

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Cagayan
TUGUEGARAO CITY

TENTH CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

Submitted by:

COMMITTEE ON GAMES, ENTERTAINMENT AND AMUSEMENT

PRESENT: NOVEMBER 25, 2025

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| HON. TIRSO V. MANGADA | - Chairperson |
| HON. JUDE T. BAYONA | - Vice Chairperson |
| HON. RONALDO S. ORTIZ | - Member |

RESOURCE PERSONS:

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| MR. RYAN BALUBAL | - BPLO Representative |
| MR. BUENAVENTURA F. LAGUNDI | - City Treasury Officer |
| PCPT. IAN PAUL VALEROS | - PNP |
| PEMS IVAN ROBERTO DANA O | - PNP |
| ATTY. ED ARMAND VENTOLERO | - Vargas Sports Coliseum Representative |
| MS. VICIE MALLILLIN | - Vargas Sports Coliseum Representative |

PRESENT: NOVEMBER 27, 2025

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| HON. RONALDO S. ORTIZ | - Member |
| HON. DENNIS RYAN G. AVILA | - Member |

FOR THE PRESIDING OFFICER:

The committee met and deliberated on the referral:

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 91-10-2025

ACTION TAKEN:

The committee held its initial meeting on November 25, 2025, however, due to the lack of a quorum, no official actions were taken. Since the resource persons were present, the committee proceeded with a discussion of the matter. A subsequent meeting was convened on November 27, 2025 to formally finalize and deliberate on the subject.

SUBJECT:

Indorsement of the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, on the application of Mr. John Vargas Esquillo for the holding of special cockfights to be held at Vargas Sports Coliseum on February 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2026 for information and appropriate action.


FINDINGS:

1. Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que indorsed to the Tenth City Council the request of Mr. John Vargas-Esquillo relative to the holding of special cockfights on various dates for the month of February for information and appropriate action.
2. Section 10 Paragraph D of the City Ordinance No. 32-08-2019 states that the City Mayor may issue permits for special cockfights, cock or stag derbies including cockfights via satellite participated in by cockers and breeders through invitations upon application duly approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod through resolution **30-working days** before the scheduled playdate and the City Ordinance also states that the authority to hold special cockfights or derbies and Barangay sponsored cockfights should always be covered by a Resolution of the Sangguniang Panlungsod and the Mayor's Permit.
3. During the meeting, the representative of Vargas Sports Coliseum presented to the Committee a copy of the Secretary's Certificate authorizing Atty. Ed Armand T. Ventolero to appear and represent the corporation during the Committee Hearing.
4. Section 4, Letter F of the Presidential Decree 449 states that no gambling of any kind shall be permitted on the premises of the cockpit or place of cockfighting during cockfights.
5. As manifested by the resource person, the requested special cockfighting is a hackfight in nature with the purpose of providing a total fixed amount of P10,000.00 cash support to the beneficiaries for the following mentioned dates below:
 - a. February 3, 2026- Ms. Jaschia Cyrene S. Calayan, 22 years old from Linao Norte, diagnosed with Acute Promyelocytic Leukemia.
 - b. February 10, 2025- Mr. Francisco P. Mallillin, 32 years old from Pallua Norte, diagnosed with Chronic Hyperthyroidism.
 - c. February 10, 2026- Mr. Victor Tumanguil, 50 years old from Linao Norte, diagnosed with Chronic Kidney Disease End Renal Stage.
 - d. February 17, 2026- Mr. James Cabautan from Cataggaman Pardo, bed ridden.
 - e. February 24, 2026- Maida Baccay, 43 years old from Libag Norte, diagnosed with Chronic Myelogenous Leukemia.
6. Vargas Sports Coliseum has fully complied with all the recommendation by the City Council.
7. The Committee required the Vargas Sports Coliseum representative to submit a Statement of Report for each special cockfight event.
8. The Committee recommends the approval of the requested schedules for the conduct of special cockfights on February 3, 10, 17, and 24, 2026 only, as these dates are found to be in compliance with Section 10 Paragraph D of the City Ordinance No. 32-08-2019.

RECOMMENDATION:

After thorough discussion and upon finding the request to be advantageous to the Tuguegarao City Government, the Committee recommends the approval of the request of Vargas Sports Coliseum to hold special cockfights on February 3, 10, 17, and 24, 2026, subject to strict compliance with City Ordinance No. 32-08-2019 governing the conduct of special cockfights. The approval is further conditioned upon operating only until 12:00 midnight, and any failure to secure a special permit from the Office of the City Mayor for the conduct of these special cockfights shall be grounds for the recall of the resolution approving the same.

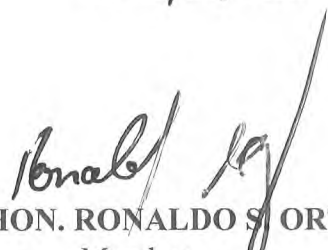
Respectfully Submitted:



HON. TIRSO V. MANGADA
Chairperson



HON. JUDE T. BAYONA
Vice Chairperson



HON. RONALDO S. ORTIZ
Member



HON. DENNIS RYAN G. AVILA
Member

**DRAFT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REQUEST OF VARGAS SPORTS
COLISEUM TO HOLD SPECIAL COCKFIGHTS ON FEBRUARY 3, 10, 17, and 24, 2026**

WHEREAS, the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que indorsed to the Tenth City Council the request of Mr. John Vargas-Esquillo relative to the holding of special cockfights at the Vargas Sports Coliseum for information and appropriate action;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10 Paragraph D of the City Ordinance No. 32-08-2019 states that the City Mayor may issue permits for special cockfights, cock or stag derbies including cockfights via satellite participated in by cockers and breeders through invitations upon application duly approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod through resolution 30-working days before the scheduled playdate and the City Ordinance also states that the authority to hold special cockfights or derbies and Barangay sponsored cockfights should always be covered by a Resolution of the Sangguniang Panlungsod and the Mayor's Permit;

WHEREAS, the approval is further conditioned upon operating only until 12:00 midnight, and the conduct of special cockfights must strictly comply with City Ordinance No. 32-08-2019, moreover, the failure of Vargas Sports Coliseum to secure a special permit from the Office of the City Mayor for the conduct of special cockfights shall be grounds for the recall of the resolution approving such activities;

WHEREAS, as manifested by the resource person, the requested special cockfighting is a hackfight in nature with the purpose of providing a total fixed amount of P10,000.00 cash support to the beneficiaries for the following mentioned dates below:

- a. February 3, 2026- Ms. Jaschia Cyrene S. Calayan, 22 years old from Linao Norte, diagnosed with Acute Promyelocytic Leukemia.
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WHEREAS, after the discussion of the said request, the committee approved the following scheduled play dates:

February 3,
February 10,
February 17, and
February 24, 2026

WHEREAS, by virtue of the Committee Report No. 76-10-2025 of Committee on Games, Amusement and Entertainment recommends the approval for the conduct of special derbies on February 3, 10, 17, and 24, 2026 only was duly adopted during the 21st Regular Session of the Sangguniang Panglungsod held on November 28, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVE, as it is hereby, **RESOLVED**, to approve the request of Vargas Sports Coliseum to hold special cockfights on February 3, 10, 17, and 24, 2026 only.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to furnish a copy of this resolution to Vargas Sports Coliseum for information.