Task Force created by the Local Chief Executive or the Agency Chief.
- 5. Other plastics not classified as single-use shall be disposed of properly under environmental and sanitation laws, rules, and regulations.

SECTION 8. RESPONSIBILITIES OF ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND INSTITUTIONS. For the effective implementation of this ordinance, all government agencies and institutions in the Municipality of Compostela, Davao de Oro shall be responsible for the following:

- 1. Improve the capacity of their offices for the implementation of this ordinance;
- 2. Encourage the use of alternative products, this include, but are not limited to items as such:
 - a. Plastic Water Bottle to Reusable Beverage Container;
 - b. To Go Coffee Lids to Travel Coffee Mug;
 - c. Plastic and Produce Bags to Reusable Cloth Bags (Eco-bags);
 - d. Single-Serve Coffee to a pot of Coffee;
 - e. Coffee Plugs and Stir Sticks to travel coffee mug;
 - f. Balloons to Eco-Friendly Decorations;
 - g. Straws to Straw free;
 - h. Disposable Lighters to Matches; and
 - i. Other Eco-friendly Materials.
- 3. Respective Human Resources Offices shall conduct green alternative orientation seminars on employees who violate this ordinance.

Environment and Natural Resources Office, Municipal Information Office, Barangay Environment and Natural Resources Office, and other government agencies and institutions shall conduct a continuing information and education campaign on the proper regulation of single-use plastics in the Municipality of Compostela, Davao de Oro. Such activity shall be incorporated and be in addition to the public information and education campaign under Republic Act No. 9003 (Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000), Municipal Ordinance No. 2006-221 (Ecological Solid Waste Management Program in the Municipality of Compostela, Compostela Valley) and Municipal Ordinance No. 2018-509 (Regulating the use of plastic, cellophane and sando bags as packaging materials and utilization of Styrofoam for food and beverage containers).

SECTION 10. TASK FORCE. A Task Force in all government agencies and institutions in the Municipality of Compostela, Davao de Oro is hereby created for the full implementation of this ordinance and shall be composed of the following, to wit:

For the LGU Compostela:

Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office, Civil Security Unit, & Philippine National Police Compostela

For Barangay Local Government Units:

Punong Barangay, SB Committee on Solid Waste Management/ Environment, SB Committee on Health, Purok Chairpersons & Barangay Tanods

For Public Schools:

School Administrators, PTA Officers, and its Designated Focal Person

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For Other Government Agencies:

Agency Heads and its Designated Focal Person

SECTION 11. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TASK FORCE. The Task Force shall perform the following duties and responsibilities:

- a. Strictly enforce the provisions of this ordinance through regular monitoring and determination of ways and means for its full and effective implementation;
- b. Apprehend violators of this ordinance;
- c. Assist in the continuing public information and education campaign on the banning of single-use plastics;
- d. Formulate and promulgate the implementing rules and regulations of this ordinance;
- e. Evaluate the implementation of this ordinance; and
- f. Perform all other tasks and duties related to the overall objective of banning single-use products in all activities of all government agencies and institutions in the Municipality of Compostela, Davao de Oro.

SECTION 12. PENALTIES. For purposes of this Ordinance, any violation of this Ordinance shall be meted the following fines and penalties:

(1) Any Government Employee:

1st Offense - Issuance of Citation Ticket and attend an orientation seminar

2nd Offense - Fine of ₱ 300.00

3rd and Subsequent Offense - Fine of ₱ 500.00

(2) Concessionaires/Caterers:

1st Offense – Issuance of Citation Ticket and attend an orientation seminar

2nd Offense – fine of ₱ 1, 000.00

3rd and Subsequent Offense - Fine of ₱ 1, 500.00

SECTION 13. REPEALING CLAUSE. Any ordinance, law, rule, and regulation, or any provision therein, inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 14. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If for any reason, any part or provision of this ordinance, shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 15. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Enacted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Compostela, Davao de Oro this 14th day of June, 2021.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

ELIZABETH N. LEGITIMAS
Acting Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED BY:

LEVI S. EBDAO

Vice Mayor/ Presiding Officer

APPROVED BY HER HONOR:

LEMA P. BOLO
Municipal Mayor

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