

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Ilocos Sur
MUNICIPALITY OF VIGAN

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

Ordinance No. 8
Series of 1994

“1994 PUBLIC SAFETY CODE OF VIGAN.”

Section 1. Title – This ordinance shall be known as the “1994 PUBLIC SAFETY CODE OF VIGAN”.

Section 2. Definition – The following definition of terms shall be applicable in this ordinance:

- 2.1. Applicant/s for Mayor’s Permit to Hold a Local celebration – shall refer to the organizer/s of the celebration to be represented hereof by a duly authorized officer.
- 2.2. Fiesta – is a form of celebration to commemorate a patron saint, anniversary, foundation or any other similar reason for holding a fiesta.
- 2.3. Fireworks – involve the use of firecrackers and pyrotechnics that are produced with fire to generate a scenic entertaining effect and or explosion normally included as a part of a celebration.
- 2.4. Local celebration – are activities involving the gathering of people in a public place such as carnivals, college days, concerts, fairs, festivals, fiestas, fund – raising activities, motorcades, processions, sports events and variety shows.
- 2.5. Public Place – is an area where a group of people hold local celebrations as herein defined, such as but not limited to auditoriums, hotel premises, markets, movie houses, parks and plazas, pavilions, public buildings or buildings for hire, recreation centers restaurants, schools or any other area where public or group gathering can be accommodated.

Section 3. Responsibilities of the Sangguniang Bayan Committee on Peace and Order

3.1. Handling of Firecrackers and other Pyrotechnic Displays:

- 3.1.1. Regulation of the use of firecrackers / pyrotechnics during festivals and fiestas through the Vigan Fire Marshall who shall designate a Fire Protection Officer to supervise the use of fireworks during the festivities, if any.
- 3.1.2. Handling of fireworks / pyrotechnics only by authorized persons during the celebrations through the applicant / organizer” duly authorized officer who shall designate such persons, preferably barangay tanods or substitute persons not less than 18 years old.
- 3.1.3. Prohibition of persons handling firecrackers to board bancas / boats participating in fluvial parades, with such handling strictly prohibited by this ordinance.

3.1.4. Designation of place/s where fireworks will be undertaken through the Vigan Fire Protection Officer assigned as supervisor herefor.

3.2. Fire Safety and Readiness to Respond to Emergencies

3.2.1. Fire trucks and other fire – fighting equipment and personnel including paramedic teams to be on full alert status during celebrations through the Vigan Fire protection Marshall who shall be advised of such activities and details thereof by the Office of the Mayor.

3.3. Sanitation and Hygiene Requirement

3.3.1. Supervision by a sanitary inspector, to be designated by the MHO, of make shift / temporary eating places, e.g. carinderia, turo – turo catering to the people.

3.3.2. Cleaning / clearing of clogged drainage and sewers to be jointly undertaken by the duly designated sanitary inspector and Municipal Engineering personnel under the supervision of the Municipal Engineer or Foreman.

3.4. Crime and Criminal Elements

3.4.1. Fielding of crowd control personnel or marshals to avoid the incidence of panic and stampedes which shall be a joint undertaking of the Vigan Police Station Commander and Barangay Chairman concerned through a police officer and the barangay tanods concerned.

3.4.2. Assigning of police personnel, through the Station Commander to be on the lookout for criminal elements such as pickpockets, drug pushers / users, gyps, etc.

Section 4. Responsibility of Public Safety – Public safety shall be the primary responsibility of the Municipal Mayor, Police Station Commander, and the applicant / organizer’s chairman or president. as such, these are their roles and responsibilities.

4.1. Mayor

4.1.1. Ensure that the provisions of this ordinance are effectively disseminated and implemented by all concerned.

4.1.2. Require the festival organizer to submit a detailed action plan for the celebration by filling – up the Public Safety Code Mayor’s Permit Applicant Form in triplicate copies for the organizer, the Police Station Commander, and the Office of the Mayor.

4.1.3. Coordinate the activities of all sectors involved in the planning, preparation and conduct of local celebrations.

4.2. Police Station Commander

4.2.1. Maintain peace and order.

- 4.2.2. Provide protection and ensure safety of all persons from criminal elements.
- 4.2.3. Monitor movements of people and deploy police officers where festivities are being held.
- 4.2.4. Oversee the smooth flow of traffic, people and vehicles.
- 4.2.5. Provide other emergency safety measures to cope with any eventuality during local celebrations.
- 4.2.6. Supervise the implementation of provisions of this ordinance which are delegated to the Vigan Police Station Commander.

4.3. Chairman / President of the Festival Organizers

- 4.3.1. Ensure that all safety precautions as contained in this ordinance and in the Code of Public Safety Mayor’s permit Application Form are strictly observed in the planning, preparation and actual conduct of local celebrations.
- 4.3.2. Designate marshals to guarantee safety and orderliness during parade, procession and during local celebrations.
- 4.3.3. Organizer to ensure cleanliness after celebration.
- 4.3.4. Comply with all the other requirements prescribed in this ordinance.

Section 5. Issuance of Mayor’s Permit – Any individual, group or organization intending to hold any local celebration shall first apply for and secure a Mayor’s Permit at least fifteen (15) days before actual conduct of the affair. The applicant form integrates the detailed action plan for the celebration and must be duly signed by the applicant’s chairman / president or duly authorized representative.

Section 6. Permit and Service Fees – The following fees are hereby prescribed and payable to the Municipal Treasurer as pre – requisites for the issuance of the Mayor’s Permit.

6.1. Mayor’s Permit	P 20.00
6.2. Fireworks Regulatory and Supervision Fee	50.00
6.3. Service Fee	50.00

Section 7. Exemptions – Festivities during the Vigan Town Fiesta every month of January and during the yearly May festival celebration which are duly authorized by the Municipal Government of Vigan are hereby exempted from Mayor’s Permit coverage and the fees prescribed herein. Provided, however, that all other provisions of this Code shall be complied with accordingly. Similar exemptions shall be applicable to religious activities and barangay fiestas, provided, however, that all other provisions of this Code shall be complied with accordingly.

Section 8. Penalty – The following penalty provisions are hereby prescribed.

- 8.1. Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall be fined One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) or an imprisonment of ten (10) days or both upon the discretion of the court.

Section 9. Amendatory and Repealing Clause – Any existing local executive orders, rules, regulations and/or ordinances which shall be found inconsistent with this ordinance shall be deemed amended and/or repealed accordingly.

Section 10. Effectivity – This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved: August 1, 1994 at Vigan, Ilocos Sur.

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