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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-FIRST (51ST) REGULAR SESSION OF THE 12TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN HELD ON AUGUST 3, 2026 AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL, NATIONAL HIGHWAY, BRGY. TIMUGAN, LOS BAÑOS, LAGUNA.

PRESENT:

Hon. Marlo PJ A. Alipon	Municipal Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer
Hon. Miko C. Pelegrina	S.B. Member
Hon. Aldous Amiel B. Perez	S.B. Member
Hon. Muriel Laisa B. Dizon	S.B. Member
Hon. Leren Mae M. Bautista	S.B. Member
Hon. Benedicto S. Alborida	S.B. Member
Hon. Rand Edouard R. De Jesus	S.B. Member
Hon. Myla E. Alinsunurin	S.B. Member
Hon. Jay G. Rolusta	S.B. Member
Hon. Samantha Nicole A. Banasihan-Ortega	Ex-Officio Member/SK Federation President

ABSENT:

Hon. Gaudencio P. Macatangay	Ex-Officio Member/Liga President, O.B.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-2519

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE RENEWABLE ENERGY INITIATIVES OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF LOS BAÑOS (MGLB) AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR.

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Co-Author : **Councilor Myla E. Alinsunurin**

WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution recognizes the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature, and mandates the State to protect and advance this right;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9513 or the *Renewable Energy Act of 2008* declares it the policy of the State to accelerate the exploration and development of renewable energy resources such as biomass, solar, wind, hydro, and geothermal, to reduce the country's dependence on imported fossil fuels, mitigate greenhouse gas emissions, and ensure energy security;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160 or the *Local Government Code of 1991* empowers local government units to promote the general welfare, develop local sources of energy, and allocate funds for programs that will enhance the quality of life of their constituents;

WHEREAS, the Municipal Government of Los Baños recognizes its strategic role in addressing climate change, reducing carbon footprint, lowering energy costs for public services and residents, and fostering sustainable development aligned with the Los Baños Comprehensive Land Use Plan and Sustainable Development Goals;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Los Baños is endowed with favorable conditions for renewable energy development, including abundant sunlight, agricultural and forestry biomass resources, and potential for small-scale hydropower;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Councilor Miko C. Pelegrina duly seconded by Councilor Rand Edouard R. De Jesus and approved by all the Councilors present;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF LOS BAÑOS, LAGUNA in session assembled, **THAT:**

SECTION 1. **TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as the "Municipal Government of Los Baños Renewable Energy Initiatives Ordinance of 2026."

SECTION 2. **DECLARATION OF POLICY.** It is the policy of the Municipality of Los Baños to:

a. Promote sustainable and environmentally responsible governance;
b. Reduce dependence on fossil fuels through the utilization of renewable energy resources;
c. Lower electricity expenditures of municipal government facilities;
d. Support the national government's transition toward clean and sustainable energy;
e. Encourage households, businesses, educational institutions, cooperatives, and industries to invest in renewable energy technologies; and
f. Enhance climate resilience and environmental protection consistent with national laws and international commitments.

SECTION 3. **OBJECTIVES.** This Ordinance seeks to:

a. Increase the use of renewable energy in all municipal government facilities;
b. Reduce greenhouse gas emissions generated from government operations;
c. Improve energy efficiency and reduce operating expenses;
d. Encourage private sector participation in renewable energy development;
e. Promote public awareness and education regarding renewable energy technologies; and
f. Establish long-term renewable energy planning within the Municipality.

SECTION 4. **COVERAGE**. This Ordinance shall apply to:

a. All offices of the Municipal Government of Los Baños;
b. All barangays within the municipality;
c. Government-owned buildings and facilities;
d. Future municipal infrastructure projects; and
e. Public-private renewable energy partnerships entered into by the Municipality.
f. Public Schools

SECTION 5. **ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAM (MREP).**

There is hereby created the Municipal Renewable Energy Program (MREP) which shall serve as the Municipality's primary framework for planning, implementing, coordinating, and monitoring renewable energy initiatives.

The MREP shall be administered by the Office of the Municipal Mayor through the Municipal Engineering Office, Municipal Planning and Development Office (MPDO), MENRO, GSO, and other concerned offices.

SECTION 6. **RENEWABLE ENERGY INITIATIVES.** The Municipality shall pursue, whenever technically and financially feasible, the following initiatives:

a. Installation of rooftop solar photovoltaic systems in municipal buildings;
b. Solar-powered street lighting;
c. Solar-powered irrigation systems;
d. Solar-powered water systems;
e. Solar-powered public parks and tourism facilities;
f. Electric vehicle charging stations in municipal properties;
g. Adoption of battery energy storage systems;
h. Biomass, biogas, hydroelectric, geothermal, and wind energy projects where appropriate;
i. Renewable energy integration in evacuation centers and disaster response facilities;
j. Net-metering participation with distribution utilities whenever applicable;
k. Procurement of Green, Hybrid or Electric Vehicle.

SECTION 7. **RENEWABLE ENERGY REQUIREMENT FOR NEW MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS.** All newly constructed municipal government buildings shall integrate renewable energy systems capable of supplying a portion of their projected electricity demand, subject to engineering feasibility and available appropriations.

SECTION 8. **ENERGY AUDIT.** All municipal offices shall conduct periodic energy audits to identify opportunities for:

a. Energy conservation;
b. Renewable energy integration;
c. Reduction of electricity consumption; and
d. Improvement of operational efficiency.

SECTION 9. **MUNICIPAL RENEWABLE ENERGY PLAN.** Within one (1) year from the effectivity of this Ordinance, the Municipal Renewable Energy Program shall prepare a five-year Renewable Energy Development Plan containing:

a. Inventory of government energy consumption;
b. Renewable energy potential assessment;
c. Priority projects;
d. Annual implementation schedule;
e. Financing strategy; and
f. Performance indicators.

SECTION 10. **INCENTIVES AND PARTNERSHIPS.** The Municipality may:

a. Enter into partnerships with national government agencies;
b. Collaborate with state universities and colleges including UPLB;
c. Work with electric cooperatives, private investors, and renewable energy developers;
d. Seek grants, donations, concessional financing, and technical assistance from local and international organizations;
e. Formulate incentives for Businesses thru BPLO;
f. Formulate incentives for Transport Groups.

SECTION 11. **INFORMATION AND EDUCATION CAMPAIGN.** The Municipal Public Information Office, together with MENRO and the Municipal Planning and Development Office, shall conduct continuous public awareness campaigns regarding:

a. Renewable energy technologies;
b. Energy efficiency;
c. Household solar systems;
d. Government incentive programs; and
e. Environmental benefits of renewable energy.

SECTION 12. **FUNDING.** Funds necessary for the implementation of this Ordinance shall be charged against the current appropriations of the Municipal Government, subject to existing accounting and auditing rules.

Thereafter, such amounts as may be necessary shall be included in the Annual Investment Program (AIP) and Annual Budget of the Municipality.

The Municipality may likewise utilize grants, donations, national government assistance, and other lawful funding sources.

SECTION 13. **ANNUAL REPORT.** The Municipal Renewable Energy Program through the General Services Office and the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office shall submit an Annual Report to the Sangguniang Bayan containing:

a. Implemented projects;
b. Energy savings achieved;
c. Reduction in electricity expenditures;
d. Estimated reduction in greenhouse gas emissions;
e. Status of ongoing projects; and
f. Recommendations for succeeding years.

SECTION 14. **IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS.** Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Ordinance, the Municipal Mayor shall issue the necessary Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR).

SECTION 15. **SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining provisions shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 16. **REPEALING CLAUSE.** All ordinances, resolutions, executive issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 17. **EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of local circulation posting in conspicuous places within the Municipality, in accordance with Republic Act No. 7160.

ENACTED : August 3, 2026

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-quoted Ordinance.

DONA T. ALBORIDA - DIZON
Secretary to the Sanggunian Bayan

CERTIFIED ENACTED:

HON. MARLO BJ A. ALIPON, MPA, REE, RMP
Municipal Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

HON. NEIL ANDREW N. NOCON
Municipal Mayor