Republic of the Philippines Province of Leyte Municipality of Palo

Office of the Mayor



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 19 Series 2021

"AN ORDER CREATING THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG) ON THE PREPARATION OF THE FOREST LAND USE PLAN (FLUP) OF PALO, LEYTE"

WHEREAS, climate change is the current crises the world is experiencing today and it is an international issue that concerns all the field of research and expertise of politics and economics;

WHEREAS, to strategize and develop measures and mitigate and adapt the illeffect brought about by the phenomenon with the active involvement and participation by the populace;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Unit headed by its planners, implementers and other stakeholders will lead action in a systematic formulation of the municipality's FLUP following the context of Sustainable Forest Management (SFM) approach;

WHEREAS, the LGU needs to come up with a concise roadmap in adherence of R.A 7160 (Chapter 1, section 3, i.) 1991 "Local Government Units hall share with the national government the responsibility in the management and maintenance of ecological balance within their territorial jurisdiction subject to the provision of this code and national policies";

WHEREAS, preparation of FLUP will provide direction to all stakeholders in managing their respective Forest and Forestlands (FFL) guided with the principles on biodiversity management, vulnerability assessment/ climate change adaptation, disaster risk reduction of emissions from the deforestation and continuous forest degradation;

WHEREAS, consistent to E.O 318 (Sec. 2.6.6) "FLUP shall be incorporated by the LGUs in their Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP). National agencies shall assist LGUs in this endeavor."

WHEREAS, in accordance with Sec. 4 of E.O 192 (series of 1997) "The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) shall be the primary government agency in development of country's environment and natural resources thus, partnership and collaboration with the agency must be strengthened."

WHEREAS, pursuant to DENR-DILG Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) 98-01 (Sec.1.3 and 9.1-a) CLUP and FLUP are important tools in the holistic and efficient management of forest resources. Towards the end, the DENR and LGU together with other government agencies shall undertake FLUP as integral activity of the CLUP to determine the optimum and balance-use of natural resources to support local, regional, and national growth development.

Moreover, the DENR Central Office has ordered the Regional Directors to organize FLUP Teams at the provincial, city and municipal levels in coordination with the concerned Local Chief Executive who shall likewise issue the appropriate orders on their participation in the FLUP;

WHEREAS, thru DENR-DILG JMC 2003-01 (Sec.3) "The following shall be the primary concerns of the partnership, the undertaking of transparent, accountable and national and local agencies and other sectors and clearly specified";

NOW THEREFORE, I, FRANCES ANN B. PETILLA., Municipal Mayor of Palo, Leyte, by virtue of the power vested in me by the law, do hereby order the creation of the Technical Working Group responsibilities, to wit:

Section 1. Composition. The FLUP-TWG shall be composed of the following:

CHAIRPERSON: CO-CHAIRPERSON: Engr. Armand C. Cabaltera, MPDC Melvin C. Millar, MENRO - Designate

MEMBERS:

Eumelia I. Creer, Zoning Officer - Designate

Ben G. Oriondo, MPDO Staff Lorna Abrantes, MPDO Staff

Jasmine C. Estrada, Social Welfare Officer III Ana N. Lagao, Assessment Clerk II, Mun. Assessor

Nestor C. Labajoy, Agriculture's Office Joji B. Espina, Agriculture's Staff Denis C. Travieza, MDRRMO Melody G. Montilla, Tourism Officer

Hubert B. Baldesco, Draftsman I, MEO

Joel Bienvenido I. Daga, Draftsman I, Mun. Assessor

Section 2. Duties and Responsibilities

- 1. Lead in the preparation of the FLUP in collaboration with the DENR-FLUP Team;
- Conduct regular consultation meetings among stakeholders and communities to ensure veracity of the data gathered as reference in the plan preparation;
- 3. Ensure to follow the participative approach in a Governance- Oriented Forest Land Use Planning;
- 4. Regularly apprise the Local Chief Executive and the Legislative on the plan preparation.

Section 3. Repealing Clause. All orders, issuances and memoranda inconsistent herewith are deemed superseded, cancelled and/or revoked.

Section 4. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in Phu Leyte this Min 101, 2021.

HON. FRANCES ANN B. PETILLA Municipal Mayor