



Republic of the Philippines
 City of Roxas
 Office Of The Sangguniang Panlungsod



EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE HONORABLE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF ROXAS, HELD AT THE SP SESSION HALL MARCH 28, 2023.

PRESENT: Hon. Teresa H. Almalbis ... Vice Mayor I
 Presiding Officer
 Hon. Victor Federico B. Acepcion ... Sanggunian Member I
 Hon. Jaime Cortes M. Altavas ... Sanggunian Member I
 Hon. John Paul J. Arcenas ... Sanggunian Member I
 Hon. Paul Ivan R. Baticados ... Sanggunian Member I
 Hon. Reynaldo C. Magallanes ... Sanggunian Member I
 Hon. Herbert S. Chu ... Sanggunian Member I
 Hon. Fernando Luis A. Viterbo ... Sanggunian Member I
 Hon. Moreno A. Gonzaga ... Sanggunian Member I
 Hon. Kriza V. Fernando (SK Rep) ... Sanggunian Member I

ABSENT:
 Hon. Albert Gregory Y. Potato ... Sanggunian Member I (O.B.)
 Hon. Earl C. Sicad ... Sanggunian Member I (PTL)
 Hon. Virgilio A. Santos, Jr. (ABC Rep) ... Sanggunian Member I (O.B.)

ORDINANCE NO. 009 - 2023

AN ORDINANCE ALLOCATING TWENTY PERCENT 20% OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT'S PHILHEALTH CLAIM OF THE ROXAS CITY DIAGNOSTIC AND LABORATORY CENTER AS HONORARIA OF REGULAR, CONTRACT OF SERVICE, AND JOB ORDER PERSONNELS WHO ARE DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE MANAGEMENT AND DELIVERY OF SERVICES TO COVID-19 PATIENTS, SUSPECTS AND DIRECT CONTACTS

Sponsored by Hon. Paul Ivan R. Baticados
 Unanimously Seconded

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 15 of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of RA No. 7160 mandates that local government units shall promote the health and safety of its constituents;

WHEREAS, the President of the Philippines issued Proclamation 1218 s. 2021 further extending the State of Calamity for the period of one year from 13 September 2021 until 12 September 2022;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused an immense impact on the country such as economic and social disruption;

WHEREAS, health emergencies, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, challenges the availability of health workers with the capacities to respond efficiently and effectively to the demand for health care services in times of pandemic;

WHEREAS, one of the objectives of the State as stated in Section 3 (d) of Republic Act No. 11494 is to, "Enhance the capacity of the Philippine health care system to eliminate, prevent, and control disease outbreaks and pandemics and mitigate the effects of other health or life-threatening concerns by ensuring budgetary support for health care";

WHEREAS, the Roxas City Diagnostic and Laboratory Center (RCDLC) was one of those strategies taken by the City Government as response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which has been providing RT-PCR swab test and operational since October 2020;

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WHEREAS, under DOH Memorandum No. 2020-0439, the PhilHealth provides payments/reimbursement for the swab tests for those positive, direct contacts and suspects of COVID-19 virus;

WHEREAS, a number of health care workers and employees assigned in the Roxas City Diagnostic and Laboratory Center, Hortus Botanicus T*TMF, E-Consulta, City Health Office, CDRRMO, Command Center, among others, were mobilized in the city's response and management of patients, suspects and direct contacts of COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, PhilHealth has been providing benefits to health workers in the implementation of health services, such as the PCB1 under PhilHealth Circular No. 10, s 2012 which provided for 20% share from PhilHealth claims for health workers; and the Birthing Clinic under PhilHealth Circular 022-2014 which provides for 40% share for health workers;

WHEREAS, PhilHealth, however, failed to provide any benefits to personnel who are directly involved in the provision of health services and response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which is considered highly risky and dangerous;

WHEREAS, the city government is very much aware of this and willing to allocate twenty percent (20%) of its PhilHealth Claim as Honoraria of these regular, contract of service and job order personnel who were directly involved in the response and management of COVID-19 patients, suspects and direct contacts in the city.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD, IN SESSION DULY ASSEMBLED, THAT:

Section 1. The amount equivalent to twenty percent (20%) of PhilHealth Claims of the Roxas City Diagnostic and Laboratory Center shall be allocated as honoraria of regular, contract of service and job order personnels who are directly involved in the management and delivery of services of COVID-19 patients, suspects and direct contacts in line with the COVID-19 response of the City. The allocation shall be distributed as follows:

PERCENT	PERSONNEL TO RECEIVE HONORARIA
50%	Laboratory personnel and doctors
6%	COVID-19 Coordinator
9%	CDRRMO
12%	E-Consulta and Command Center
8%	Admin Officer, PhilHealth Coordinator and Encoder
15%	CIU Staff Facility and Supply Officer

Section 2. The City Health Office shall submit for approval of the City Mayor (1) a list of those employees who are directly involved in the COVID-19 response of the City, (2) the percentage of allocation per office and per employee so that those who are more exposed to risk and danger shall be allocated more benefits.

Section 3. The City Accountant Office shall compute the twenty percent (20%) of PhilHealth claims paid to the Roxas City Diagnostic and Laboratory Center (RCDLC) and shall be the basis for the computation of benefits for each office and the employees involved in the COVID-19 response. The submission and processing of claims for PhilHealth share shall be at least three months apart from each other.

Section 4. Copy of this ordinance shall be furnished to the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation through its Provincial Service Office for their information.

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Section 5. Repealing Clause. All ordinances, implementing rules and regulations, and executive orders, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.


Section 6. Separability Clause. If, for any reason or reasons, 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 continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 7. Effectivity Clause. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.


Unanimously Approved.

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I hereby certify that this Ordinance was duly passed and approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Roxas City on the date herein stated.



DINO C. BELUSO
SP Secretary

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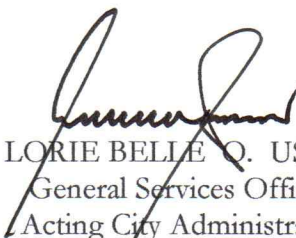

TERESA H. ALMALBIS
Vice Mayor I
Presiding Officer

APPROVED:-----

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RONNIE T. DADIVAS
City Mayor

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General Services Officer
Acting City Administrator