# Republic of the Philippines Province of Cagayan TUGUEGARAO CITY

# TENTH CITY COUNCIL

# **COMMITTEE REPORT**

September 25, 2025

# Submitted by:

# COMMITTEE ON GAMES, ENTERTAINMENT AND AMUSEMENT

# PRESENT:

HON. TIRSO V. MANGADA - Chairperson
HON. DENNIS RYAN G. AVILA - Member
HON. RONALDO S. ORTIZ - Member

#### **RESOURCE PERSONS:**

MR. BUENAVENTURA F. LAGUNDI - City Treasurer

MS. EVELYN CANAPI - Acting Assistant City Treasurer ATTY. JOMAR MALLILLIN - City Legal Office Representative

MR. JOEL C. BARIUAN - OIC-BPLO Head

ATTY. JOZSEF FURIGAY - Dupaya Cockpit Representative MR. SAMMY TULIAO - Manager, Dupaya Cockpit

ATTY. ED ARMAND VENTULERO - Vargas Sports Col. Representative

PCPT FLAVIANO ACEBEDO - PNP PSSG. KRISTIN-JOY LANGCAY - PNP

# FOR THE PRESIDING OFFICER:

The committee met and deliberated on the referral:

# **COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 41-10-2025**

## SUBJECT:

Indorsement of the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, on the letter of the owner/operator of the New Dupaya Cockpit Stadium, Ms. Elizabeth G. Dupaya relative to their request for special cockfights and letter for reconsideration of Vargas Sports Coliseum as attached to Committee Report No. 32-10-2025.

#### FINDINGS:

1. Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que indorsed to the Tenth City Council the letter of the owner/operator of the New Dupaya Cockpit Stadium, Ms. Elizabeth G. Dupaya relative to their request for special cockfights and letter for reconsideration of Vargas Sports Coliseum as attached to Committee Report No. 32-10-2025.

- 2. During the meeting, Section 3, Letter C of Presidential Decree No. 449 was reiterated, emphasizing the need to remove and prevent excessive and unreasonable business operations and profit considerations in the management of cockpits, and instead to preserve Philippine customs and traditions, thereby enhancing our national identity.
- 3. As a reiteration and consistent with the previous report to prevent excessive cockfighting operations in the City, it was noted that both operators had requested permission to conduct special cockfights twice per week. After deliberation, the Committee members agreed to limit and approve only one day per week for each cockpit operator.
- 4. As confirmed by the authorized representative of the operators, the approval of only one day of special cockfights per week will still enable them to extend support to the identified beneficiaries, subject, however, to an adjustment in the amount to be provided.
- 5. It was also manifested and suggested that the identified beneficiaries for the disapproved dates may still be accommodated and provided support during the regular derbies.
- 6. Hon. Tirso V. Mangada recommended the disapproval of the request, upholding the decision rendered in the previous Committee Report during the 12th Regular Session, which allows only one day of special cockfights.
- 7. Hon. Ronaldo S. Ortiz favored consideration of the request, noting that Dupaya and Vargas Cockpit Management have already identified their beneficiaries specifically cancer patients, dialysis patients, and individuals with heart failure who are in need of financial assistance.
- 8. Hon. Dennis Ryan G. Avila abstained from making a decision on the letter request.

### RECOMMENDATION:

After a thorough discussion and deliberation, the Committee recommends to submit the matter to the Plenary for its final consideration.

Respectfully Submitted:

HON. TIRSO V. MANGADA

Chairperson

HON, RONALDO S. ORTIZ

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HON. DENNISAYAN G. AVILA

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