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PRESENT:

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| Vice Mayor Jan Marianne R. Fontelera | - Presiding Officer |
| Councilor Carolyn D. Sison | - Majority Floor Leader |
| Councilor Kelvin Theus O. Humilde | - Minority Floor Leader |
| Councilor Verna S. D. Rabago | - Assistant Majority Floor Leader |
| Councilor Apple Joy B. Tolentino | - Member |
| Councilor Joselito O. Fontelera | - Member |
| Councilor Raul B. Bacay | - Member |
| Councilor Dahlia M. de Leon | - Member |
| Councilor Oscar A. Boling, Sr. | - Member |
| Councilor Froebel A. Ranoy | - Member |
| LBP Alex A. Recosana | - Ex-Officio Member |
| PPSKP Lovely V. Bernabe | - Ex-Officio Member |

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ORDINANCE NO. 2024-09

AN ORDINANCE REVISING/AMENDING THE INVESTMENTS AND INCENTIVES CODE OF THE CITY OF ALAMINOS, PANGASINAN

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Sponsor:
Councilor Dahlia M. de Leon

WHEREAS, the Ordinance No. 2017-04 duly enacted on 30 January 2017, otherwise known as Investments and Incentives Code of the City of Alaminos, Pangasinan, articulates the local government investment policies and programs, Investment Priority Areas (IPAs), and local incentives (fiscal or non-fiscal) available to domestic and foreign investors and the mechanics for availing them;

WHEREAS, to respond to the prevailing situation in the city and further attract local and foreign investors, the august body deemed it necessary to revise the existing 2017 Investments and Incentives Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, upon due deliberation of the merits surrounding the issue and on motion of Councilor Dahlia M. de Leon, duly seconded by all members present

BE IT ENACTED, AS IT IS HEREBY **ENACTED**, BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD IN SESSION DULY ASSEMBLED, THAT:

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CHAPTER I
TITLE AND DECLARATION OF POLICY

SECTION 1. TITLE. — This ordinance shall be known and cited as the “**2024 REVISED INVESTMENTS AND INCENTIVES CODE OF THE CITY OF ALAMINOS, PANGASINAN**”

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF INVESTMENT POLICY.

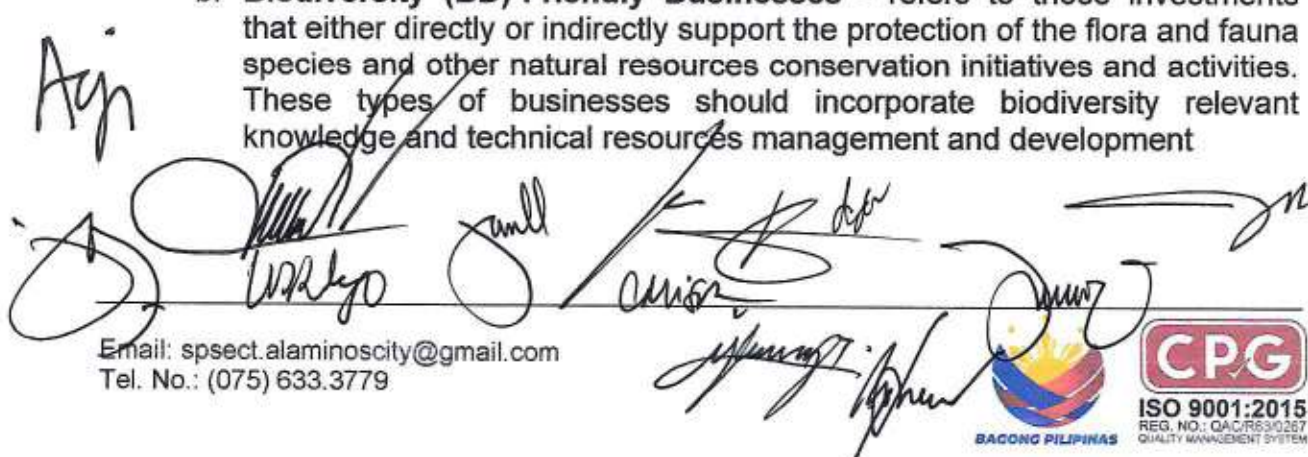
The Local Government Unit of the City of Alaminos, Pangasinan hereby sets the following policy guidelines for investments in the City:

1. Incentives to be established shall be fair, clear, time-bound, and consistent with national laws to ensure a level playing field on investments in the city;
2. The incentives shall support and promote the development vision of the City of Alaminos as expressed in the Comprehensive Development and Land Use Plans (CLUP);
3. Industries/businesses to be set up in the city shall minimize adverse impacts and enhance positive effects on the environment, by undertaking business practices that adhere to the country's environmental laws, such as efficient solid waste or pollution management and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions which contribute to the reduction of climate change by adopting appropriate measures for disaster risk management, among others;
4. Encourage the efficient use of natural resources to conserve and protect especially those indigenous to the locality;
5. Ensure that investors treat their employees and contractors fairly, respect their dignity and well-being and comply with labor laws and other legislations;
6. Ensure safe and healthy working conditions for employees and shall safeguard those affected by the business by producing healthy and safe products, among others;
7. Provide opportunities and protection for women, children, disabled and indigenous people and contribute to the improvement of the quality of life through corporate social responsibility programs.

CHAPTER II
DEFINITION OF TERMS

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS. — For the purpose of this Code, the following shall be defined as follows:

- a. **ACEIS** – refers to the Alaminos City Economic and Investments Section under the City Planning and Development Office (CPDO) which shall act as the technical secretariat of the Board in the implementation of this Code.
- b. **Biodiversity (BD)-Friendly Businesses** - refers to those investments that either directly or indirectly support the protection of the flora and fauna species and other natural resources conservation initiatives and activities. These types of businesses should incorporate biodiversity relevant knowledge and technical resources management and development

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- processes and practices that enhance BD resource conservation to include those businesses that directly or indirectly support BD (i.e. use of indigenous species, protection of flora and fauna and the like).
- c. **Board** – refers to the Alaminos City Investments and Incentives Board created under this Code.
 - d. **Capitalization** – shall mean the total project cost.
 - e. **City** – shall mean the City of Alaminos covering all areas within its territorial jurisdiction provided for by law and its charter.
 - f. **Code** – shall refer to the 2024 Alaminos City Revised Investments and Incentives Code.
 - g. **Diversification project** – refers to an additional project/activity of an existing enterprise, aside from its existing project, for the purpose of increasing the variety of the products of the latter.
 - h. **Existing Establishment/Enterprise** – refer to those establishments/enterprises whose places of operation or production are presently located within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Alaminos.
 - i. **Existing Projects** – shall refer to a project of an existing enterprise that has started commercial operation at the time of application with the Board that does not qualify as a new expansion or modernization project.
 - j. **Expansion Projects** – shall mean installation of additional facilities/equipment that will result in an increase in production capacity of the same product line within the same existing plant/facilities of the enterprise. For service-type activities, the same principle applies.
 - k. **Green Incentive** – financial benefit to encourage projects and investments that reduce environmental harm.
 - l. **Local Personnel/Worker** – refers to those workers or personnel who are residents of Alaminos City for at least six (6) months wherein proof of residency is evidenced by the presentation of a Barangay Clearance from the barangays where he/she resides.
 - m. **Modernization Projects** – shall, in general, mean modernization must result in any of the following:
 1. At least 25% substantial reduction of production cost/cost of provision of the service; or
 2. Upgrading of product/service quality or classification of the facility (e.g. hospitals, hotels, resorts) to a higher class
 - n. **MSMEs** – The National Economic Development Authority (NEDA) defines Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in terms of capitalization as follows:

<i>Micro</i>	- not more than Php 3,000,000.00
<i>Small</i>	- Php 3,000,001.00 to Php 15,000,000.00
<i>Medium</i>	- Php 15,000,001.00 to not more than Php100,000,000.00
<i>Large</i>	- Over Php 100,000,000.00
 - o. **New Investors/Enterprise** – refers to those who intend to venture into new project/s in the city with interests in establishing their place of operation or production within the territorial jurisdiction of Alaminos City.

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- p. **New Projects** – refer to a project/activity listed in the IPAs that has not started commercial operation undertaken by:
 - 1. A newly organized/formed enterprise; or
 - 2. An existing enterprise that shall engage in an entirely distinct and different activity from its existing business operations; or the same activity provided it shall establish a new facility in an area not contiguous to the premises of its existing project and with new investments.
- q. **Preferred/Priority Investment Areas** – refer to the economic activities cited under Chapter V of this ordinance and those areas which the Board may subsequently recommend and be approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod.
- r. **Project Study** – refers to a Project Profile which presents, among others, highlights of the financial and the socio-economic impact of the project.
- s. **Registered Enterprise** – refers to an enterprise/business registered in accordance with the provision of this Code.

CHAPTER III
ALAMINOS CITY INVESTMENTS AND INCENTIVES BOARD

SECTION 4. CREATION. — The Alaminos City Investments and Incentives Board (ACIIB) is hereby created to implement the provisions of this Code.

SECTION 5. COMPOSITION. — The Alaminos City Investments and Incentives Board shall be composed of the following:

- Chairperson - City Mayor
- Vice-Chairperson - City Vice Mayor
- Members:
 - City Planning and Development Coordinator;
 - City Tourism & Cultural Affairs Officer
 - City Agriculturist;
 - Chairperson, SP Committee on Trade, Commerce and Industry
 - Chairperson, SP Committee on Ways and Means;
 - Civil Society Organization/People's Organization of significant business/industry in the locality to be appointed by the Local Chief Executive, for a term of two (2) years, duly accredited by the Sanggunian;
 - City Legal Officer
 - City Budget Officer
 - City Accountant
 - City Treasurer
 - Head of the City Environment and Natural Resources Office
 - Head of the Agricultural and Biosystem Engineer Office

The LGU may invite representatives from National Government Agencies (NGAs) and other relevant stakeholders into the ACIIB or as resource persons/advisers.

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SECTION 6. MEETINGS AND QUORUM OF THE BOARD. — The Board shall meet once every quarter or as often as necessary, on such a day and time as it may fix. The presence of at least a majority of all the members shall constitute a quorum. All decisions and policies acted upon by at least the majority of the members present during the meeting, there being a quorum, shall be considered valid.

SECTION 7. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD. — The primary function of the Board is to establish a favorable and a stable policy on business climate which will encourage and support private sector investment and in the operation of business activities. Pursuant to this, the Board is generally vested with the following powers:

- a. Promulgate the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the ACIIB;
- b. Recommend to the Sanggunian any amendments on the Code;
- c. Adopt investment promotion programs;
- d. Periodically review Investment Priority Areas (IPAs) eligible for incentives;
- e. Act on applications for registration of projects and availment of local incentives;
- f. Supervise the operations of the ACEIS;
- g. Establish cooperative undertakings with other LGUs, the private sector, NGOs or other institutions as may be necessary;
- h. Enlist the assistance of local government offices, national agencies and private sector organizations, as may be necessary, useful and incidental to the effective and efficient implementation of the ACIIB;
- i. Establish trade and investment satellite offices in such other places as may be necessary to effectively carry out its mandates; and
- j. Perform such other tasks necessary and incidental to the exercise and performance of their functions.

SECTION 8. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE CHAIRPERSON. — The Chairperson of the Board shall have the following powers and duties:

- a. To preside over the regular and special meetings of the Board;
- b. To sign the Certificate of Registration in accordance with the rules and regulations of this Code;
- c. Generally, to exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be necessary to carry out the objectives of this Code

SECTION 9. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE VICE-CHAIRPERSON. — The Vice Chairperson of the Board shall have the following powers and duties:

- a. To preside over the regular and special meetings of the Board in the absence of the chairperson; and
- b. To perform such other duties and functions as may be necessary for and in behalf of the latter.

SECTION 10. VISITORIAL POWER OF THE BOARD. — The Board or any duly authorized member thereof, shall be empowered and authorized to conduct an ocular inspection of the premises or examination of the business activity of any enterprise,

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including the records and books of any enterprise, registered or applying for registration at any reasonable time of the day, during office hours, for verification or ascertaining the enterprise's compliance with the provisions of the Code, or when the Board deems it necessary or incidental to the effective exercise and performance of their respective functions and powers.

CHAPTER IV
ALAMINOS CITY ECONOMIC AND INVESTMENTS SECTION

SECTION 11. ALAMINOS CITY ECONOMIC AND INVESTMENTS SECTION (ACEIS). — The Alaminos City Economic and Investments Section (ACEIS) is mandated to carry out the objectives of this Code and shall be staffed by one (1) Economist IV and one (1) Administrative Aide II.

The ACEIS shall be attached as a regular section under the Office of the City Planning and Development Coordinator.

SECTION 12. POWERS AND DUTIES OF ALAMINOS CITY ECONOMIC AND INVESTMENTS SECTION. — The ACEIS shall act as the Technical Secretariat of the Board, implement its policies and guidelines and shall specifically perform the following duties:

1. Accept, process, and evaluate applications for registration for availment of local incentives, and submit recommendations to the Board for final action.
2. Provide the necessary support services to investors as guaranteed under this Code;
3. Establish and maintain networking relations with other offices and agencies whenever appropriate and necessary.
4. Collate, analyze, and compile pertinent data and information, and conduct studies concerning areas that have been or may be declared as preferred/priority areas of investments by the Board;
5. Recommend to the Board any modifications/amendments to existing regulation and procedures on local investments;
6. Prepare agenda for meetings of the Board, and submit for the latter's consideration and approval proposed policies and measures which are deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of this Code;
7. Submit Annual Reports to the Board about the activities relative to the implementation of this Code within sixty (60) days after each calendar year;
8. Facilitate the preparation, coordination and execution of local economic and investment promotion, policies, projects and activities of the City;
9. Facilitate the establishment of an aggressive, systematic, coordinated, and sustained promotion and marketing of the LGU as an investment location;
10. Provides basic information about business potentials of the LGU, including LGU services to prospective investors to attract more investments to flow in the community;

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11. Establish a local economic database containing relevant facts and figures;
12. Coordinate with other offices in the promotion of economic activities, such as the Planning and Development, Treasury and Budget Offices and the Local Sanggunian;
13. Coordinate with the private sector in investment promotion campaigns;
14. Conduct information dissemination on local government policies; and
15. Perform such other functions that are necessary and incidental for effective implementation of this Code.

SECTION 13. TECHNICAL FUNCTIONS OF THE ALAMINOS CITY ECONOMIC AND INVESTMENTS SECTION. — The technical and support services staff shall have the corresponding functions:

1. **Investor Assistance and Servicing.** — Assist prospective investors by providing assistance, among others:
 - a. One-stop documentation services (facilitating business permits, licenses, incentive availment);
 - b. Investment counseling; and
 - c. Brokering and business matching.
2. **Investment and Trade Promotion and Generation.** — Handle promotional activities that will directly influence infusion of investments and influx or trade and tourism, such as:
 - a. Trade and investment missions;
 - b. Investment for seminars;
 - c. Direct investment marketing;
 - d. Trade fairs and exhibits;
 - e. Investment briefings/orientation;
 - f. Setting-up of a showroom/exhibition area; and
 - g. Promo collateral preparation and dissemination.
3. **Information Management and Development.** — In the area of information management and development, shall:
 - a. Handle data generation, processing and packaging;
 - b. Handle data storage and retrieval;
 - c. Support direct investor servicing through operation of an on-time information assistance desk;
 - d. Review existing incentives and prepare recommendation and/or policy papers for its improvement; and
 - e. Prepare project profiles, pre-investment studies, viability and feasibility industry profiles and situationer.

CHAPTER V
Preferred Investment Priority Areas

SECTION 15. PREFERRED INVESTMENT PRIORITY AREAS (IPAS). — Incentives shall be provided to new and expanding enterprises in the following Preferred Investment Priority Areas, to wit:

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1. Agri-business Sectors, such as but not limited to:
 - a. Vacuum, Dehydrated and Spray-dried Fruit Processing;
 - b. Canned Specialty Vegetables;
 - c. Extruded Snack Food;
 - d. Cut flower Production, Silk Production, Organic Fertilizer Production, Certified Seed Production, Corn/Feed mill.
2. Tourism Facilities, such as but not limited to:
 - a. Mid-range Business Hotels;
 - b. Beach and Mountain Resort;
 - c. Theme Parks, Restaurants and Marina
3. Transshipment Facilities, such as but not limited to:
 - a. Port Infrastructure;
 - b. Common Bonded Warehouses
4. Miscellaneous Light Manufacturing Activities, such as but not limited to:
 - a. Garments;
 - b. Footwear;
 - c. Bulky House wares;
 - d. Toys
5. Property Development, such as but not limited to;
 - a. Private Industrial Estates;
 - b. Commercial/Office Buildings;
 - c. Residential Area Development;
 - d. Convention Center Establishment
6. Branches of Foreign Banks;
7. Telecommunications;
8. Environmental Protection and Enhancement Projects;
9. Establishment of Medical, Education, Training, and Sport Facilities;
10. Establishment of Information Technology (IT) - outsourcing service facilities for medical transcription, legal transcription, graphic designs, systems development and other IT allied services;
11. Establishment of Malls.

A periodic review of the IPAs should be undertaken every two (2) years, For purposes of inclusion of additional areas in the list of IPAs:

- Number of local residents to be employed by the enterprise
- High degree of value-added features
- Creation of linkages with local industries, such as joint ventures with local investors
- Projects of historical or cultural value, such as restoration of historical buildings, cultural revivals, etc. in accordance with the program for historical or cultural revival of the locality

For purposes of exclusion from the current list of IPAs:

- Sufficient investments in the area have been attained;
- Continued extension of incentives is no longer to the interest and benefit of the locality;

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- The investment area or activity cannot attract investors within a reasonable time and cost may result in unfavorable business climate; and;
- Lack of progress in the implementation of an environmental management plan.

CHAPTER VI REGISTRATION

SECTION 16. PRE-QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS. — For purposes of application for registration and availment of incentives under this Code, the following qualifications must be complied with:

- a. The enterprise must have complied with all the requirements mandated under existing laws, rules and regulations for doing business in the Philippines;
- b. The activity engaged in must be listed in the IPAs of LGU-Alaminos City, Pangasinan;
- c. The place of operation or production must be located within the territorial jurisdiction of Alaminos City, Pangasinan;
- d. Fifty Percent (50%) of its workforce must be bonafide residents of the City of Alaminos, Pangasinan, giving equal opportunities for men, women, the poor, indigenous people and the physically handicapped;
- e. Project must have safeguards against pollution or resource use is necessary.

SECTION 17. TYPES OF PROJECTS FOR REGISTRATION. —

- a. New Projects
- b. Expansion Projects
- c. Modernization Projects
- d. Diversification Projects

SECTION 18. DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS. —

- a. For Single Proprietorship:
 - Copy of Business Name Registration issued by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI);
 - Latest copy of Audited Financial Statements (if existing);
 - Copy of completed application form for registration under this Code; and
- b. For Partnership/Corporation:
 - Copy of the Articles of Partnership or Incorporation;
 - Certified true copy of Certificate of Registration issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), for Corporation/ Partnership;
 - Resolution of the applicant's Board of Directors, in case of Corporation, authorizing the filing of application;
 - Latest copy of Audited Financial Statements (if existing);
 - Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) or Non-Compliance Certificate (NCC), if applicable;
 - Copy of completed application form for registration under this Code; and

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- c. For Board of Investments (BOI) Registered Enterprises:
- Certified true copy of the BOI Certificate of Registration;

SECTION 19. REGISTRATION PROCEDURES. —

1. Filing of Applications – All applications shall be filed with the Alaminos City Economic and Investments Section.
2. Assessment of Documents – Client presents documents for check listing on its completeness and consistency of information.
3. Date of Official Acceptance – Only complete application shall be officially accepted and registered in the Registration Book. Date stamped on the application shall be considered as the date of official acceptance of the application.
4. Notice of filing of application in the city, municipal or barangay hall shall suffice posting requirements on conspicuous place
5. Order of Payment shall be issued for complete application for payment of the necessary fees.
6. Evaluation/Approval of Application. – Once an application is officially accepted, the project will be evaluated by the ACEIS, which may conduct an ocular inspection at the premises of the business, if necessary. The evaluation of the application shall be presented for the action of the Board. If the application is approved, the ACEIS shall notify the applicant and inform the Treasurer/s and the Assessor/s of such approval, guidance and appropriate action. If the application is denied, the ACEIS shall inform the applicant in writing. In both cases, a Board Resolution shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting of the Board.
7. **Processing Time.** – Applications shall only be deemed officially accepted upon submission of complete requirements to the ACEIS. The Board shall act upon application for incentives within a period of twenty (20) working days from the official acceptance thereof and by the Chairperson of the Board. If and when the application is not acted upon within the stated period of a total of twenty (20) days, the application is deemed approved.
8. **Filing Fee.** – A non-refundable filing fee shall be paid together with the required documents for registration:
 - **Php 10,000.00** – For enterprise with a capitalization of Php3,000,001.00 up to Php15,000,000.00;
 - **Php 20,000.00** – For enterprise with a capitalization of Php15,000,001.00 up to Php100,000,000.00;
 - **Php 30,000.00** – For enterprise with a capitalization of more than Php100,000,000.00
9. **Certificate of Registration.** – Upon approval, an enterprise shall be issued a Certificate of Registration with the signature of the Chairperson of the Board. It shall state among others, the following:

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- (a) Name of the registered enterprise;
- (b) Investment Priority Area (IPA) in which the registered enterprise will engage in; and
- (c) Incentives granted and period of its availment.

SECTION 20. No double availment of incentives/benefits under different laws and/or programs shall be allowed.

**CHAPTER VII
 INCENTIVES**

SECTION 21. INCENTIVES TO REGISTERED ENTERPRISES. — In addition to the incentives provided by the City Government and the National Government as well, an enterprise registered under this Code shall be fully exempted from the payment of the following:

- 1. Mayor's permit fees, business taxes, other fees and charges within one (1) year from the start of commercial operations;
- 2. Locational Clearance Fee;
- 3. Occupancy Permit Fee; and

The enterprise shall also be granted:

- 1. Fifty percent (50%) discount on Development Permit Fee;
- 2. Fifty percent discount on Building Permit Fee.

SECTION 22. INCENTIVES TO REGIONAL OR AREA HEADQUARTERS (RHQ), OR REGIONAL OPERATING HEADQUARTERS UNDER ARTICLE 66, CHAPTER IV OF R.A. 8756 (AMENDED BOOK III OF EO 226) —

"Art. 66. Exemption From All Kinds of Local Taxes, Fees, or Charges. - The regional or area headquarters and regional operating headquarters of multinational companies shall be exempt from all kinds of local taxes, fees, or charges imposed by a local government unit except real property tax on land improvements and equipment."

SECTION 23. GREEN INCENTIVES. —

Exemption from Payments for Environmental Services (PES) – Incentives for enterprises engaged in payments for environmental or ecosystem services with poor, marginalized communities or local governments for environmental protection and climate change adaptation shall be granted to qualified enterprises. PES contributions may be in the form of direct technical and financial assistance on sustainable livelihood activities that will reduce the poor's vulnerability to climate change, financing protection or rehabilitation of degraded ecosystems, and other environmental activities formally agreed on with concerned communities and local government units.

- a. An enterprise availing of the green investment incentive shall file an application with the ACEIS regarding its intent to undertake a green/social

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- activity, the location, and the date. Said activity shall either be a regular activity or that can be completed within the timeframe approved by the ACIIB;
- b. The ACEIS shall be responsible for the issuance of a certification that the registered enterprise is in its environmental services program or has undertaken regular green and socially responsible activities and is qualified for the incentive;
 - c. After due verification of contributions to payments for environmental or ecosystem services program, urban greening and restoration, reforestation and planting of trees, and similar investments, the ACEIS shall issue a certification indicating the costs of such activities. Such certification shall be presented to the local treasurer concerned during the payment of the business tax to avail of the incentive;
 - d. This incentive is non-transferable. In case of a change of ownership of the enterprise, the incentives shall not be transferred to the new owner but shall continue to be enjoyed by the original owner and applied to his new business enterprise, if any, provided that, the period of incentive shall expire within a given period from the date of application regardless of whether the owner availed of it or not. The new owner of the enterprise has the option to apply for green incentives, provided further that, the enterprise continues its green initiatives and complies with all the requirements to avail of the incentives;
 - e. Community infrastructure projects aligned with the development plan of the LGU of the City of Alaminos, Pangasinan; and
 - f. Such other projects or activities based on the development needs of the community where the project is located or identified under National Anti-Poverty Commission (NAPC).

CHAPTER VIII
FINAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 24. PENAL CLAUSE. — Any violation of the provision of this Code shall be a ground for the cancellation or revocation of the Certificate of Registration of the project/business. The cancellation or revocation of the Certificate of Registration shall mean the withdrawal of all the incentives granted under this Code, and all fees and charges previously exempted shall become due and demandable.

SECTION 25. GROUNDS FOR THE CANCELLATION OF THE CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AS FOLLOWS:

1. Violation of the provisions of this Code and such other violations of laws, rules and regulation or ordinances;
2. Violation of the terms and conditions specified in the Certificate of Registration as may be promulgated by the Board;
3. Material misrepresentation.

SECTION 26. APPEAL FROM THE DECISION OF THE ALAMINOS CITY INVESTMENTS AND INCENTIVES BOARD. — The applicant or business enterprise adversely affected by any decision of the Board relative to its cancellation/revocation of registration or the

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impositions of fines/penalties in accordance with this Code may file a motion for reconsideration within fifteen (15) days from receipt of the decision; otherwise, the decision shall become final and executory.

SECTION 27. REFUND AND PENALTIES. — In case of the cancellation of the Certificate of Registration, the Board shall require the refund of incentives availed of and payment of a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00) or an imprisonment for a period not exceeding six (6) months, or both upon the discretion of the Court.


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SECTION 29. REPEALING CLAUSE. — All other existing ordinances, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of the Code are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

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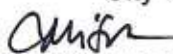
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I **HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance consisting of thirteen (13) pages including this page.

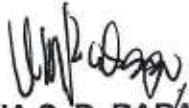

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