

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Cagayan
TUGUEGARAO CITY

COMMITTEE ON SUSTAINABILITY, CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AND ECOLOGY (Lead)
COMMITTEE ON RULES, LAWS AND ETHICS

March 20, 2025

Present:

HON. MARIA ROSARIO B. SORIANO

(Committee On Sustainability, Climate Change and Environmental Protection and Ecology)
(Committee on Rules, Laws and Ethics)

- Chair
- Member

HON. IMOGEN CLAIRE M. CALLANGAN

(Committee On Sustainability, Climate Change and Environmental Protection and Ecology)

- Vice-Chair (via Zoom)

HON. TIRSO V. MANGADA

(Committee On Sustainability, Climate Change and Environmental Protection and Ecology)

- Member (via Zoom)

HON. MARC ALDOUS C. BACCAY

(Committee on Rules, Laws and Ethics)

- Chair

HON. ARNEL T. ARUGAY

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- Member

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- City Planning Officer

MR. MARCELINO C. GUMABAY

- OIC- CENRO

FOR THE PRESIDING OFFICER:

The joint committee met and deliberated on the referral on March 20, 2025. The joint committee previously also met and deliberated last January 21, 2025.

COMMITTEE REPORT NO:090-2025

SUBJECT:

Indorsement of the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, on the Urban Biodiversity Management Plan CY 2025-2029 of PENRO Cagayan Sub-Office.

FINDINGS:

1. The Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB) issued Technical Bulletin No. 2028-02, which details the assessment procedures for urban biodiversity. This aligns with BMB Technical Bulletin No. 21-04, which sets forth guidelines for the Urban Biodiversity Management Planning Process, in accordance with DENR Administrative Order No. 2016-12 related to the Philippine Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan for 2015-2028.

2. All necessary data under Table 22 on Health Facilities has been updated and completed for the revision of the Tuguegarao City Urban Biodiversity Management Plan for CY 2025-2029 as recommended during the initial meeting.
3. Cataggaman River Park has been proposed for inclusion in the Urban Biodiversity Management Plan as an essential open space.
4. There is a need for the Work and Financial Plan to be more realistic and informative, particularly concerning the Programs, Projects, and Activities (PPAs) that must be incorporated for effective investment planning and budgeting. Furthermore, signatories must be included in the Work and Financial Plan.
5. The City Planning and Development Office (CPDO), City Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO) and the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENRO) shall collaborate to identify Programs, Projects, and Activities (PPAs) under the long-term, medium-term, and short-term goals.
6. The plan should specify success indicators and timeframes for long-term, medium-term, and short-term goals, as well as identify specific partners for each Programs Project, and Activity (PPA).
7. The City Planning and Development Office (CPDO), City Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO) and the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENRO) shall identify the specific activities associated exclusively with the Tuguegarao City Government and that of PENRO Cagayan Sub-office to accurately delineate the funding sources and ensure that there is no overlapping of responsibilities and funding.

RECOMMENDATION:

After a thorough discussion, the joint committees finally recommend for the passage of Resolution Adopting and Approving the Tuguegarao City Urban Biodiversity Management Plan for CY 2025-2029, subject to the incorporation of the funding sources by the City Planning and Development Office (CPDO) and the identification of specific activities associated exclusively with the Tuguegarao City Government and the PENRO Cagayan Sub-office.

Respectfully submitted:

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**DRAFT RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE TUGUEGARAO CITY URBAN
BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR CY 2025-2029**

WHEREAS, Article II Section 16 of the Constitution provides that the State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, pursuant to this constitutional mandate, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources issued DENR Administrative Order No. 2016-12 Adopting the Philippine Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (PBSAP) 2015-2028;

WHEREAS, the Biodiversity Management Bureau was authorized to coordinate the implementation and mainstreaming of the Philippine Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (PBSAP) with the plans and programs of concerned national government agencies and local government units;

WHEREAS, the Tuguegarao City Government recognizes the vital importance of urban biodiversity in maintaining ecological balance, improving the quality of life for its residents, and enhancing city resilience against climate change and environmental degradation;

WHEREAS, the development of a comprehensive Urban Biodiversity Management Plan (UBMP) is necessary to address the current challenges facing biodiversity within Tuguegarao City and to ensure the sustainable management and preservation of its natural resources;

WHEREAS, the adoption of the Tuguegarao City Urban Biodiversity Management Plan aligns with national and international commitments to biodiversity conservation, including the Convention on Biological Diversity and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals;

WHEREAS, the Tuguegarao City Urban Biodiversity Management Plan for CY 2025-2029 outlines strategic goals, objectives, and actions aimed at fostering urban biodiversity, enhancing ecosystem services, and promoting public awareness and education on biodiversity issues;

NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVE AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, on motion and duly seconded and without objection from the body, the Sagguniang Panlungsod of Tuguegarao City hereby ADOPTS and APPROVES the Tuguegarao City Urban Biodiversity Management Plan for CY 2025-2029.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the adoption and approval of this resolution is subject to the incorporation of the funding sources by the City Planning and Development Office (CPDO) and the identification of specific activities associated exclusively with the Tuguegarao City Government and that of PENRO Cagayan Sub-office;

FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the pertinent agencies or departments concerned for information and appropriate action.