

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 9TH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE 14TH SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF THE PROVINCE OF AURORA HELD AT THE SP SESSION HALL, PROVINCIAL CAPITOL, BALER, AURORA ON APRIL 17, 2020

PRESENT:

HON. CHRISTIAN M. NOVERAS,	Vice-Governor
HON. MARIANO C. TANGSON,	Regular Member, First District
HON. ISIDRO P. GALBAN,	Regular Member, First District
HON. JESUS V. PALMERO,	Regular Member, First District
HON. PHILIP BUTCH M. BAUTISTA,	Regular Member, First District
HON. JENNIFER A. ARAÑA,	Regular Member, Second District
HON. LORDAN B. ROXAS,	Regular Member, Second District
HON. NICASIO M. SALAMERA,	Regular Member, Second District
HON. RAFAEL M. DE MAYO,	Ex-Officio Member, LnB President
HON. MARY JANE B. DONATO,	Ex-Officio Member, IPMR

ABSENT:

HON. EUGENE B. CALUGTONG,	Regular Member, Second District
HON. JOVENE MIKE B. ALPUERTO,	Ex-Officio Member, SKF President
HON. ONASIS Q. RONQUILLO,	Ex-Officio Member, PCL President

ORDINANCE NO. 322

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CREATION OF A SPECIAL ACCOUNT IN THE GENERAL FUND (SAGF) FOR THE UTILIZATION OF THE BAYANIHAN GRANT TO PROVINCES (BGP)

WHEREAS, Section 4 of Republic Act No. 11469 otherwise known as the Bayanihan To Heal as One Act granted the President the power to adopt various temporary emergency measures to respond to crisis brought by the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic;

WHEREAS, the Bayanihan Grant to Provinces (BGP) shall be released to all provinces to be used as augmentation to the funding requirements for the operation of provincial, district and other local hospitals operated by the provincial government, and maintenance of duly established provincial checkpoints related to COVID-19, in support to the on-going efforts of the Government to respond to the crisis brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, for easy monitoring/tracking of the utilization of the allocation of each province, there is a need to create a Special Account in the General Fund (SAGF) ;

WHEREAS, the creation of Special Account in the General Fund is in pursuant to Section 313 (b) of the Local government Code of 1991;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Honorable Jennifer A. Araña unanimously seconded;

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled that:

SECTION 1. SPECIAL ACCOUNT ON THE GENERAL FUND – There shall be created a Special Account in the General Fund (SAGF) of the Provincial Government of Aurora to be used exclusively for the utilization of the Bayanihan Grant to Provinces (BGP);

SECTION 2. OBJECTIVE- The Special Account in the General Fund is created for the purpose of easy monitoring/tracking of the utilization of the allocation of the Bayanihan Grant to Province (BGP);

SECTION 3. BANK ACCOUNT AND SIGNATORIES

In order to fulfil the creation of a Special Account on the General Fund (SAGF), the following are hereby authorized:

- 3.1 The Provincial Governor through the Provincial Treasurer shall represent the Provincial Government of Aurora in the opening of account at the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP), Baler Branch;
- 3.2 The bank account name shall be "PGA Special Account on the General Fund Account BAYANIHAN GRANT TO PROVINCES (BGF)";
- 3.3 The authorized signatories of the bank account shall be:
 - a. The Provincial Governor and the Acting Provincial Treasurer as principal signatories;
 - b. The alternate signatories are:
 - The Provincial Administrator (Alternate for the Governor)
 - Acting Asst. Provincial Treasurer (Alternate signatory for the Provincial Treasurer)

SECTION 4. FUND MANAGEMENT:

- a. Management of funds under Special Account on the General Fund of The Bayanihan Grant to Provinces shall be exclusively to augment the funding requirements for the operation of provincial, district and other local hospitals operated by the provincial government, for COVID-19-related P/A/Ps and expenses, specifically the following:
 1. Procurement of personal protective equipment;
 2. Procurement of equipment, reagents, and kits for COVID-19 testing;
 3. Procurement of medicines and vitamins;
 4. Procurement of hospital equipment and supplies;
 5. Procurement of disinfectants, sprayers, and other disinfecting supplies and misting equipment;
 6. Food, transportation (including fuel), and accommodation expenses of medical/health workers and other personnel of the provincial, district and other local hospitals operated by the provincial government;
 7. Expenses for the construction/repair/lease/rental of additional space/building to accommodate COVID-19 patients and persons under monitoring/investigation;

- 8. Expenses for training of medical/health personnel of the provincial, district, and other local hospital operated by the provincial government relative to the conduct of COVID-19 testing and other related trainings;
 - 9. Other necessary COVID-19 related P/A/Ps and expenses of the provincial, district and other local hospitals operated by the provincial government
- b. Operation and Maintenance of duly established provincial checkpoints related to COVID-19, such as provision of foods, medicines/vitamins, personal protective equipment, and disinfecting supplies for the exclusive use of provincial government employees and personnel concerned, including those hired under Contract of Service and Job Order schemes;
- c. Expenses to be incurred not included therein will be chargeable against regular fund of the Province.


SECTION 6. DISBURSEMENT AND UTILIZATION OF THE BGP

- a. Disbursement and utilization of the BGP shall be subject to the pertinent provisions of the Government Procurement Reform Act (RA 9184) and its Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations and any relevant policies issued by the Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB), as well as other applicable laws and budgeting ,accounting and auditing rules and regulation;
- b. The fund may be utilized by the Province for the duration of the State of Calamity as declared by the President by virtue of Proclamation No. 929 dated March 16, 2020;
- c. Funds which remain unutilized after the lifting of the State of Calamity, by Presidential Proclamation, shall be reverted to the National Treasury;

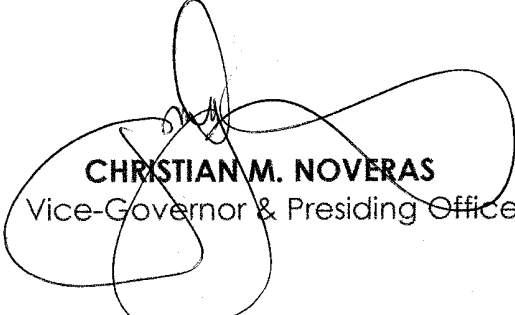
SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY- This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

ENACTED. April 17, 2020


I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.


MARIA OLIVIA D. MAZA
 Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


CHRISTIAN M. NOVERAS
 Vice-Governor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED by His Honor, the Governor on April 20, 2020.


GERARDO A. NOVERAS
 Governor