EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-02-017
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CREATING THE MUNICIPAL TRICYCLE TASK FORCE (MTTF) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BALAOAN, LA UNION

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, has devolved to all city and municipal governments, through their respective Sanggunians, the power to regulate the operations of tricycles or pedicabs and to grant franchises for the operation thereof within their territorial jurisdiction subject to the guidelines prescribed by the Department of Transportation and Communication (DOTC), now Department of Transportation (DOTr);

WHEREAS, based on DOTC’s “Guidelines to Implement the Devolution of Land Transportation Franchising and Regulators (LTRFBs) Franchising Authority Over Tricycles-For-Hire to Local Government Code,” the operation of tricycles or pedicabs along national highways is prohibited. As specified in the said guidelines: “For safety reasons, no tricycles should operate on national highways utilized by 4-wheel vehicles greater than 4 tons and where normal speed exceed 40kph. However, the Sanggunian may provide exceptions if there is no alternative route”;

WHEREAS, in consonance therewith, the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) issued Memorandum Circular No. 2007-01 dated January 2, 2007 entitled “Basic Considerations in the Preparation of City or Municipal Tricycle and Pedicab Franchise and Regulatory Ordinance or Code.” Subsequently, DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2011-68 dated May 9, 2011 was issued relative to the operating conditions of tricycles or pedicabs, also reminding all local authorities to strictly adhere to the guidelines and standards provided by the DILG MC No. 2007-01, particularly the banning of tricycles and pedicabs operations along national highways;

WHEREAS, tricycles up to date continue to figure in fatal accidents along national highways and thus, also in lieu of the road clearing directive by the President, the DILG issued Memorandum Circular No. 2020-004 dated January 10, 2020, entitled “Guidelines in the Review or Revisiting the City or Municipal Tricycle and Pedicab Franchise and Regulatory Ordinance or
Code and Barangay Ordinance on the Use of Public Roads, Pathways and Alleys," mandating LGUs to regulate the operation of tricycles, and in the granting of franchises, reiterating further, specific provisions of Republic Act No. 4136 or the Land Transportation and Traffic Code on the prohibition of illegal parking of motor vehicles in sidewalks;

WHEREAS, under Section III of DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2020-036 dated February 17, 2020, titled, "Prohibiting Tricycles, Pedicabs, and Motorized Pedicabs From Operating on National Highways," the Municipal Tricycle Task Force (MTTF) shall be created to ensure the prohibition on the operation of tricycles, pedicabs, and motorized pedicabs along national highways;

NOW THEREFORE, I, ATTY. ALELI U. CONCEPCION, Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Balaoan, La Union, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the creation of the Municipal Tricycle Task Force (MTTF) with the following provisions:

Section 1. COMPOSITION. The Municipal Tricycle Task Force shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson : ATTY. ALELI U. CONCEPCION  
Municipal Mayor

Vice-Chairperson : PMAJ. JEFFREY E. SANCHEZ  
Acting Chief, PNP

Members : HON. ROGELIO O. CONCEPCION  
Sangguniang Bayan Member

HON. AMIEL JOHN U. CONCEPCION  
President, Ligang mga Barangay

ENGR. PRUDENCIO M. OLIVA, JR.  
Municipal Planning & Development Coordinator

ENGR. PRUDENCIO O. OCTAVO, JR.  
Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction & Management Officer

ENGR. RENATO V. OPEÑA  
Municipal Engineer
Section 2. DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS. In accordance with the guidelines embodied in DILG MC No. 2020-036, the Municipal Tricycle Task Force shall perform the following duties and functions:

1. Conduct meetings, public consultations and hearings with stakeholders, and survey/ocular inspection of the zone/area of tricycle operations with special focus on the following:
   a. rationalizing the authorized routes of all tricycles and pedicabs to ensure that they are banned from national highways;
   b. identification of national roads within the area of jurisdictions of the LGU; and
   c. determination of the portions of the national highway presently used or proposed to be traversed by tricycles only if there are no alternative routes available.

2. Draft or update the Tricycle Route Plan (TRP) within thirty (30) days from the issuance of DILG MC No. 2020-036. The MTTF shall come up with a TRP which shall be the basis of a subsequent ordinance. The TRP shall contain the following, among others:

   A SCHEMATIC MAP clearly showing the following:
   a. all the location of tricycle terminals and tricycle routes authorized by the LGU;
   b. the national highways within the area of jurisdiction of the LGU which is utilized by 4-wheel vehicles greater than 4 tons and where normal speed exceed 40kph; and
   c. portion(s) of the national highway to be allowed use by tricycles for lack of an alternative route.
The TRP shall also detail the following, among others:

a. installation of visible and appropriate signages, marks for lanes and other safety features to guide and protect all vehicles utilizing the highways;

b. information dissemination plans to raise awareness among residents and other motorists about the new tricycle routes and the portions of national highways to be traversed by the tricycles for lack of alternative route;

c. color-scheme or any visible emblem/sign imposed on tricycles which are allowed to ply a route which traverses a national highway;

d. proposed penalties to be imposed on violators; and

e. speed limit enforcement on national highway.

In preparation of the TRP, the MTTF shall coordinate with the task forces of adjoining LGUs of Balaoan, La Union that traversed the same national highway in order to come up with coherent TRPs.

Section 3. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the Municipality of Balaoan, La Union, this 27th day of February, 2020.

ATTY. ALELI U. CONCEPCION
Municipal Mayor