



Excerpt from the  
MINUTES OF THE 30<sup>th</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD  
OF BAYBAY CITY, LEYTE, HELD AT THE SESSION HALL ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2008.

PRESENT:

HON. ERNESTO M. BUTAWAN..... Sangguniang Panlungsod Member  
Actg. Presiding Officer  
HON. CRISTELO S. LORETO..... Sangguniang Panlungsod Member  
HON. LEONIDO A. BERAY..... -do-  
HON. LOLITO C. MUÑEZ..... -do-  
HON. ERLINDO P. LAPLANA..... -do-  
HON. TERESITA J. VELOSO..... -do-  
HON. CARLO S. ENRIQUEZ..... -do-

ABSENT:

HON. REX A. RETANA..... OIC, City Mayor  
HON. MARGARITA C. CARI..... SP Member, OB, Cebu  
HON. CARL NICOLAS L. CARI..... SP Member, OB, Tacloban

CITY ORDINANCE NO. 007 S. 2008

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BPI SPECIAL QUARANTINE ORDER NO. 01,  
SERIES OF 2007, AND REGULATING THE ENTRY OF PALM TREES,  
ORNAMENTAL PLANTS AND FRUIT-BEARING TREES INTO THE TERRITORIAL  
JURISDICTION OF BAYBAY CITY AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREOF.

Principally Authored and Introduced by: Hon. SP Member Erlindo P. Laplana and Hon.  
SP Member Leonido A. Beray :

WHEREAS, the city of Baybay is one of the main producers of copra and other  
coconut products in the province of Leyte;

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture (DA) issued through the Bureau of Plant  
Industry (BPI) Special Quarantine Order No. 01, series of 2007, Amendment to  
Administrative Order No. 03, series 2005, (Declaring Coconut Leaf Beetle, Brontispa  
Longissimus (Gestro) Invasive Quarantine Pest of Coconut, Coco nucifera and providing  
measures to Regulate and Prevent its Spread)

WHEREAS, the Malacañang issued an Executive Order No. 664, Establishing  
emergency measures to control and eradicate the spread and damage of Brontispa in  
the Philippine coconut industry and designating the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA)  
as the lead agency for the purpose.

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Executive Orders are designed to protect and  
preserve the coconut industries of the coconut producing provinces in our country;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the mandate of the Local Government Unit under  
the Local Government Code of 1991, a City Ordinance No. 007 is hereby promulgated  
as follows:

Section 1 - DEFINITION OF TERMS



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| 1. Coconut leaf beetle | - | Brontispa longissima   |
| 2. PCA                 | - | Philippine Coconut Authority   |
| 3. BPI                 | - | Bureau of Plant Industry   |
| 4. Quarantine          | - | the enforced isolation for a fixe period of persons, ships, or goods arriving from places infected with contagious disease, or of any persons who have been exposed to such infection.   |
| 5. Checkpoints         | - | is the place established by the LGU of the City of Baybay for purposes of checking the entry of coconut planting materials, ornamental plants and fruit bearing trees to determine if the same are carriers of the coconut leaf beetle, otherwise known as the Brontispa longissima. |

Section 2. - PROHIBITED ACTS

1. Transporting to the territorial jurisdiction of Baybay City coconut seedlings and other palm species, ornamental plants and other planting materials inspected and identified by the DA as carrier of the pests known as Brontispa Longissima.

2. Transporting of coconut leaves, nuts identified to be infected with coconut beetle within the territorial jurisdiction of Baybay City.

Section 3. EXEMPTION

1. Entry to or transporting within the city of Baybay any of coconut planting materials and other ornamental plants is allowed provided there is a permit to transport issued by the PCA/DA authorized personnel or any Quarantine officer.

Section 4. PENALTY

a) First offense - confiscation of illegally transported planting materials, any violator should pay a fine of P2,000.00.

b) Second offense - confiscation of illegally transported plants, and violators should pay a fine of P2,500.00 and imprisonment of not more than 10 days but not less than 5 days.

Section 5 - EFFECTIVITY

This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Enacted September 22, 2008

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance which was duly adopted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod during its regular session held on September 22, 2008.

**VERULINA A. FERNANDEZ**

Records Officer 1  
Actg. SP Secretary

ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED

TO BE DULY ADOPTED

**ERNESTO M. BUTAWAN**

SP Member  
Actg. Presiding Officer

APPROVED BY HIS HONOR:

**REX A. RETANA**  
OIC, City Mayor