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CITY OF BISLIG



TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

September 16, 2026

MR. EDGAR G. PEREZ, II, J.D.

Secretary

Tanggapan ng Sangguniang Panlalawigan
Tandag City, Surigao del Sur

Sir:

Pursuant to pertinent provisions of R.A. 7160, we are respectfully submitting herewith copies of Ordinance No. 2026-18 enacted by the City Council of Bislig City captioned **“AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BISLIG CITY FISH PORT, AND PROVIDING GUIDELINES FOR ITS OPERATION, MANAGEMENT, AND PRESERVATION; PRESCRIBING FEES AND CHARGES FOR THE USE OF ITS FACILITIES AND SERVICES”**, for its review and approval.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

ROSENDO R. CAMPOS, M.P.A.
Secretary to the Sanggunian

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AN ORDINANCE ENACTED DURING THE 53RD REGULAR SESSION OF THE TENTH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF BISLIG, HELD ON THE 21ST DAY OF JULY 2026 AT THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION HALL, BISLIG CITY, SURIGAO DEL SUR.

Present:

HON. CONRAD C. CEJOCO

City Vice Mayor
(Presiding Officer)

Regular Members:

Hon. Pedrito R. Sulapas	- Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Bernadeth May R. Almanon-Balondo-	-do-
Hon. Jonas A. Cacayan	-
Hon. Paul E. Vicencio	-do-
Hon. Victor B. Alvar, Jr.	-do-
Hon. Reynaldo V. Dominguez	-do-
Hon. Romeo F. Cacayan	-do-
Hon. Winston Y. Sia	-do-
Hon. Apolio C. Alvar	-do-

Ex-Officio Members:

Hon. Eladio A. Galano	- President, Liga ng mga Barangay
Hon. Florio S. Josafat, Jr.	- Indigenous Peoples Representative

On Official Business:

Hon. Alfredo J. Carmelo	- Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Ana Mae M. Agusa	- SK Federation President

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-18

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WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution mandates the protection of the rights of subsistence fishermen, especially local communities, to the preferential use of communal marine and fishing resources, as stated in Article XII, Section 7;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8550, also known as the "*Philippine Fisheries Code of 1998*," directs the State to provide support to subsistence fishermen through appropriate technology, research, financial, production, and marketing assistance and other services;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10654, amending Republic Act No. 8550, emphasizes the establishment of monitoring, control, and surveillance systems for the sustainable utilization and management of fisheries and aquatic resources in Philippine waters;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions in Section 458, paragraph A.5, subparagraph (iii) of the Republic Act No. 7160, or the Local Government Code of 1991, which stipulates that the Sangguniang Panlungsod, as the legislative body of the city, shall enact ordinances authorizing the establishment, maintenance, and operation by the city government of ferries, wharves, and other structures intended to accelerate productivity related to marine and seashore or offshore activities;

WHEREAS, the City of Bislig, with its vision to be a leading producer of aquamarine products, recognizes the importance of establishing a multipurpose fisheries complex to support the local fisherfolk while conserving marine resources;

WHEREAS, the City of Bislig is a recipient of a Fish Port Project from the Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA), located in Marketsite District, Barangay Mangagoy, Bislig City;

WHEREAS, the City of Bislig shall operate and manage the above community fish port and market hall in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) entered into by and between the Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA) and Bislig City;

WHEREAS, the Fisheries Complex aims to promote responsible fishing practices, enhance community resilience, and protect the aquamarine environment through sustainable fisheries management;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, as it is hereby ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bislig, Surigao del Sur in session duly assembled, that:

SECTION 1. Title - This ordinance shall be known as the "*Bislig City Fish Port Complex Ordinance*".

SECTION 2. Declaration of Economic Enterprise — The Bislig City Fish Complex is hereby declared as economic enterprise owned, operated and maintained by the local government of Bislig under the management of the City Economic Enterprise Development Office (CEEDO).



SECTION 3. Objectives — The objectives of this ordinance are to:

1. Establish the Bislig City Fish Port Complex in the City of Bislig, Surigao del Sur.
2. Support scientific research, monitoring, and data collection efforts to assess the status of fish stocks, monitor ecosystem health, and evaluate the effectiveness of conservation measures.
3. Support the exploration of opportunities for diversifying livelihoods through the development of alternative income-generating activities, such as eco-tourism, aquaculture, and coastal resource management.
4. Promote sustainable fishing practices and livelihoods of local fisher folk.
5. Strengthening Monitoring, Control, and Surveillance, as well as enforcement efforts against Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated (IUU) fishing practices in the municipal and commercial waters.

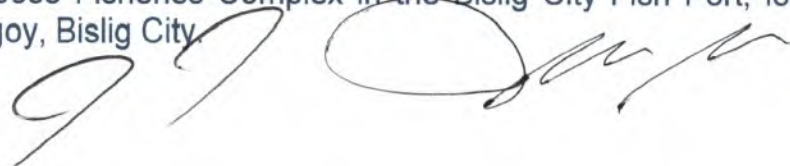
SECTION 4. Definition of Terms — For the purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them:

1. **Accreditation** — a process to individual, corporation, association, proprietorship with the intention to have business inside the port.
2. **Authority** — the Philippine Fishery Development Authority.
3. **Batillo** — one who is engaged in the handling of fish and other manual chores for a fee.
4. **Berthing Fee** — a fee collected from local vessels with 3.1 GRT and above upon berthing of vessels at the port.
5. **Berthing, Repair, Unloading, and Loading (BRUL)** — a form used in the recording and computation of all fees, charges, and dues such as berthing, unloading of fish cargo, and loading of food and vessel provisions to be paid by the vessel for using the facilities of BCFPC before the issuance of departure clearance.
6. **Bislig City Fish Port Complex** — a comprehensive infrastructure facility designed to serve multiple functions within the fishing industry of Bislig City, such as, but not limited to, fisheries management, conservation, research, community engagement, and economic development; and landing sites and transport terminals, berthing, fish unloading, provisioning, and fish trading.
7. **Board** — CEED Management Board
8. **Buyer Seller Invoice** — a form used in the collection of Buyer and Seller Fee, from local.
9. **Buyer-Seller** — one who is engaged in buying fish for resale inside the trading hall.
10. **Collection Receipt** — a form issued in place of the Buyer Seller Invoice in case of system failure or power interruption.
11. **Coxswain** — steering or directing of berthing/anchorage vessels, supervise the entry and the arrangement of vessel to berth at the pier.
12. **Desk Log Book** — logbook which records NOAs of incoming vessels reported to FPTHOD Officer, maintained in case a black-out occurs, to determine whether a vessel has a pre-arrival notice.
13. **Entrance Gate** — point of entry of all overland vehicles and port clients.

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14. **Environmental and Social Frameworks** — World Bank has established these frameworks to address environmental and social risks for establishment of mitigation measures. This concept addresses the need for a successful project implementation
15. **Factora** - a type of tally sheet indicating destination, species, volume of fish issued by the company's representative of the fishing vessel.
16. **Fish** — shall include fishery/aquatic products.
17. **Fish Broker** — one who is engaged in fish trading activities in the trading hall by acting as middlemen between the fish supplier and the buyers.
18. **Fish Buyer** — one who regularly engages in the business of buying fish for resale outside the trading hall.
19. **Fish Regulation Officer I** — trading hall operations field personnel who monitors fish unloading and trading of local and foreign unloading operations.
20. **Fish Supplier** — owner or operator of any commercial fishing boat, fish pen or any person who sells fish through the trading hall.
21. **Fish Unloading Tally Sheet** — form used by Trading Hall Officer during fish unloading for the recording of fish volume per kilogram, species, and price.
22. **Fisheries Management** — the systematic planning, regulation, and implementation of measures aimed at ensuring the sustainable utilization, conservation, and enhancement of fisheries resources in the waters of Bislig City. Included herein its' definition are the strategies designed to maintain or improve the productivity, health, and resilience of aquatic ecosystems while also supporting the social, economic, and cultural needs of stakeholders.
23. **General Manager** — the incumbent CEEDO Manager whenever acting as General Manager or any person lawfully designated as officer-in-charge by the City Mayor.
24. **Monitoring, Control, and Surveillance (MCS)/Licensing and Enforcement** — this includes full implementation of MCS programs and law enforcement activities, including integrated approaches to address Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated (IUU) fishing within municipal waters; capacity building for fishers' organizations to facilitate their effective participation in fisheries management, provision of technical support to joint research activities, including in support of community-based management, assessment of climate impacts on fish stocks, and assessment of impacts of different fishing gears and techniques, incentives/mechanisms for sustainable operations and among others.
25. **Notice of Arrival Logbook** — a logbook used to document the notice of arrival of vessels. It is a tool to determine the allocation of berth prior to vessel arrival. It is also being maintained in case a brownout occurs to determine whether a vessel has a pre-arrival notice. Vessels listed herein should be encoded in the eNOA.
26. **Overland Vehicle** — any form of land vehicle used to transport fish inside the BCFPC.
27. **Parking Fee Ticket** — a fee collected from the parking of vehicles inside the BCFPC.
28. **Permit to Conduct Business** — a permit issued to any individual, corporation, association or proprietorship to conduct business inside the port, to be endorsed by the designated and authorized personnel of FPTHOD.
29. **Port** — the Multipurpose Fisheries Complex in the Bislig City Fish Port, located at Barangay Mangagoy, Bislig City.

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30. **Port Manager** — responsible for the management and operation of the Bislig City Fish Port Complex.
31. **Port Supervisor** — an officer in charge in the supervision and oversee the fish port and trading hall operations of BCFPC.
32. **Registration Fee** — a fee collected from any individual, corporation, association, proprietorship with the intention to have business inside the port, and will be applied also to foreign fishing vessel with the intention to call port at BCFPC.
33. **Research and Development (R&D)** — the deliberate efforts and investigations aimed at enhancing fisheries management, improving fishery operations, and advancing related technologies and practices.
34. **Roll Book** — submitted by the captain/transshipment agents/duly authorized representative to the FPTHOD for stamping of the actual time of arrival and actual time of departure of the vessel, both local and foreign.
35. **Special Collecting Officer** — BCFPC personnel designated and authorized to collect payment at FPTHOD Office and BCFPC Toll Gate (Fish Port Officers, Trading Hall Officers and Toll Gate Keepers).
36. **Sustainable Fishing Practices** — fishing methods and approaches used by fishermen to catch fish in a way that ensures the long-term health of fish populations and the marine environment.
37. **Toll Gate Keeper** — trading hall operations field personnel assigned at the BCFPC toll gate that issues entrance and parking ticket and secures and verifies payments made by clients going out the port premises.
38. **Trading Hall** — located inside the Bislig City Fish Port Complex situated at Barangay Mangagoy, Bislig City.
39. **Transshipment Fee** — the fee collected in which the fish cargo fishing vessels is unloaded, sorted, classified and packed at the BCFPC and transshipped to other destination.
40. **Tub** — fish container made of any suitable materials which contain a minimum weight of 30-40 kilograms.

SECTION 5. Purpose and Functions — The Bislig City Fish Port Complex shall serve as a hub for:

1. **Fish Landing and Handling** — Provide facilities for fishers to land their catches safely and efficiently. This may include docks, piers, and ramps for vessel access, as well as equipment for unloading, sorting, and storing fish.
2. **Research and Development** — Support research and development activities to improve fisheries management, product quality, and value chain efficiency. This may involve partnerships with academic institutions, research organizations, and industry stakeholders to conduct studies and pilot projects, such as the Enforcement and Regional Monitoring Control and Surveillance Operation Center (ERMCSOC) and the office and laboratory for the National Stock Assessment Program (NSAP).
3. **Educational Programs** — Conduct educational programs and workshops on topics such as sustainable fishing practices, marine conservation, and seafood safety. This may involve collaboration with local schools and non-profit organizations to provide training and awareness campaigns.

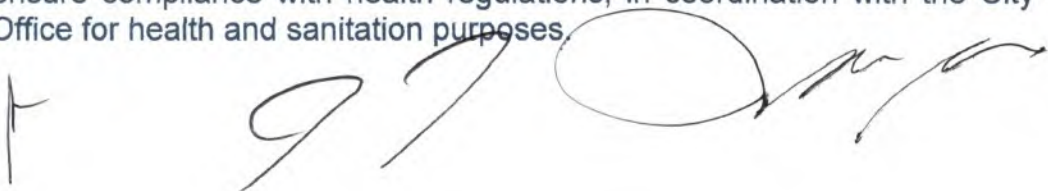
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4. **Administration and Management** — Establish administrative offices for complex management, including staff offices, meeting rooms, and customer service areas. This may involve the deployment of personnel to oversee day-to-day operations, coordinate activities, and engage with stakeholders.
5. **Training and Capacity Building** — Offer training and capacity-building programs for fishers, vendors, and complex staff. This may include workshops on business management, marketing skills, food safety practices, and technical training on equipment operation and maintenance.
6. **Monitoring, Control, and Surveillance (MCS)** — Intensify the implementation of monitoring, control, and surveillance system. This includes systematic licensing and enforcement implementation against Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated (IUU) fishing practices in the municipal waters and beyond.

SECTION 6. Policies Governing Operation — The following shall govern the operation of the Complex:

1. **Compliance with Regulations** — All activities and operations within the Bislig City Fish Port Complex shall be conducted in strict compliance with national fisheries laws, regulations, and standards governing fishery management, environmental protection, and food safety.
2. **Sustainable Fisheries Management** — The operation of the Complex shall prioritize sustainable fishing practices and resource management strategies to ensure the long-term health and productivity of fish stocks and marine ecosystems. Fishers utilizing complex facilities shall adhere to catch limits, gear restrictions, and other conservation measures established by relevant authorities.
3. **Environmental Protection** — Measures shall be implemented to minimize the environmental impact of complex operations, including pollution prevention, waste management, and habitat conservation. Environmental management plans shall be developed and enforced to mitigate potential risks and preserve natural resources and biodiversity.
4. **Infrastructure Maintenance** — The City Government of Bislig shall be responsible for the regular maintenance, repair, and upkeep of Complex infrastructure, including fish landing facilities, processing station, storage units, market stalls, and administrative building. Routine inspections and maintenance schedules shall be established to ensure the safety, functionality. Equipment serviceability and longevity of Complex facilities.
5. **Hygiene and Sanitation** — High standards of hygiene and sanitation shall be maintained throughout the Complex to safeguard the safety and quality of fish products and protect public health. Food safety protocols, cleanliness standards, and pest control measures shall be implemented to prevent contamination and ensure compliance with health regulations, in coordination with the City Health Office for health and sanitation purposes.

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6. **Capacity Building and Training** — Training and capacity-building programs shall be provided for Complex staff, fisher folks, vendors, and other stakeholders on topics such as fisheries management, marketing skills, environmental conservation, and disaster preparedness. Empowerment of individuals and communities shall be prioritized to enhance participation and contribution to Complex activities.

SECTION 7. Management — The Bislig City Fish Port Complex shall be governed by the City Economic Enterprise Development Management Board (CEEDMB) through the City Economic Enterprise Development Manager.

SECTION 8. Employment — The CEEDO Manager with the assistance of the City Human Resources Management Officer, shall prescribe the job description and qualification of the Plantilla Position for the BCFPC, subject to the Civil Service Commission rules and regulation.

SECTION 9. Governing Body of Bislig City Fish Port — The following will be the functions or responsibilities of the managing board:

1. The City Economic Enterprise Development Management Board (CEEDMB) shall submit the proposed positions to be created for the operation of the Bislig City Fish Port Complex.
2. The City Economic Enterprise Development Management Board (CEEDMB) shall designate/hire regular employees and Job Order (JO) employees to the Bislig City Fish Port Complex until the Plantilla for its operation is approved.

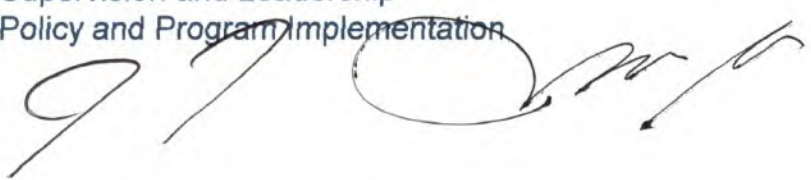
SECTION 10. Bislig City Fish Port Complex Personnel — The Bislig City Fish Port Complex Division shall be responsible for the operation and management of the enterprise. The Plantilla Positions with corresponding salary grades of personnel under this division shall be as follows:

- 1 – Administrative Officer V (Division Head) SG-18
- 1 – Port Supervisor SG – 15
- 1 – Fishing Regulation Officer I SG-11
- 1 – Security Guard SG - 3
- 3 - Administrative Aide III SG – 3

The following will be the functions or responsibilities of the Fish Port personnel:

1. **Administrative Officer V** — is typically a senior-level administrative position with common functions that include:
 - a. Administrative Management
 - b. Human Resource Administration
 - c. Financial and Budget Management
 - d. Records and Property Management
 - e. Supervision and Leadership
 - f. Policy and Program Implementation

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- g. Compliance and Reporting
- h. Coordination and Liaison

2. **Port Supervisor** — is responsible for overseeing the daily operations of a port, fish port, or harbor facility to ensure efficient, safe, and orderly movement of vessels, cargo, fishery products, and port user and the functions of a Port Supervisor include:

- a. Supervision of Port Operations
- b. Implementation of Port Rules and Regulations
- c. Facility and Equipment Management
- d. Personnel Supervision
- e. Safety and Security Monitoring
- f. Revenue and Administrative Functions
- g. Stakeholder Coordination
- h. Reporting and Documentation

3. **Fishing Regulations Officer I (FRO I)** — is generally responsible for assisting in the enforcement of fisheries laws, rules, and regulations to protect fishery resources and ensure sustainable fishing practices and the functions include:

- a. Enforcement of Fisheries Laws
- b. Monitoring and Surveillance
- c. Inspection and Verification
- d. Investigation and Documentation
- e. Information and Education Activities
- f. Coordination with Other Agencies
- g. Data Collection and Reporting
- h. Support to Fisheries Management Programs

4. **Security Guard I in a Fish Port** — is responsible for maintaining security, safety, and order within the fish port premises, protecting personnel, visitors, fishermen, traders, vessels, facilities, and government assets and the functions include:

- a. Port Security and Access Control
- b. Patrol and Surveillance
- c. Protection of Port Assets
- d. Maintenance of Peace and Order
- e. Emergency and Incident Response
- f. Inspection and Monitoring
- g. Documentation and Reporting
- h. Assistance to Port Operations
- i. Customer Assistance

5. **Administrative Aide III** — assigned to a fish port generally performs clerical, administrative, and support functions to help ensure the efficient operation of the port office. Typical functions include:

- a. Records and Document Management
- b. Clerical Support

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- c. Data Entry and Reporting
- d. Frontline and Customer Assistance
- e. Administrative Coordination
- f. Supply and Property Support
- g. Financial and Revenue Support
- h. Support to Fish Port Operations

SECTION 11. *Manual of Operations* —

- a. A Fish Port and Trading Hall Manual shall be adopted for the management and operation of the Bislig City Fish Port Complex by the City Economic Enterprise Development Management Board (CEEDMB), subject to approval by the City Council.
- b. The City Economic Enterprise and Development Management Board (CEEDMB) is likewise authorized to adopt policies and measures to supplement the Fish Port and Trading Hall Manual.

SECTION 12. *Fees and Charges* —

- a. A berthing fee of Php20.00 per hour shall be collected from municipal fishing boat with a GRT of 3.0 ton per hour. Small Scale Commercial Fishing Boat weighing 3.1 ton up to 20 GT Php40.00 per hour, Medium Scale Commercial Fishing Boat 20.1 GT up to 150 GT Php60.00 per hour and Large Scale Fishing Vessel with 150 GT Php80.00 per hour.
- b. An Unloading Fee of Php15.00/tub of fish and other marine products unloaded from a fishing boat or overland vehicle shall be collected from producer or fish suppliers, but no fee shall be collected for fish unloaded within the fish port if the corresponding conveyance/unloading fee thereof have already been paid upon unloading at the port.

An Off-Site Permit Fee of Php250.00 shall be paid by any person, association, cooperative, or other entity applying to unload fish and other maritime products in areas outside the fish port premises to ensure the effective monitoring, regulation, and documentation of the transport, trade, storage, or other handling of fish outside the designated fish landing or trading area.

The CEEDO Management Board shall prescribe the necessary forms for regulatory and monitoring purposes.

A transshipment fee of P0.60 per kilo of fish shall also be computed and collected based on the total actual weight, in kilograms, of the fish indicated in the Off-Site Permit application.

- c. A Market Hall Fee shall be collected from brokers at the rate of Php3.00 per sqm. per hour or fraction thereof.
- d. A Transshipment Fee of Php0.60 per kilo of fish and other marine products shall be collected from the fish suppliers.

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- e. Parking Fee shall be collected at the rate of Php5.00 for every tricycle, single motor; Php20.00 for every light vehicle, car, and jeep; and Php75.00 for every heavy vehicle like refrigerated van or truck with trailer.
- f. An Ice Conveyance Fee of Php3.00 per block shall be collected from ice suppliers from the commencement of Fish Port operations until 31 December 2026. Effective 1 January 2027, the fee shall be increased to Php10.00 per block.
- g. Water fee shall be collected at the rate of Php4.00 for every 20 liters.
- h. An Annual Registration fee of Php500.00 shall be collected to accredited stakeholders.
- i. Ice Storage rental fee of Php10.00 per sqm. per month.
- j. Use of Rest Room:
 - Shower – Php15.00
 - Defecating – Php10.00
 - Urinating – Php5.00
- k. Miscellaneous Fee - Php100.00

SECTION 13. Incentive on Advance Payment and Penalty for Delinquencies

— where install/space holder who paid an advance rental for one (1) month which will be payable within the first ten (10) days of the month shall be given as incentive of 10% discount. A stall /space holder who fails to pay the rental within the prescribed period shall pay a penalty of 25% of the amount due and demandable.

SECTION 14. Penalties for Violation at Bislig City Fish Port Complex Rules

— effective immediately, administrative penalty shall be imposed on Fishing Vessel Operators and Fish Brokers violating fish port rules and regulations, penalties shall be imposed on the following violation:

1. Arrival without notice.
2. Departure without Clearance
3. Undertaking repair without permit
4. Absence of responsible crew to man the vessel while at berth
5. Causing pollution
6. Refusal to submit required Roll Book and other documents.
7. Refusal to salvage laid-up/sunk vessel
8. Indiscriminate littering
9. Absence of Vessel rubber cushion
10. Unauthorized docking and/or transfer of vessel
11. Overstaying
12. Misdeclaration of cargoes.

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Commission of the above offenses shall be penalized as follows:

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| a) First Offense | Php 1,000.00 |
| b) Second offense | Php 1,500.00 |
| c) Third Offense | Php 2,000.00 |

13. Unloading of illegally caught fish-illegal caught fish will be confiscated and the vessel shall be impounded and appropriate charge shall be file in court.

14. Loading of Explosive and poisonous substances vessel shall be impounded and appropriate charge shall be filed in court.

SECTION 15. Monitoring, Control, and Surveillance (MCS) and Licensing Implementation — A robust Monitoring, Control, and Surveillance (MCS) system focused on ensuring compliance with fishery management measures shall be implemented, which includes gathering information on fisheries activities for use in formulating and assessing management measures, and using this data to ensure adherence to regulations through surveillance.

SECTION 16. Review and Amendment — This Ordinance shall be subject to review and amendment as necessary to ensure its effectiveness and relevance.

SECTION 17. Budget — As stipulated at the CEEDO Code, a provision of 10% of estimated revenue as Capital Investment Program (CIP) to finance expansion of its operation and 5% for the Maintenance of Facilities and Equipment (MIFE) on top of the PFDA share. BCFPC shall have a different depository account independent from other Economic Enterprises.

SECTION 18. Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA) Share — Ten percent (10%) of the gross income shall be remitted to the Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA) in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement (MoA).

SECTION 19. Separability Clause — Should any provision or section of this Ordinance or any part thereof be declared invalid, the other provisions or sections, insofar as they are separable from the invalid ones, shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 20. Effectivity — This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its posting in three conspicuous areas within the City's public places and in the official website page of the local government of Bislig City.

ENACTED this 21st day of July, 2026.

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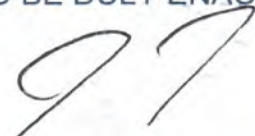
SP Ordinance No. 2026-18 "An Ordinance establishing the Bislig City Fish Port, and providing guidelines for its operation, management, and preservation; prescribing fees and charges for the use of its facilities and services"

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I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-quoted ordinance.

ROSENDO R. CAMPOS, MPA
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED
TO BE DULY ENACTED:


ATTY. CONRAD C. CEJOCO
City Vice Mayor
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FLORENCIO C. GARAY
City Mayor

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MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE COMMITTEES ON ECONOMIC ENTERPRISE & DEVELOPMENT PLANNING AND ON WAYS & MEANS AND TAXATION OF THE 10TH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF BISLIG HELD ON JULY 9, 2026, 9:20 A.M. AT MARKET SITE OPEN GYMNASIUM, BARANGAY MANGAGOY, BISLIG CITY, SURIGAO DEL SUR

Attendees:

Hon. Jonas A. Cacayan	- Chairman/Ways & Means
Hon. Winston Y. Sia	- Chairman/Economic Enterprise
Hon. Bernadeth May R. Almanon-Balondo	- Co-Chairman/Economic Enterprise
	Member/Ways & Means
Hon. Reynaldo V. Dominguez	- Member/Economic Enterprise
Hon. Romeo F. Cacayan	- Member/Ways & Means
Hon. Conrad C. Cejoco	- Member/Economic Enterprise
	Member/Ways & Means

Absent:

Hon. Victor B. Alvar, Jr.	- Co-Chairman/Ways & Means
	Member/Economic Enterprise

Other Attendees:

Hon. Paul E. Vicencio	- SP Member
Mr. Romeo T. Lapatha, Jr.	- Acting City Treasurer
Mr. Raul D. Miranda	- Market Supervisor III, CEEDO
Mrs. Agnes Mildred Q. Esturas	- Market Supervisor II, CEEDO
Mr. Rolan F. Samontina	- CFARMC Chairman
Mrs. Nilda L. Daruca	- Stall Owner, Mangagoy Public Market
Mr. Jake Congreso	- Fish Broker, Mangagoy, Bislig City
Mr. Jeffrey Amador	- Bangka Owner, Mangagoy, Bislig City
Mr. Freddie Garong	- Bangka Owner, SeaJim/LUNA Company
Mr. Melchor Pitogo	- Fish Broker, Mangagoy, Bislig City
Ms. Shiela Omega	- Fish Vendor, Mangagoy, Bislig City
Ms. Geraldine T. Lozano	- Media, Radyo Bandera Network

(See Attendance Sheets for other attendees...)

PROCEEDINGS:

Hon. Sia, Chairman of the Committee on Economic Enterprise & Development Planning and Hon. J. Cacayan, Chairman of the Committee on Ways & Means and Taxation called the Public Hearing of the *“Proposed Ordinance Establishing a Multipurpose Fisheries Complex in the Bislig City Fish Port, Barangay Mangagoy, and Providing Guidelines for its Operation and Preservation”* to order. This was followed by an opening prayer presented through an audio-visual format, and subsequently, the singing of the Philippine National Anthem.

After the Secretariat conducted the roll call, Hon. Sia welcomed all the attendees to the public hearing and then gave his opening statement, emphasizing the significance of the proposed ordinance.

For his opening statement, Hon. J. Cacayan briefly explained that while the Fish Port will be managed by the City Economic Enterprise and Development Office (CEEDO) under the Economic Enterprise Committee, the Fees and Charges prescribed under the proposed ordinance will be under the Ways & Means and Taxation Committee.

As the proponent of the proposed ordinance, Vice Mayor Cejoco introduced the rationale for the establishment of the Bislig City Multipurpose Fish Complex. He explained that the Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA) allocated a budget of Sixty-Eight Million Pesos (Php68,000,000.00) for the construction of the project. He further stated that the PFDA will receive a percentage of the collected fees and charges. He also emphasized that the proposed ordinance aims to ensure the orderly management and operation of the Bislig City Fish Port, as well as safeguard the quality of fish sold in the market. In addition, he noted that the facility will serve as a venue for training programs, seminars, research and development initiatives, and other activities related to the fisheries sector.

Thereafter, Mr. Raul Miranda, Market Supervisor of CEEDO, presented the Policies Governing Operation under Section 5 of the proposed ordinance. He highlighted Section 5(e) on Hygiene and Sanitation, which ensures that high standards of hygiene and sanitation shall be maintained throughout the Complex to safeguard the safety and quality of fish products and protect public health. As an example, he cited General Santos City's policy requiring that no one be allowed inside the Complex without wearing boots. He likewise made reference to Sec. 5 (d) and (f), which require that damages to the Complex's infrastructure be reported to CEEDO for the corresponding repairs, and provide for the conduct of training and capacity-building programs for Complex staff, fisherfolk, vendors, and other stakeholders.

After Mr. Miranda's presentation of Section 5, Mr. Jeffrey Amador, a *bangka* owner, raised the concern about the difficulty of docking especially during rough seas, making it hard to unload fish. He requested that they be allowed to dock and unload at PICOP instead, adding that they would return to using the Fish Port once docking and unloading there becomes possible, in which Hon. J. Cacayan assured that the said concern was duly noted.

Subsequently, Ms. Agnes Esturas of CEEDO discussed the Fees and Charges of the proposed Ordinance. She stressed the need to collect fees and charges in order to sustain the operation and maintenance of the facilities. She further explained that the proposed rates were formulated in accordance with the guidelines and factors prescribed under Department of the Interior and Local Government – Department of Finance (DILG-DOF) Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2019-01 Toolkit.

As for the berthing fee, it is currently charged on a per-hour basis due to limited space. This scheme is intended to discourage vessels from overstaying once unloading of fish has been completed. Similarly, a water fee is collected to recover the cost of providing potable water sourced from Bislig City Water District to port users. The installation of a deep well is not a viable alternative, as it may adversely affect the existing facilities.

With respect to the Annual Registration Fee, before the fee can be collected from any brokers, vendors and clients, they are required to undergo accreditation first with the PFDA and then from the CEEDO Board before they may register. Only upon satisfactory compliance with these requirements shall they be eligible for registration and entitled to avail themselves of the privileges and benefits granted to accredited and registered stakeholders.

As for the ice storage rental fee, the rental of available ice storage units shall be awarded through a competitive bidding process whenever there are more than two (2) qualified applicants. Meanwhile, an ice conveyance fee of Ten Pesos (Php10.00) per block shall be charged to cover the handling and transport of ice within the fish port premises.

Ms. Esturas also provided an overview of the allocation of revenues generated from the collection of fees and charges. Of the total collections, ten percent (10%) shall be remitted to the PFDA, fifteen percent (15%) shall be allocated for the repair and

maintenance of the fish port facilities, and ten percent (10%) for capital investment. The remaining balance shall be utilized to cover personnel wages, operational expenses, and the procurement of necessary materials. This allocation scheme is intended to ensure the financial sustainability of the fish port and support its continuous and efficient operation.

Thereafter, Mr. Freddie Garong from LUNA company, raised the issue that their fishing vessel cannot dock at the fish port due to shallow waters. He also raised the lack of official receipt from the collectors in PICOP. Vice Mayor Cejoco clarified that while the fish port cannot accommodate everyone at present, it should still be utilized and made operational so that existing issues can be identified, allowing the city to seek additional budget for its eventual expansion.

As to the matter of lack of official receipt, Vice Mayor Cejoco clarified that the collections in PICOP were from private individuals and that there was no authorization from the LGU. He emphasized the importance of this ordinance so that legal fees will be imposed and collected. He also encouraged everyone to report the names of these individuals so that the LGU can investigate from whom the authority was sourced.

Additionally, Hon. Dominguez said that, if ever there will be manifestation of official letter or complaint, it will be attended to by the council. Ms. Esturas also stated that CEEDO stopped collecting fees at the pier since June 2023, with the collection turned over to the City Treasurer's Office.

CFARMC Chairman Rolan Samontina stated that the issue on lack of receipt has been raised to him for a long time, but he clarified that it is the LGU, specifically the City Agriculture Office, that will issue the auxiliary receipt. If ever there will be collections without a receipt, it just means that the collecting officer is not from the LGU.

Additionally, Mr. Samontina suggested that "passenger boat" in the ordinance be deleted as the fish port is exclusive for fishing vessels. No passenger boat should dock near the fish port. Vice Mayor Cejoco agreed to the deletion of "passenger boat".

On the other hand, Mr. Miranda added that, during the meeting of the CEEDO Management Board, it was suggested that for fishing vessel unable to dock near the fish port, the fish would instead be collected using a *bandong*. However, Mr. Melchor Pitogo, of the Dodong Manggas Fishing, expressed his reservations regarding the use of the *bandong* system. According to him, it would not be feasible as keeping the fishing vessel on standby in the deep sea would compromise the quality of the fish given that the unloading process could take days or even weeks to complete.

Meanwhile, Ms. Shiela Omega, a fish vendor requested that the Ice Conveyance Fee be lowered from the proposed Php10.00/block.

As stated by Mr. Miranda, the imposed fee was based on the toolkit mentioned by Ms. Esturas but noted that it would still be subject to the Sanggunian's discretion should they consider lowering it.

After extensive discussion, it was agreed – upon the suggestion of Hon. Almanon-Balondo and seconded by Acting City Treasurer Romeo Lapatha, Jr. – that the Ice Conveyance Fee shall be set at Php3.00 per block from the start of the operation of the Fish Port until December 2026, after which it will increase to Php15.00 the following year.

Furthermore, according to Hon. Sia, based on the toolkit, the original fee for Ice Conveyance is Php20.00 per block. Since the toolkit is good only for five (5) years, the agreed fee will eventually reach Php20.00, in line with the nationally mandated rate.

Ms. Nilda Daruca, a stall owner at the public market raised a concern regarding the condition of the access road, noting that it remains rough. She also expressed her dismay over the growing presence of unlicensed sellers operating in the market.

In response, Hon. Dominguez, as Chairman of the Public Works and Infrastructure committee, assured that there is already a Five Million Pesos (Php5,000,000.00) funding and that the project is already scheduled for bidding in July or August.

Mr. Miranda related that they had already issued a Memorandum to those permitting unlicensed sellers, and that the Business Permit and Licensing Office (BPLO) had also warned them that continued selling would result in the confiscation of their fish.

On the issue about illegal sellers who enter the market without license, Hon. Vicencio stated that the moment the Fish Port becomes operational, every *bangka* will have to dock at the Fish Port and there will be legal reason to stop the illegal sellers, which was also seconded by Hon. J. Cacayan.

The following actions taken were then noted:

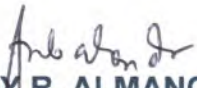
1. To amend the Ice Conveyance Fee from Php10.00 per block to Php3.00 from the start of the operation until December 2026.
2. To incorporate the fees and charges in the ordinance as suggested by the CEEDO.
3. To calendar the proposed ordinance under Second Reading.

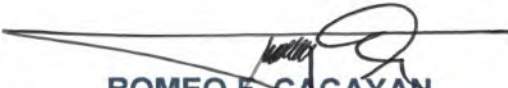
There being no other matters for discussion, the Presiding Officer adjourned the public hearing and thanked everyone who attended.

We hereby certify to the correctness of the above-mentioned Minutes.

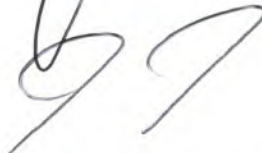

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SUBJECT : Proposed Ordinance Establishing a Multipurpose Fisheries Complex in the Bislig City Fish Port, Barangay Mangagoy, and Providing Guidelines for its Operation and Preservation. (Author: Hon. Conrad C. Cejoco) TN2026-10-318

COMMITTEE : Economic Enterprise and Development Planning and on Ways & Means and Taxation

DATE : July 9, 2026 (Thursday) at 9:00 a.m.

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