

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

**NINTH CITY COUNCIL**

**COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 261-2024**

October 21, 2024

**Submitted by: COMMITTEE ON RULES, LAWS AND ETHICS**

**PRESENT:**

<b>HON. MARC ALDOUS C. BACCAY</b>	- Chairman, Rules
<b>HON. JUDE T. BAYONA</b>	- Vice Chairman, Rules/ via zoom
<b>HON. GRACE B. ARAGO</b>	- Member, Rules/ via zoom

**RESOURCE PERSONS:**

<b>Engr. Evelyn Sagun</b>	- USAID CCBO Representative
<b>Engr. Marcelino Gumabay</b>	- OIC, CENRO
<b>Atty. Leah Vargas</b>	- City Legal Office Representative
<b>Atty. Monique De Leon</b>	- City Legal Office Representative

**GUEST:**

<b>Hon. Tirso V. Mangada</b>	- Sponsor
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**SUBJECT:**

Indorsement of the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, on the draft Memorandum of Understanding between the Tuguegarao City Government and the Tetra Tech ARD, Inc. relative to the implementation of USAID Clean Cities, Blue Ocean CCBO activities and the provision of technical assistance.

**FOR THE PRESIDING OFFICER:**

The Members of the Committee met and deliberated on the Indorsement of the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, on the draft Memorandum of Understanding between the Tuguegarao City Government and the Tetra Tech ARD, Inc. relative to the implementation of USAID Clean Cities, Blue Ocean CCBO activities and the provision of technical assistance. The Committee respectfully submits the herein Committee Report and has the honor to report to this August body in session the following findings and recommendations.

**FINDINGS:**

1. On August 28, 2019, USAID launched the Clean Cities, Blue Ocean (CCBO) Program. The Five-year (2019-2024), \$48 million program is the Agency's flagship program to respond to the global crisis of ocean plastic pollution. The CCBO has initiated the five-year program to stem the flow of ocean plastics through the land-based mechanisms by sharing expertise to: a) Promote reduce, reuse, recycle (3Rs) practices and strengthen

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local and regional markets for recycled plastics; b) Build social and behavior change (SBC) for 3Rs and sustainable Solid-Waste Management (SWM); c) Increase capacity and effective governance of SWM and recycling systems; and d) Support public-private partnerships (PPPs), and multi-stakeholders alliances.

2. Tetra Tech ARD Inc., Philippines Branch is implementing USAID CCBO project in the Philippines. The goal of CCBO is to test, scale, and share inclusive and sustainable reduce, reuse, recycle and solid waste management solutions at the local level.
3. Tuguegarao City, as provided by Republic Act of 2000, is mandated as primarily responsible in managing solid wastes generated within its jurisdiction. Furthermore, Tuguegarao City has developed a 10-year Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) based on Resolution No. 353-2017 titled "*Resolution Adopting and Approving the Solid Waste Management Plan of Tuguegarao City*" and has implemented and subsequently updated the said SWMP.
4. CCBO in collaboration with the Tuguegarao City Government shall implement activities that align and support the improvement of local government implementation of its updated SWMP.
5. Tetra Tech ARD Inc., Philippines Branch and the Tuguegarao City Government have agreed to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding to reflect their mutual intention to cooperate and coordinate the implementation of the USAID CCBO activities in Tuguegarao City.
6. There is a need for the passage of a resolution granting authority to the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, to sign for and on behalf of the Tuguegarao City Government the said MOU.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Finding the subject matter to be in order, with merit and beneficial to the Tuguegarao City Government and its constituents, the committee favorably recommends for the passage of a Resolution Approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the Tuguegarao City Government and the Tetra Tech ARD, Inc. relative to the implementation of USAID Clean Cities, Blue Ocean CCBO activities and the provision of technical assistance.

The committee further recommends for the passage of a Resolution Granting Authority to the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, to sign for and on behalf of the Tuguegarao City Government the said MOU.

Attached herewith is the Draft Resolution.

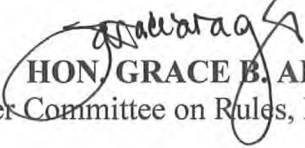
Respectfully submitted:



**HON. MARC ALDOUS C. MACCAY**  
Chairman, Committee on Rules, Laws and Ethics



**HON. JUDE T. BAYONA**  
Vice Chairman, Committee on Rules, Laws and Ethics



**HON. GRACE B. ARAGO**  
Member Committee on Rules, Laws and Ethics

**DRAFT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN THE TUGUEGARAO CITY GOVERNMENT AND THE TETRA TECH  
ARD, INC. RELATIVE TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE USAID CLEAN  
CITIES, BLUE OCEAN CCBO ACTIVITIES AND THE PROVISION OF TECHNICAL  
ASSISTANCE AND GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE CITY MAYOR, HON. MAILA  
ROSARIO S. TING-QUE, TO SIGN FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE  
TUGUEGARAO CITY GOVERNMENT THE SAID MOU**

**WHEREAS**, on August 28, 2019, USAID launched the Clean Cities, Blue Ocean (CCBO) Program. The Five-year (2019-2024), \$48 million program is the Agency's flagship program to respond to the global crisis of ocean plastic pollution. The CCBO has initiated the five-year program to stem the flow of ocean plastics through the land-based mechanisms by sharing expertise to: a) Promote reduce, reuse, recycle (3Rs) practices and strengthen local and regional markets for recycled plastics; b) Build social and behavior change (SBC) for 3Rs and sustainable Solid-Waste Management (SWM); c) Increase capacity and effective governance of SWM and recycling systems; and d) Support public-private partnerships (PPPs), and multi-stakeholders alliances;

**WHEREAS**, Tetra Tech ARD Inc., Philippines Branch is implementing USAID CCBO project in the Philippines. The goal of CCBO is to test, scale, and share inclusive and sustainable reduce, reuse, recycle and solid waste management solutions at the local level;

**WHEREAS**, Tuguegarao City, as provided by Republic Act of 2000, is mandated as primarily responsible in managing solid wastes generated within its jurisdiction. Furthermore, Tuguegarao City has developed a 10-year Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) based on Resolution No. 353-2017 titled "*Resolution Adopting and Approving the Solid Waste Management Plan of Tuguegarao City*" and has implemented and subsequently updated the said SWMP;

**WHEREAS**, CCBO in collaboration with the Tuguegarao City Government shall implement activities that align and support the improvement of local government implementation of its updated SWMP;

**WHEREAS**, Tetra Tech ARD Inc., Philippines Branch and the Tuguegarao City Government have agreed to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding to reflect their mutual intention to cooperate and coordinate the implementation of the USAID CCBO activities in Tuguegarao City;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for the passage of a resolution granting authority to the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, to sign for and on behalf of the Tuguegarao City Government the said MOU;

**NOW, THEREFORE RESOLVED**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Tuguegarao City Government and the Tetra Tech ARD, Inc. relative to the implementation of USAID Clean Cities, Blue Ocean CCBO activities and the provision of technical assistance and granting authority to the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, to sign for and on behalf of the Tuguegarao City Government the said MOU.

## Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

This Memorandum of Understanding is hereby made and entered into by and between Tetra Tech ARD, Inc. Philippines Branch implementing in the Philippines the USAID Clean Cities, Blue Ocean ("CCBO") program (hereinafter referred to as Tt ARD), represented by **MR. JOSE ANGELITO PALMA**, CCBO Philippines Country Director, and the City Government of Tuguegarao (hereinafter referred to as Tuguegarao City) represented by **MAYOR MAILA ROSARIO S. TING - QUE**. The terms and conditions herein appearing shall govern the roles, responsibilities, duties and obligations of the respective parties under this MOU; however this MOU shall be considered to be a good faith agreement to pursue the goals and objective described herein, and is non-binding and not legally enforceable on either party hereto.

### A. PARTIES

**Party I** – Tetra Tech ARD Inc, Philippines Branch is implementing USAID CCBO project in the Philippines and located at Taguig, Metro Manila whose representative is Mr. Jose Angelito Palma, CCBO Philippines Director. The goal of CCBO is to test, scale, and share inclusive and sustainable reduce, reuse, recycle and solid waste management solutions at the local level.

And

**Party II** – City Government of Tuguegarao, a government entity, established and existing under the laws of the Philippines, with principal office located at the City Hall in Tuguegarao City, Philippines and represented in this act by its Mayor Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que hereinafter referred to as Tuguegarao City.

### B. OBJECTIVE

Collectively the above Parties have agreed to enter into this MOU to reflect their mutual intention to cooperate and coordinate the implementation of the USAID CCBO activities in Tuguegarao City. CCBO has initiated a five-year program from 2019-2024 to stem the flow of ocean plastics through land-based mechanisms by sharing expertise to: a) Promote reduce, reuse, recycle (3Rs) practices and strengthen local and regional markets for recycled plastics; b) Build social and behavior change (SBC) for 3Rs and sustainable SWM; c) Increase capacity and effective governance of SWM and recycling systems; and d) Support public-private partnerships (PPPs), and multi-stakeholder alliances.

### C. BACKGROUND

On August 28, 2019, USAID launched the CCBO program. The five-year (2019-2024), \$48 million program is the Agency's flagship program to respond to the global crisis of ocean plastic pollution. CCBO is a global program, supporting focal countries across Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean. In the Philippines, CCBO works to test and scale solutions at the local level in select coastal cities, while also working with nongovernmental organizations, private sector/business entities, national-level counterparts to support national action plans, advance policy, and institutionalize best practices for national implementation. CCBO will engage participatorily with local communities—including those working in the SWM and recycling sectors, women, youth, informal waste collectors and other under-represented groups.

Tuguegarao City, as provided by Republic Act 9003, otherwise known as the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000, is mandated as primarily responsible in managing solid wastes

generated within its jurisdiction. Furthermore, Tuguegarao has developed a 10-year Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) and has implemented and subsequently updated the said SWMP. CCBO in collaboration with Tuguegarao City will implement activities that align and support the improvement of local government implementation of its updated SWMP.

#### **D. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES**

**D.1 Tt ARD** will be responsible for the following under this agreement.

1. Contribute technical assistance and in-kind resources on improvement of SWM and promotion of 3Rs within the City.
2. Facilitate leveraging of technical and financial resources from the private sector and other financing institutions to support activities identified in the improved SWMP.
3. Provide capacity building activities and technical trainings to selected stakeholders within the City (including at the Barangay level) on improving local governance and SWM/3R systems.
4. Facilitate CCBO Technical Working Group meetings and assist in the preparation of implementation progress reports.

**D.2 Tuguegarao City Government** shall be responsible for the following under this agreement:

1. Provide leadership and support in the implementation of activities under this MOU.
2. Designate LGU personnel and stakeholders to help coordinate and participate in USAID CCBO activities.
3. Form a CCBO Technical Working Group composed of LGU and CCBO representatives and other stakeholders to support the planning and implementation of the CCBO activities under this MOU.
4. Share relevant documents and information of SWM/3R activities implemented in the City for effective coordination and collaboration.
5. Provide technical and in-kind resources (e.g. training venue, transportation, internet, SWM facilities, etc.) in support of CCBO and LGU activities that benefit the City's constituents.
6. Support the institutionalization and replication of the CCBO project lessons on SWM/3R, social behavior change, governance, gender equity, etc. within the City.

**D.3 Both Parties** acknowledge and agree that Tt ARD implements the CCBO project under the direction of USAID. Any commitments made by Tt ARD in this MOU are subject to change at any time based on direction from USAID and/or the availability of funding for the CCBO project.

#### **E. TERM**

The Parties shall perform respective agreed upon responsibilities over a period from the date of signing until April 31, 2025, unless otherwise modified in accordance with clauses I or K below.

#### **F. FUNDING AND EXPENSES**

This MOU does not obligate any funds to the Tuguegarao City Government employees working with CCBO. Unless otherwise mutually and explicitly provided and agreed upon in writing, all expenses and costs incurred by either Party shall be borne by the Party incurring the same and neither shall be obliged to reimburse the other.

with other agreements or contracts entered into between the parties, either prior to or subsequent to the signing of the MOU, unless otherwise stated herein.

Nothing in this MOU shall be construed as constituting any Party as the agent of the other Party for any purpose whatsoever and neither of the Parties shall have the authority or power to bind the others or to contract in the name of or create a liability against the other Parties in any way.

This MOU and all notices and amendments to it shall be executed in the English language.

**N. ACCEPTANCE AND EXECUTION**

This Memorandum of Understanding is made on the day and year stated below in two originals in the English language, all texts being equally authentic. Acceptance of the terms of this agreement shall be indicated by both Parties on the lines provided below and by initialing each page of this agreement. The Parties hereby accept the terms of this agreement.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this MOU:**

For TTARD

For Tuguegarao City

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Signed: Mr. Jose Angelito M. Palma

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Signed: Mayor Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que

Dated:

Dated:

Place:

Place:

**SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF:**

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Signed: (Name, Designation)

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Signed: (Name, Designation)

Date:

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