



Office of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 39th REGULAR SESSION OF THE 12th SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF ISABELA HELD AT THE PROVINCIAL CAPITOL, CITY OF ILAGAN, ISABELA ON APRIL 27, 2026.

PRESENT:

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| ED CHRISTIAN S. GO | Member (2nd District) & Presiding Officer Pro Tempore |
| JOSE T. PANGANIBAN, JR. | Member (3rd District) & Floor Leader Pro Tempore |
| EVYN JAY C. DIAZ | Member (1st District) |
| EMMANUEL JOSELITO B. AÑES | Member (1st District) |
| ANGELICA L. REYES | Member (2nd District) |
| RAMON JUAN N. REYES, JR. | Member (3rd District) |
| CLIFFORD R. RASPADO | Member (4th District) |
| ABEGAIL V. SABLE | Member (4th District) |
| JONATHAN JOSE C. CALDERON | Member (5th District) |
| MANUEL FAUSTINO U. DY | Member (5th District) |
| MARCO PAOLO A. MERIS | Member (6th District) |
| AMADOR A. GAFFUD, JR. | Member (6th District) |
| ANTONIO S. HUI | Member, PCL Federation President |
| CATHERINE JOY L. LEGASPI | Member, SK Federation President |

ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

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| FRANCIS FAUSTINO A. DY | Vice Governor |
| MARIA KATRINA JESSICA G. DY | Member, LnB Federation President |

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-16-04
 Series of 2026

A RESOLUTION UPHOLDING THE VALIDITY OF ORDINANCE NO. 2026-08 OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CORDON, ISABELA ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE RECLASSIFYING LOT NO. 7-B-A OF THE SUBDIVISION PLAN PSD-(AF)-02-059244, BEING A PORTION OF LOT 7, PCS-2-02-00590, COVERED BY TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE (TCT) NO. T-25687, CONTAINING AN AREA OF SIXTY (60) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, SITUATED IN BARANGAY VILLAMARZO, CORDON, ISABELA, AND OWNED BY MS. MARICEL BALIMBIN, FROM PROTECTION AGRICULTURAL ZONE TO RESIDENTIAL ZONE"

Sponsor: HON. ED CHRISTIAN S. GO
 Chairperson, Committee on Housing, Subdv. & Land Use Classification

WHEREAS, Section 20 (a) of R. A. 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991 grants a municipality the power to authorize the reclassification of agricultural lands into a residential, commercial or industrial purposes and was more specifically stated as follows:

"A city or municipality may, through an ordinance passed by the Sanggunian after conducting public hearings for the purpose, authorize the reclassification of agricultural lands and provide for the manner of their utilization or disposition in the following cases: (1) when the land ceases to be economically feasible and sound for agricultural purposes as determined by the Department of Agriculture or (2) where the land shall have substantially greater economic value for residential, commercial, or industrial purposes, as determined by the Sanggunian concerned: Provided, That

Nagkaisa para sa Isabela



A RESOLUTION UPHOLDING THE VALIDITY OF ORDINANCE NO. 2026-08 OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CORDON, ISABELA ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE RECLASSIFYING LOT NO. 7-B-A OF THE SUBDIVISION PLAN PSD-(AF)-02-059244, BEING A PORTION OF LOT 7, PCS-2-02-00590, COVERED BY TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE (TCT) NO. T-25687, CONTAINING AN AREA OF SIXTY (60) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, SITUATED IN BARANGAY VILLAMARZO, CORDON, ISABELA, AND OWNED BY MS. MARICEL BALIMBIN, FROM PROTECTION AGRICULTURAL ZONE TO RESIDENTIAL ZONE"

such reclassification shall be limited to the following percentage of the total agricultural land area at the time of the passage of the ordinance";

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2026-08 was enacted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Cordon, Isabela, reclassifying a 60 square meters, more or less portion of Lot No. 7-B of subdivision plan Psd-(af)-02-059244 which is registered under Transfer Certificate of Title No. TSC-25687 located in Brgy. Villamarzo, Cordon, Isabela from protection agricultural zone to residential zone;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Unit of Cordon, Isabela found the subject property's highest and best use (HIBU) would be best fit to Residential Zone due to its current utilization and is more reflective of its present value. Such authority of an LGU to reclassify agricultural lands into commercial, residential or industrial purposes and determine the property's greater economic value thru the sound discretion of the local Sanggunian is empowered under R.A. No. 7160;

WHEREAS, under MC No. 54, Series of 1993, Section 3, "*All ordinances authorizing the reclassification of agricultural lands shall be subject to the review and approval by the province in the case of component city or municipality*";

WHEREAS, having been authorized to review ordinances reclassifying agricultural lands under the abovesaid Memorandum Circular, the Committee on Housing, Subdivision and Land Use Classification conducted a thorough review of Ordinance No. 2026-08 and finds the same to be in consonance to the mandate of the Sangguniang Bayan pursuant to Section 20 of R.A. No. 7160. Thus, said ordinance is within the purview of the powers conferred by law to their Sangguniang Bayan;

WHEREAS, the Committee recommended to the Body to uphold the validity of Ordinance No. 2026-08 of the Municipality of Cordon, Isabela;

WHEREAS, this Resolution's validity is subject to the approval by the Department of Agriculture (DA) that is consistent with the requirements set forth under DA-Memorandum Circular No. 26, Series of 2022;

NOW THEREFORE, above premises considered, upon motion of **HON. ED CHRISTIAN S. GO**, duly approved and seconded in a session duly assembled, it was:

RESOLVED, AS IT HEREBY RESOLVES, to pass **A RESOLUTION UPHOLDING THE VALIDITY OF ORDINANCE NO. 2026-08 OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CORDON, ISABELA ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE RECLASSIFYING LOT NO. 7-B-A OF THE SUBDIVISION PLAN PSD-(AF)-02-059244, BEING A PORTION OF LOT 7, PCS-2-02-00590, COVERED BY TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE (TCT) NO. T-25687, CONTAINING AN AREA OF SIXTY (60) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, SITUATED IN BARANGAY VILLAMARZO, CORDON, ISABELA, AND OWNED BY MS. MARICEL BALIMBIN, FROM PROTECTION AGRICULTURAL ZONE TO RESIDENTIAL ZONE"**.

A RESOLUTION UPHOLDING THE VALIDITY OF ORDINANCE NO. 2026-948 OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN MATEO, ISABELA ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE RECLASSIFICATION OF A PARCEL OF LAND WITH AN AREA OF ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-ONE (1,681 SQ.M.) SQUARE METERS, CONTAINED UNDER TCT NO. 035-2024003086, OWNED BY MR. AUSTSON T. COLOMA, JR., LOCATED IN BARANGAY MALASIN, SAN MATEO, ISABELA, FROM AGRICULTURAL TO NON-AGRICULTURAL USE"

RESOLVED FINALLY, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of San Mateo, Isabela, through the Municipal Vice-Mayor, Hon. Alan L. Cabacungan, for their information and guidance.

Approved and Adopted, April 27, 2026.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE CORRECTNESS
of the foregoing Resolution:**


ATTY. MARICEL R. EVANGELISTA, CPA
Acting Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

ATTESTED/ APPROVED:


ED CHRISTIAN S. GO
Presiding Officer Pro Tempore