

Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Cagayan  
**TUGUEGARAO CITY**

**NINTH CITY COUNCIL**

**COMMITTEE REPORT NO: 123-2024**

April 08, 2024

**Submitted by:**

**COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND WAYS AND MEANS**

**PRESENT:**

HON. JUDE T. BAYONA	- Chairman
HON. MARIA ROSARIO B. SORIANO	- Vice Chairman (via zoom)
HON. ARNEL T. ARUGAY	- Member
HON. IMOGEN CLAIRE M. CALLANGAN	- Member (via zoom)

**RESOURCE PERSONS:**

MR. BUENAVENTURA F. LAGUNDI	- City Treasury Office Department Head
MR. JAIME PALATTAO	- Metro Tug. Multipurpose Coop. Board Secretary-Designate
MR. TEODORO B. LASAM	- Metro Tug. Multipurpose Coop. Chairman

**FOR THE PRESIDING OFFICER:**

The committee met and deliberated on the referral:

**SUBJECT:**

Indorsement of the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, on the letter request from Mr. Teodoro B. Lasam, Chairperson of Stallholders of the Tuguegarao City Commercial Center for the extension of the amnesty program until the end of June 2024 and waiver of penalties and surcharge.

**FINDINGS:**

1. Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que indorsed to the Ninth City Council the letter request from Mr. Teodoro B. Lasam, Chairperson of Stallholders of the Tuguegarao City Commercial Center for the extension of the amnesty program until the end of June 2024 and waiver of penalties and surcharge.
2. Due to the prolonged disruption in the normal operation of business establishments at the Tuguegarao City Commercial Center and Tuguegarao People's Gymnasium because of the recent pandemic resulting to financial instability, the stallholders failed to pay their monthly rentals.
3. The City Council has passed various ordinances relative to the condonation of penalties and surcharges, interest and other fees including monthly stall rentals and condonation of penalties/surcharges for late payment of monthly rentals at the Tuguegarao City Commercial Center and Tuguegarao People's Gymnasium, provided however, that the stallholders will pay their dues on or before the prescribed period as stipulated in the said approved ordinances.
4. The members of the committee arrived at a consensus that they will grant the herein request through the enactment of a new ordinance.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

After a thorough discussion and finding the request to be with merit and beneficial to Tuguegarao City Government and its constituents particularly the stallholders of the Tuguegarao City Commercial Center and Tuguegarao People's Gymnasium, the committee favorably recommends the passage of an Ordinance titled, "*An ordinance granting amnesty on the payment of the accrued penalties/surcharges on the unpaid monthly rentals of the business establishment operating at the Tuguegarao City Commercial Center and Tuguegarao People's Gymnasium on or before June 30, 2024*", provided that they will settle all their unpaid stall rentals on or before June 30, 2024.

**Respectfully submitted:**



**HON. JUDE T. BAYONA**  
Chairman



**HON. MARIA ROSARIO B. SORIANO**  
Vice Chairman



**HON. ARNEL T. ARUGAY**  
Member



**HON. IMOGEN CLAIRE M. CALLANGAN**  
Member

**AN ORDINANCE GRANTING AMNESTY ON THE PAYMENT OF THE ACCRUED PENALTIES/ SURCHARGES ON THE UNPAID MONTHLY RENTALS OF THE BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS OPERATING AT THE TUGUEGARAO CITY COMMERCIAL CENTER (TCCC) AND TUGUEGARAO PEOPLE'S GYMNASIUM ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2024**

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, states that "local government units are authorized to exercise powers necessary, appropriate or incidental for their efficient and effective governance and those which are essential to the promotion of general welfare";

**WHEREAS**, the stall owners of all establishments operating at the Tuguegarao City Commercial Center (TCCC) and People's Gymnasium were greatly affected by the recent pandemic, hence, they were not able to pay their stall rentals;

**WHEREAS**, for the past years, various ordinances were passed by the City Council granting amnesty on the accrued penalties/surcharges of stall owners operating their establishments at the TCCC and People's Gymnasium;

**WHEREAS**, the Metro Tuguegarao Multi-Purpose Cooperative has passed a petition letter requesting the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, for an amnesty on past due accounts on rentals and penalties of stall owners at the Tuguegarao City Commercial Center and Tuguegarao People's Gymnasium.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it **ORDAINED**, as it is hereby **ORDAINED**, by the Ninth City Council in Tuguegarao City, in session duly assembled, to enact the following:

**SECTION 1. TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be referred to as "*An Ordinance Granting Amnesty on the payment of the Accrued Penalties/Surcharges on the Unpaid Monthly Rentals of the Business Establishments Operating at the Tuguegarao City Commercial Center (TCCC) and Tuguegarao People's Gymnasium provided that they will Settle all their Unpaid Stall Rentals on or before June 30, 2024*".

**SECTION 2. SUBJECT OF CONDONATION.** This Ordinance shall provide condonation of accrued penalties/surcharges on the unpaid monthly rentals of the business establishments operating at the Tuguegarao City Commercial Center (TCCC) and People's Gymnasium provided that they will settle their unpaid rentals on or before June 30, 2024.

**SECTION 3. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If 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 remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 4. REPEALING CLAUSE.** City Ordinances and administrative regulations or part/s thereof which are inconsistent with any provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 5. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.** This ordinance shall immediately take effect upon its approval.