

1 "Bounded on the NE, along lines 1 to 22 by the Municipality of
 2 Magalang Cad. 95; on the SE, along lines 22 to 31 by the Municipality of
 3 Mexico Cad. 72; along lines 31 to 96 by the City of Angeles Cad. 94; along
 4 lines 96 to 128 by the Municipality of Porac Cad. 156; on the NW, along lines
 5 128 to 233 by the Fort Stotsenberg Military Reservation Province of Tarlac;
 6 along lines 233 to 281 by the Municipality of Bamban Cad. 382; along lines
 7 281 to 288-1 by the Municipality of Concepcion Cad. 100. Beginning at a
 8 point marked "1" on plan being equivalent to MBM No. 30 Magalang Cad.
 9 (PBM No. 10, Province of Pampanga):

10	Thence	S. 18° 46' W.	369.86 m.	to point 02;
11	Thence	S. 20° 36' W.	557.32 m.	to point 03;
12	Thence	S. 20° 42' W.	531.55 m.	to point 04;
13	Thence	S. 35° 00' W.	163.03 m.	to point 05;
14	Thence	S. 16° 56' E.	152.03 m.	to point 06;
15	Thence	S. 03° 35' W.	101.38 m.	to point 07;
16	Thence	S. 15° 33' W.	228.20 m.	to point 08;
17	Thence	S. 31° 41' E.	1,017.04 m.	to point 09;
18	Thence	S. 10° 36' W.	761.39 m.	to point 10;
19	Thence	S. 03° 07' E.	1,479.72 m.	to point 11;
20	Thence	S. 03° 37' E.	749.24 m.	to point 12;
21	Thence	S. 10° 08' E.	699.32 m.	to point 13;
22	Thence	S. 09° 48' E.	199.83 m.	to point 14;
23	Thence	S. 85° 08' W.	437.98 m.	to point 15;
24	Thence	S. 22° 37' E.	1,310.02 m.	to point 16;
25	Thence	S. 03° 58' E.	26.36 m.	to point 17;
26	Thence	S. 73° 36' E.	114.55 m.	to point 18;
27	Thence	S. 46° 05' E.	118.52 m.	to point 19;
28	Thence	S. 62° 36' E.	96.16 m.	to point 20;

1	Thence	N. 78° 41' E.	96.73 m.	to point 21;
2	Thence	S. 74° 11' E.	454.39 m.	to point 22;
3	Thence	S. 56° 34' W.	205.63 m.	to point 23;
4	Thence	S. 77° 34' W.	191.02 m.	to point 24;
5	Thence	S. 60° 31' W.	167.07 m.	to point 25;
6	Thence	S. 53° 40' W.	345.83 m.	to point 26;
7	Thence	N. 77° 13' W.	195.65 m.	to point 27;
8	Thence	N. 79° 16' W.	186.66 m.	to point 28;
9	Thence	S. 58° 52' W.	177.32 m.	to point 29;
10	Thence	S. 08° 19' W.	163.17 m.	to point 30;
11	Thence	S. 35° 33' E.	693.89 m.	to point 31;
12	Thence	S. 26° 40' W.	354.53 m.	to point 32;
13	Thence	S. 82° 05' W.	1,009.99 m.	to point 33;
14	Thence	N. 88° 17' W.	641.71 m.	to point 34;
15	Thence	S. 02° 48' W.	51.59 m.	to point 35;
16	Thence	S. 14° 29' W.	425.79 m.	to point 36;
17	Thence	S. 80° 22' W.	73.77 m.	to point 37;
18	Thence	N. 53° 12' W.	30.85 m.	to point 38;
19	Thence	N. 78° 46' W.	70.21 m.	to point 39;
20	Thence	N. 80° 29' W.	36.82 m.	to point 40;
21	Thence	N. 03° 33' W.	62.02 m.	to point 41;
22	Thence	N. 71° 51' W.	16.26 m.	to point 42;
23	Thence	N. 34° 51' W.	37.47 m.	to point 43;
24	Thence	N. 46° 21' W.	29.39 m.	to point 44;
25	Thence	S. 89° 51' W.	20.14 m.	to point 45;
26	Thence	N. 54° 53' W.	64.71 m.	to point 46;
27	Thence	N. 00° 48' W.	280.81 m.	to point 47;
28	Thence	N. 84° 55' W.	630.56 m.	to point 48;

1	Thence	S. 64° 08' W.	745.18 m.	to point 49;
2	Thence	S. 78° 23' W.	305.11 m.	to point 50;
3	Thence	S. 78° 57' W.	663.03 m.	to point 51;
4	Thence	S. 81° 11' W.	1,868.15 m.	to point 52;
5	Thence	N. 23° 50' W.	994.14 m.	to point 53;
6	Thence	S. 81° 02' W.	267.04 m.	to point 54;
7	Thence	S. 81° 02' W.	646.99 m.	to point 55;
8	Thence	S. 81° 02' W.	366.74 m.	to point 56;
9	Thence	S. 81° 02' W.	40.84 m.	to point 57;
10	Thence	S. 81° 21' W.	172.37 m.	to point 58;
11	Thence	S. 80° 52' W.	436.76 m.	to point 59;
12	Thence	S. 80° 43' W.	620.23 m.	to point 60;
13	Thence	S. 81° 30' W.	177.81 m.	to point 61;
14	Thence	S. 08° 03' E.	07.78 m.	to point 62;
15	Thence	S. 82° 04' W.	531.23 m.	to point 63;
16	Thence	S. 74° 37' W.	694.12 m.	to point 64;
17	Thence	N. 20° 05' E.	62.60 m.	to point 65;
18	Thence	S. 64° 29' W.	111.01 m.	to point 66;
19	Thence	N. 60° 32' W.	129.40 m.	to point 67;
20	Thence	N. 73° 21' W.	120.71 m.	to point 68;
21	Thence	N. 25° 45' W.	35.62 m.	to point 69;
22	Thence	S. 88° 46' W.	90.03 m.	to point 70;
23	Thence	N. 12° 43' W.	113.53 m.	to point 71;
24	Thence	S. 82° 20' W.	30.88 m.	to point 72;
25	Thence	S. 33° 08' W.	31.28 m.	to point 73;
26	Thence	S. 87° 58' W.	81.12 m.	to point 74;
27	Thence	N. 52° 56' W.	23.22 m.	to point 75;
28	Thence	N. 82° 17' W.	82.67 m.	to point 76;

1	Thence	N. 73° 05' W.	05.15 m.	to point 77;
2	Thence	S. 70° 49' W.	03.13 m.	to point 78;
3	Thence	N. 84° 59' W.	66.76 m.	to point 79;
4	Thence	S. 31° 13' W.	111.21 m.	to point 80;
5	Thence	S. 17° 06' W.	42.23 m.	to point 81;
6	Thence	N. 62° 57' W.	127.30 m.	to point 82;
7	Thence	N. 26° 20' W.	74.40 m.	to point 83;
8	Thence	N. 86° 48' W.	72.97 m.	to point 84;
9	Thence	N. 79° 58' W.	20.71 m.	to point 85;
10	Thence	N. 35° 22' W.	08.24 m.	to point 86;
11	Thence	N. 44° 36' W.	43.11 m.	to point 87;
12	Thence	N. 88° 43' W.	09.40 m.	to point 88;
13	Thence	N. 52° 15' W.	22.59 m.	to point 89;
14	Thence	S. 86° 32' W.	07.77 m.	to point 90;
15	Thence	N. 44° 06' W.	21.28 m.	to point 91;
16	Thence	N. 79° 34' W.	13.59 m.	to point 92;
17	Thence	S. 87° 32' W.	08.83 m.	to point 93;
18	Thence	S. 56° 41' W.	62.21 m.	to point 94;
19	Thence	S. 81° 34' W.	45.25 m.	to point 95;
20	Thence	S. 84° 20' W.	114.48 m.	to point 96;
21	Thence	N. 75° 18' W.	117.29 m.	to point 97;
22	Thence	N. 88° 10' W.	108.13 m.	to point 98;
23	Thence	S. 59° 17' W.	94.87 m.	to point 99;
24	Thence	N. 30° 02' W.	125.53 m.	to point 100;
25	Thence	S. 69° 16' W.	230.75 m.	to point 101;
26	Thence	S. 83° 15' W.	94.39 m.	to point 102;
27	Thence	S. 79° 36' W.	77.54 m.	to point 103;
28	Thence	N. 85° 49' W.	26.88 m.	to point 104;

1	Thence	N. 89° 36' W.	117.50 m.	to point 105;
2	Thence	N. 81° 06' W.	213.64 m.	to point 106;
3	Thence	N. 42° 30' W.	118.59 m.	to point 107;
4	Thence	N. 64° 24' W.	76.16 m.	to point 108;
5	Thence	N. 77° 10' W.	81.81 m.	to point 109;
6	Thence	S. 75° 25' W.	103.01 m.	to point 110;
7	Thence	N. 83° 14' W.	102.15 m.	to point 111;
8	Thence	S. 84° 17' W.	234.42 m.	to point 112;
9	Thence	N. 72° 15' W.	204.09 m.	to point 113;
10	Thence	S. 46° 51' W.	170.52 m.	to point 114;
11	Thence	N. 73° 18' W.	81.18 m.	to point 115;
12	Thence	S. 60° 39' W.	142.73 m.	to point 116;
13	Thence	Due West	77.75 m.	to point 117;
14	Thence	S. 56° 19' W.	112.14 m.	to point 118;
15	Thence	S. 28° 13' W.	361.78 m.	to point 119;
16	Thence	N. 66° 22' W.	678.94 m.	to point 120;
17	Thence	S. 50° 12' W.	121.45 m.	to point 121;
18	Thence	N. 61° 38' W.	441.82 m.	to point 122;
19	Thence	S. 85° 14' W.	187.25 m.	to point 123;
20	Thence	S. 59° 02' W.	544.04 m.	to point 124;
21	Thence	S. 01° 45' W.	635.92 m.	to point 125;
22	Thence	S. 53° 51' W.	500.76 m.	to point 126;
23	Thence	S. 27° 10' E.	633.52 m.	to point 127;
24	Thence	N. 86° 03' W.	12,095.15 m.	to point 128;
25	Thence	N. 60° 12' E.	1,305.97 m.	to point 129;
26	Thence	N. 66° 03' E.	1,637.31 m.	to point 130;
27	Thence	N. 59° 22' E.	1,041.98 m.	to point 131;
28	Thence	N. 63° 24' E.	996.64 m.	to point 132;

1	Thence	N. 69° 42' E.	758.36 m.	to point 133;
2	Thence	N. 74° 24' E.	842.75 m.	to point 134;
3	Thence	N. 66° 06' E.	552.35 m.	to point 135;
4	Thence	N. 62° 41' E.	1,437.55 m.	to point 136;
5	Thence	N. 59° 09' E.	1,580.92 m.	to point 137;
6	Thence	N. 57° 46' E.	654.93 m.	to point 138;
7	Thence	N. 45° 20' E.	296.60 m.	to point 139;
8	Thence	N. 53° 18' E.	386.26 m.	to point 140;
9	Thence	S. 29° 14' E.	418.82 m.	to point 141;
10	Thence	N. 77° 01' E.	826.98 m.	to point 142;
11	Thence	S. 22° 35' E.	193.63 m.	to point 143;
12	Thence	S. 38° 33' E.	269.47 m.	to point 144;
13	Thence	S. 05° 20' E.	49.77 m.	to point 145;
14	Thence	S. 18° 54' E.	131.29 m.	to point 146;
15	Thence	S. 20° 46' E.	285.05 m.	to point 147;
16	Thence	S. 33° 33' E.	263.09 m.	to point 148;
17	Thence	S. 19° 27' E.	591.22 m.	to point 149;
18	Thence	S. 49° 00' E.	284.91 m.	to point 150;
19	Thence	S. 66° 04' E.	391.58 m.	to point 151;
20	Thence	S. 79° 12' E.	250.87 m.	to point 152;
21	Thence	N. 70° 57' E.	211.06 m.	to point 153;
22	Thence	S. 38° 04' E.	225.09 m.	to point 154;
23	Thence	N. 85° 57' E.	333.77 m.	to point 155;
24	Thence	S. 70° 18' E.	325.67 m.	to point 156;
25	Thence	N. 81° 27' E.	124.21 m.	to point 157;
26	Thence	N. 24° 04' E.	274.70 m.	to point 158;
27	Thence	N. 16° 04' E.	348.64 m.	to point 159;
28	Thence	N. 67° 13' E.	333.92 m.	to point 160;

1	Thence	N. 69° 12' E.	1,122.51 m.	to point 161;
2	Thence	N. 66° 26' E.	146.08 m.	to point 162;
3	Thence	N. 72° 55' E.	151.57 m.	to point 163;
4	Thence	N. 63° 45' E.	160.62 m.	to point 164;
5	Thence	N. 55° 04' E.	210.54 m.	to point 165;
6	Thence	N. 44° 41' E.	386.13 m.	to point 166;
7	Thence	N. 55° 32' E.	458.66 m.	to point 167;
8	Thence	N. 66° 26' E.	350.89 m.	to point 168;
9	Thence	N. 72° 37' E.	161.24 m.	to point 169;
10	Thence	N. 56° 22' E.	33.58 m.	to point 170;
11	Thence	N. 40° 07' E.	192.38 m.	to point 171;
12	Thence	N. 10° 30' E.	59.31 m.	to point 172;
13	Thence	N. 19° 07' W.	266.67 m.	to point 173;
14	Thence	N. 70° 53' E.	80.00 m.	to point 174;
15	Thence	S. 19° 07' E.	325.03 m.	to point 175;
16	Thence	S. 34° 55' E.	32.67 m.	to point 176;
17	Thence	S. 50° 43' E.	332.12 m.	to point 177;
18	Thence	S. 69° 43' E.	39.08 m.	to point 178;
19	Thence	N. 72° 16' E.	39.08 m.	to point 179;
20	Thence	N. 53° 16' E.	181.63 m.	to point 180;
21	Thence	N. 64° 08' E.	22.64 m.	to point 181;
22	Thence	N. 75° 01' E.	220.35 m.	to point 182;
23	Thence	S. 85° 09' E.	40.70 m.	to point 183;
24	Thence	S. 65° 20' E.	13.37 m.	to point 184;
25	Thence	N. 87° 52' E.	54.12 m.	to point 185;
26	Thence	N. 61° 03' E.	333.25 m.	to point 186;
27	Thence	N. 69° 54' E.	222.91 m.	to point 187;
28	Thence	N. 58° 01' E.	24.73 m.	to point 188;

1	Thence	N. 46° 07' E.	202.82 m.	to point 189;
2	Thence	N. 56° 48' E.	22.24 m.	to point 190;
3	Thence	N. 67° 29' E.	406.59 m.	to point 191;
4	Thence	N. 75° 19' E.,	16.36 m.	to point 192;
5	Thence	N. 83° 09' E.	222.63 m.	to point 193;
6	Thence	N. 64° 07' E.	39.15 m.	to point 194;
7	Thence	N. 45° 04' E.	464.31 m.	to point 195;
8	Thence	N. 54° 14' E.	19.12 m.	to point 196;
9	Thence	N. 63° 24' E.	416.55 m.	to point 197;
10	Thence	N. 70° 19' E.	14.45 m.	to point 198;
11	Thence	N. 77° 14' E.	33.69 m.	to point 199;
12	Thence	N. 66° 11' E.	98.99 m.	to point 200;
13	Thence	N. 49° 11' E.	33.64 m.	to point 201;
14	Thence	N. 32° 54' E.	129.07 m.	to point 202;
15	Thence	N. 53° 55' E.	43.01 m.	to point 203;
16	Thence	N. 74° 55' E.	12.06 m.	to point 204;
17	Thence	N. 60° 18' E.	30.26 m.	to point 205;
18	Thence	N. 45° 42' E.	84.94 m.	to point 206;
19	Thence	N. 28° 56' E.	34.60 m.	to point 207;
20	Thence	N. 12° 11' E.	46.05 m.	to point 208;
21	Thence	N. 27° 27' E.	31.60 m.	to point 209;
22	Thence	N. 42° 43' E.	253.15 m.	to point 210;
23	Thence	N. 63° 12' E.	42.01 m.	to point 211;
24	Thence	N. 83° 42' E.	44.07 m.	to point 212;
25	Thence	N. 55° 10' E.	57.33 m.	to point 213;
26	Thence	N. 39° 03' E.	35.59 m.	to point 214;
27	Thence	N. 55° 53' E.	90.90 m.	to point 215;
28	Thence	N. 48° 03' E.	105.27 m.	to point 216;

1	Thence	N. 60° 36' E.	26.08 m.	to point 217;
2	Thence	N. 73° 09' E.	16.22 m.	to point 218;
3	Thence	N. 55° 44' E.	35.91 m.	to point 219;
4	Thence	N. 38° 20' E.	97.05 m.	to point 220;
5	Thence	N. 48° 18' E.	20.79 m.	to point 221;
6	Thence	N. 58° 17' E.	75.53 m.	to point 222;
7	Thence	N. 40° 50' E.	37.53 m.	to point 223;
8	Thence	N. 22° 39' E.	37.43 m.	to point 224;
9	Thence	N. 22° 22' E.	36.87 m.	to point 225;
10	Thence	N. 16° 37' E.	48.12 m.	to point 226;
11	Thence	N. 06° 50' W.	49.22 m.	to point 227;
12	Thence	N. 30° 14' W.	173.15 m.	to point 228;
13	Thence	N. 37° 50' E.	76.92 m.	to point 229;
14	Thence	N. 00° 14' W.	1,349.12 m.	to point 230;
15	Thence	N. 24° 13' E.	817.75 m.	to point 231;
16	Thence	N. 02° 19' W.	372.35 m.	to point 232;
17	Thence	N. 44° 20' W.	622.12 m.	to point 233;
18	Thence	N. 18° 44' W.	205.95 m.	to point 234;
19	Thence	N. 85° 58' E.	339.47 m.	to point 235;
20	Thence	S. 84° 56' E.	394.59 m.	to point 236;
21	Thence	N. 73° 53' E.	131.88 m.	to point 237;
22	Thence	S. 79° 06' E.	257.96 m.	to point 238;
23	Thence	N. 61° 22' E.	234.49 m.	to point 239;
24	Thence	N. 68° 41' E.	281.13 m.	to point 240;
25	Thence	S. 73° 18' E.	263.82 m.	to point 241;
26	Thence	N. 70° 46' E.	94.63 m.	to point 242;
27	Thence	N. 60° 56' E.	161.60 m.	to point 243;
28	Thence	N. 15° 34' E.	108.01 m.	to point 244;

1	Thence	N. 07° 12' E.	145.56 m.	to point 245;
2	Thence	N. 33° 22' E.	138.27 m.	to point 246;
3	Thence	N. 53° 39' E.	158.44 m.	to point 247;
4	Thence	N. 71° 42' E.	149.36 m.	to point 248;
5	Thence	N. 89° 18' E.	368.33 m.	to point 249;
6	Thence	S. 68° 18' E.	67.60 m.	to point 250;
7	Thence	N. 47° 20' E.	50.90 m.	to point 251
8	Thence	N. 33° 49' E.	102.96 m.	to point 252;
9	Thence	N. 81° 59' E.	46.41 m.	to point 253;
10	Thence	S. 75° 30' E.	130.54 m.	to point 254;
11	Thence	S. 48° 46' E.	128.07 m.	to point 255;
12	Thence	S. 20° 22' E.	291.34 m.	to point 256;
13	Thence	S. 41° 30' E.	52.91 m.	to point 257;
14	Thence	S. 51° 46' E.	89.16 m.	to point 258;
15	Thence	S. 66° 42' E.	68.83 m.	to point 259;
16	Thence	S. 83° 33' E.	94.91 m.	to point 260;
17	Thence	S. 89° 44' E.	97.62 m.	to point 261;
18	Thence	N. 67° 14' E.	82.15 m.	to point 262;
19	Thence	N. 50° 41' E.	96.70 m.	to point 263;
20	Thence	N. 30° 36' E.	167.47 m.	to point 264;
21	Thence	N. 48° 55' E.	103.40 m.	to point 265;
22	Thence	N. 59° 30' E.	109.66 m.	to point 266;
23	Thence	S. 58° 40' E.	28.09 m.	to point 267;
24	Thence	S. 73° 26' E.	205.09 m.	to point 268;
25	Thence	S. 87° 26' E.	58.46 m.	to point 269;
26	Thence	N. 33° 59' E.	50.39 m.	to point 270;
27	Thence	N. 76° 45' E.	671.62 m.	to point 271;
28	Thence	S. 26° 47' E.	283.27 m.	to point 272;

1	Thence	S. 46° 33' E.	289.19 m.	to point 273;
2	Thence	S. 72° 48' E.	263.32 m.	to point 274;
3	Thence	N. 83° 14' E.	125.91 m.	to point 275;
4	Thence	N. 81° 47' E.	89.86 m.	to point 276;
5	Thence	N. 75° 09' E.	162.75 m.	to point 277;
6	Thence	N. 75° 08' E.	174.84 m.	to point 278;
7	Thence	N. 79° 39' E.	115.93 m.	to point 279;
8	Thence	N. 51° 11' E.	77.50 m.	to point 280;
9	Thence	S. 88° 06' E.	176.43 m.	to point 281;
10	Thence	N. 80° 14' E.	182.84 m.	to point 282;
11	Thence	N. 83° 19' E.	103.30 m.	to point 283;
12	Thence	S. 87° 05' E.	104.85 m.	to point 284;
13	Thence	N. 89° 38' E.	136.30 m.	to point 285;
14	Thence	S. 64° 32' E.	161.97 m.	to point 286;
15	Thence	S. 55° 06' E.	62.00 m.	to point 287;
16	Thence	S. 63° 59' E.	42.49 m.	to point 288;
17	Thence	S. 47° 12' E.	122.65 m.	to the point of

18 beginning; containing an area of one hundred forty-six million six hundred
 19 nine thousand eight hundred forty-two (146,609,842) square meters or fourteen
 20 thousand six hundred sixty point ninety-eight (14,660.98) hectares more or
 21 less.

22 The foregoing provision shall be without prejudice to the resolution by
 23 the appropriate agency or forum of any boundary dispute or case involving
 24 questions of territorial jurisdiction between the Mabalacat City and the
 25 adjoining local government units: *Provided*, That the territorial jurisdiction of
 26 the disputed area or areas shall remain with the local government unit which
 27 has existing administrative supervision over said area or areas until the final
 28 resolution of the case.

1 SEC. 3. *Corporate Powers of the City.* – The City constitutes a political
2 body corporate and as such is endowed with the attributes of perpetual
3 succession and possessed of the powers which pertain to a municipal
4 corporation to be exercised in conformity with the provisions of this Charter.
5 The City shall have the following corporate powers:

- 6 (a) To have a continuous succession in its corporate name;
7 (b) To sue and be sued;
8 (c) To have and use a corporate seal;
9 (d) To acquire, hold and convey real or personal property;
10 (e) To enter into any contract and/or agreement; and
11 (f) To exercise such other powers, prerogatives or authority subject to
12 the limitations provided in this Act or laws.

13 SEC. 4. *General Powers.* – The City shall have a common seal and may
14 alter the same at pleasure: *Provided*, That any change of corporate seal shall
15 be registered with the Department of the Interior and Local Government
16 (DILG). It shall exercise the powers to levy taxes; to close and open roads,
17 streets, alleys, parks or squares; to take, purchase, receive, hold, lease, convey
18 and dispose of real and personal property for the general interests of the City;
19 to expropriate or condemn private property for public use; to contract and to be
20 contracted with; to sue and be sued; to prosecute and defend to final judgment
21 and execution suits wherein the City is involved or interested in; and to
22 exercise all the powers as are granted to corporations or as hereinafter
23 conferred.

24 SEC. 5. *Liability for Damages.* – The City and its officials shall not be
25 exempt from liability for death or injury to persons or damage to property.

26 SEC. 6. *Jurisdiction of the City.* – The jurisdiction of the City, for
27 police purposes only, shall be coextensive with its territorial jurisdiction and,
28 for the purpose of protecting and ensuring the purity of the water supply of the

1 City, such police jurisdiction shall also extend over all the territory within the
2 drainage area of such water supply, or within one hundred meters (100 m.) of
3 any reservoir, conduit, canal, aqueduct or pumping station used in connection
4 with the city water service.

5 The city court of Mabalacat City shall have concurrent jurisdiction with
6 the city or municipal court of the adjoining municipalities or cities, to try
7 crimes and misdemeanors committed within said drainage area or within said
8 spaces of one hundred meters (100 m.).

9 The court first taking cognizance of such an offense shall have
10 jurisdiction to try cases to the exclusion of others. The police forces of several
11 municipalities and cities concerned shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the
12 police forces of the City for the maintenance of good order and the
13 enforcement of ordinances throughout said zone, area or spaces. But any
14 license that may be issued within said zone, area or spaces shall be granted by
15 the proper authorities of the city or municipality concerned, and the fees
16 arising therefrom shall accrue to the treasury of the said city or municipality
17 concerned and not to the City.

18 ARTICLE II

19 CITY OFFICIALS IN GENERAL

20 SEC. 7. *The Officials of Mabalacat City.* -- (a) There shall be in
21 Mabalacat City: a city mayor, a city vice mayor, sangguniang panlungsod
22 members, a secretary to the sangguniang panlungsod, a city treasurer and an
23 assistant city treasurer, a city assessor and an assistant city assessor, a city
24 accountant, a city budget officer, a city planning and development officer, a
25 city engineer, a city health officer, a city civil registrar, a city administrator, a
26 city legal officer, a city social welfare and development officer, a city
27 veterinarian, a city general services officer, a city environment and natural

1 resources officer, a city information officer, a city cooperatives officer and a
2 city agriculturist.

3 (b) In addition thereto, the city mayor may appoint a city building
4 official.

5 (c) There shall be established in the City a city fire station to be headed
6 by a city fire marshal, a city jail to be headed by a city jail warden, a city
7 schools division to be headed by a city schools division superintendent and a
8 city prosecution service to be headed by a city prosecutor.

9 (d) The Mabalacat City may:

10 (1) Maintain existing offices not mentioned in subsections (a) and (b)
11 hereof;

12 (2) Create such other offices as may be necessary to carry out the
13 purposes of the City, or

14 (3) Consolidate the functions of any office with those of another in the
15 interest of efficiency and economy.

16 (e) Unless otherwise provided herein, heads of departments and offices
17 shall be appointed by the city mayor with the concurrence of the majority of all
18 the sangguniang panlungsod members, subject to civil service law, rules and
19 regulations. The sangguniang panlungsod shall act on the appointment within
20 fifteen (15) days from the day of its submission, otherwise the same shall be
21 deemed confirmed.

22 ARTICLE III

23 THE CITY MAYOR AND CITY VICE MAYOR

24 SEC. 8. *The City Mayor.* – (a) The city mayor shall be the chief
25 executive of the City and shall be elected at large by the qualified voters of the
26 City. No person shall be eligible for the position of city mayor unless, at the
27 time of the election, one is at least twenty-one (21) years of age, a resident of
28 the City for at least one (1) year prior to his election and a qualified voter

1 therein. The city mayor shall hold office for three (3) years, unless sooner
2 removed, and shall receive a minimum monthly compensation corresponding
3 to Salary Grade Thirty (30) as prescribed under Republic Act No. 6758,
4 otherwise known as the "Compensation and Position Classification Act of
5 1989", and the implementing guidelines issued pursuant thereto.

6 The city mayor, as the chief executive of the city government, shall
7 exercise such powers and perform such duties and functions as provided
8 herein.

9 (b) For efficient, effective and economical governance, the purpose of
10 which is the general welfare of the City and its inhabitants, the city mayor
11 shall:

12 (1) Exercise those powers expressly granted to him by law, those
13 necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate or
14 incidental for the efficient and effective governance of the City, and those
15 which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare:

16 (i) Determine the guidelines of city policies and be responsible to the
17 sangguniang panlungsod for the program of government;

18 (ii) Direct the formulation of the city development plan, with the
19 assistance of the city development council and, upon approval thereof by the
20 sangguniang panlungsod, implement the same;

21 (iii) Present the program of government and propose policies and
22 projects for the consideration of the sangguniang panlungsod at the opening of
23 the regular session of the sangguniang panlungsod every calendar year and as
24 often as may be deemed necessary as the general welfare of the inhabitants and
25 the needs of the city government may require;

26 (iv) Initiate and propose legislative measures to the sangguniang
27 panlungsod and, as often as may be deemed necessary, provide such

1 information and data needed or requested by said sanggunian in the
2 performance of its legislative functions;

3 (v) Appoint all officials and employees whose appointments are not
4 otherwise provided for in this Act, as well as those the city mayor may be
5 authorized by law to appoint;

6 (vi) Represent the City in all its business transactions and sign on its
7 behalf all bonds, contracts and obligations, and such other documents upon the
8 authority of the sangguniang panlungsod or pursuant to law or ordinance;

9 (vii) Carry out such emergency measures as may be necessary during
10 and in the aftermath of man-made and natural disasters and calamities;

11 (viii) Determine the time, manner and place of payment of salaries or
12 wages of the officials and employees of the City, in accordance with law or
13 ordinance;

14 (ix) Allocate and assign office space to the City and other officials and
15 employees who, by law or ordinance, are entitled to such space in the office
16 and other buildings owned or leased by the city government;

17 (x) Ensure that all executive officials and employees of the City
18 faithfully discharge their duties and functions as provided for by law and
19 Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, otherwise known as the Local
20 Government Code of 1991, and cause to be instituted administrative or judicial
21 proceedings against any official or employee of the City who may have
22 committed an offense in the performance of his official duties;

23 (xi) Examine the books, records and other documents of all offices,
24 officials, agents or employees of the City and, in aid of executive powers and
25 authority, require all national officials and employees stationed in or assigned
26 to the City to make available such books, records and other documents in their
27 custody, except those classified by law as confidential;

1 (xii) Furnish copies of executive orders issued to the Office of the
2 President and the Office of the Secretary of the DILG within seventy-two (72)
3 hours after their issuance;

4 (xiii) Visit component barangays of the City at least once every six (6)
5 months to deepen understanding of the problems and conditions, listen and
6 give appropriate counsel to local officials and inhabitants of general laws and
7 ordinances which especially concern them, and otherwise conduct visits and
8 inspections to ensure that the governance of the City will improve the quality
9 of life of the inhabitants;

10 (xiv) Act on leave applications of officials and employees appointed
11 and on the commutation of the monetary value of their leave credits in
12 accordance with law;

13 (xv) Authorize official trips of city officials and employees outside of
14 the City for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days. *Provided*, That the trips
15 abroad or for a longer period may be authorized in accordance with the Local
16 Government Code of 1991;

17 (xvi) Call upon any national official or employee stationed in or
18 assigned to the City for advice on matters affecting the City and to make
19 recommendations thereon; coordinate with the said officials and employees in
20 the formulation and the implementation of plans, programs and projects; and,
21 when appropriate, initiate an administrative or judicial action against a national
22 government official or employee who may have committed an offense in the
23 performance of official duties while stationed in or assigned to the City;

24 (xvii) Authorize payment for medical care, necessary transportation,
25 subsistence, hospital or medical fees of city officials and employees who are
26 injured while in the performance of their official duties and functions, subject
27 to the availability of funds;

1 (xviii) Solemnize marriages, any provision of law to the contrary
2 notwithstanding;

3 (xix) Conduct an annual palarong panlungsod which shall feature
4 traditional sports and disciplines included in national and international games,
5 in coordination with the Department of Education (DepED); and

6 (xx) Submit to the provincial governor the following reports: an annual
7 report containing a summary of all matters pertinent to the management,
8 administration and development of the City and all information and data
9 relative to its political, social and economic conditions; and supplemental
10 reports when unexpected events and situations arise at any time during the
11 year, particularly when man-made and natural disasters or calamities affect the
12 general welfare of the City.

13 (2) Enforce all laws and ordinances relative to the governance of the
14 City and in the exercise of its appropriate corporate powers, as well as
15 implement all approved policies, programs, projects, services and activities of
16 the City; and, in addition, shall:

17 (i) Ensure that the acts of the City's component barangays and of its
18 officials and employees are within the scope of their prescribed powers, duties
19 and functions;

20 (ii) Call conventions, conferences, seminars or meetings of elective and
21 appointive officials of the City, including national officials and employees
22 stationed in or assigned to the City, at such time and place and on such subject
23 as may be deemed important for the promotion of the general welfare of the
24 local government unit and its inhabitants;

25 (iii) Issue such executive orders for the faithful and appropriate
26 enforcement and execution of laws and ordinances;

27 (iv) Be entitled to carry the necessary firearms within the territorial
28 jurisdiction;

1 (v) Act as the deputized representative of the National Police
2 Commission, formulate the peace and order plan of the City and, upon its
3 approval, implement the same, and as such, exercise general and operational
4 control and supervision over police forces in the City in accordance with
5 Republic Act No. 6975, otherwise known as the "Department of the Interior
6 and Local Government Act of 1990"; and

7 (vi) Call upon the law enforcement agencies to suppress disorder, riot,
8 lawless violence, rebellion, sedition or apprehend violators of the law when
9 public interest so requires and the city police forces are inadequate to cope
10 with the situation or the violators

11 (3) Initiate and maximize the generation of resources and revenues, and
12 apply the same to the implementation of development plans, program
13 objectives and priorities, particularly those resources and revenues
14 programmed for agro-industrial development and countryside growth and
15 progress and, relative thereto, shall:

16 (i) Require each head of an office or department to prepare and submit
17 an estimate of appropriations for the ensuing calendar year, in accordance with
18 the budget preparation process enshrined under the Local Government Code of
19 1991;

20 (ii) Prepare and submit to the sanggunian for approval the executive
21 and supplemental budgets of the City for the ensuing calendar year in the Local
22 Government Code of 1991;

23 (iii) Ensure that all taxes and other revenues of the City are collected,
24 and that city funds are applied to the payment of expenses and the settlement of
25 obligations of the City, in accordance with law or ordinance;

26 (iv) Issue licenses and permits and suspend or revoke the same for any
27 violation of the conditions upon which said licenses or permits had been
28 issued, pursuant to law or ordinance;

1 (v) Issue permits, without need of approval therefore from any national
2 agency, for the holding of activities for any charitable or welfare purpose,
3 excluding prohibited games of chance or shows contrary to law, public policy
4 and public morals;

5 (vi) Require owners of illegally constructed houses, buildings or other
6 structures to obtain the necessary permits, subject to such fines and penalties as
7 may be imposed by law or ordinance, or to make necessary changes in the
8 construction of the same when said construction violates any law or ordinance,
9 or to order the demolition or removal of said house, building or structure
10 within the period prescribed by law or ordinance;

11 (vii) Adopt adequate measures to safeguard and conserve land, mineral,
12 marine, forest and other resources of the City;

13 (viii) Provide efficient and effective property and supply management
14 in the City and protect the funds, credits, rights and other properties of the
15 City; and

16 (ix) Institute or cause to be instituted administrative or judicial
17 proceedings for violation of ordinances in the collection of taxes, fees, charges,
18 and for the recovery of funds and property; and cause the City to be defended
19 against all suits to ensure that its interests, resources and rights shall be
20 adequately protected.

21 (4) Ensure the delivery of basic services and the provision of adequate
22 facilities and, in addition thereto, shall:

23 (i) Ensure that the construction and repair of roads and highways
24 funded by the national government shall be, as far as practicable, carried out in
25 a spatially contiguous manner and in coordination with the construction and
26 repair of the roads and bridges of the City; and

27 (ii) Coordinate the implementation of technical services, including
28 public works and infrastructure programs, rendered by national offices.

1 (5) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
2 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
3 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

4 (c) During his incumbency, the city mayor shall hold office in the city
5 hall.

6 SEC. 9. *The City Vice Mayor.* – (a) There shall be a city vice mayor
7 who shall be elected in the same manner as the city mayor and shall, at the time
8 of the election, possess the same qualifications as the city mayor. The city
9 vice mayor shall hold office for three (3) years, unless sooner removed, and
10 shall receive a monthly compensation corresponding to Salary Grade
11 Twenty-six (26) as prescribed under the Salary Standardization Law and the
12 implementing guidelines issued pursuant thereto.

13 (b) The city vice mayor shall:

14 (1) Be the presiding officer of the sangguniang panlungsod and sign all
15 warrants drawn on the city treasury for all expenditures appropriated for the
16 operation of the sangguniang panlungsod;

17 (2) Subject to civil service law, rules and regulations, appoint all
18 officials and employees of the sangguniang panlungsod, except those whose
19 manner of appointment is specifically provided for under existing laws;

20 (3) Assume the office of the city mayor for the unexpired term of the
21 latter in the event of permanent vacancy;

22 (4) Exercise the powers and perform the duties and functions of the city
23 mayor in case of temporary vacancy; and

24 (5) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
25 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
26 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

ARTICLE IV

THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

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3 SEC. 10. *Composition.* – (a) The sangguniang panlungsod, the
4 legislative body of the City, shall be composed of the city vice mayor as the
5 presiding officer, the ten (10) regular sanggunian members, the president of the
6 city chapter of the liga ng mga barangay, the president of the panlungsod na
7 pederasyon ng mga sangguniang kabataan and the sectoral representatives, as
8 members.

9 (b) In addition thereto, there shall be three (3) sectoral representatives:
10 one (1) from the women sector; and, as shall be determined by the sangguniang
11 panlungsod within ninety (90) days prior to the holding of the local elections,
12 one (1) from the agricultural or industrial workers sector; and one (1) from the
13 other sectors, including urban poor or disabled persons.

14 (c) The regular members of the sangguniang panlungsod and sectoral
15 representatives shall be elected in the manner as may be provided by law.

16 SEC. 11. *Powers, Duties, Functions and Compensation.* – (a) The
17 sangguniang panlungsod, as the legislative body of the City, shall enact
18 ordinances, approve resolutions and appropriate funds for the general welfare
19 of the City and its inhabitants pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government
20 Code of 1991 and in the proper exercise of the corporate powers of the City as
21 provided for under Section 22 of the Local Government Code of 1991, and
22 shall:

23 (1) Approve ordinances and pass resolutions necessary for an efficient
24 and effective city government and, in this connection, shall:

25 (i) Review all ordinances approved by the sangguniang barangay and
26 executive orders issued by the punong barangay to determine whether these are
27 within the scope of the prescribed powers of the sangguniang barangay and of
28 the punong barangay;

1 (ii) Maintain peace and order by enacting measures to prevent and
2 suppress lawlessness, disorder, riot, violence, rebellion or sedition and impose
3 penalties for the violation of said ordinances;

4 (iii) Approve ordinances imposing a fine not exceeding Five thousand
5 pesos (P5,000.00) or an imprisonment for a period not exceeding one (1) year,
6 or both, at the discretion of the court, for violation of a city ordinance;

7 (iv) Adopt measures to protect the inhabitants of the City from the
8 harmful effects of man-made and natural disasters or calamities, and to provide
9 relief services and assistance to victims during and in the aftermath of said
10 disasters or calamities and in their return to productive livelihood following
11 said events;

12 (v) Enact ordinances intended to prevent, suppress and impose
13 appropriate penalties for habitual drunkenness in public places, vagrancy,
14 mendicancy, prostitution, the establishment and maintenance of house of
15 ill-repute, gambling and other prohibited games of chance, fraudulent devices
16 and ways to obtain money or property, drug addiction, maintenance of drug
17 dens, drug pushing, juvenile delinquency, the printing, distribution or
18 exhibition of obscene or pornographic materials or publications and such other
19 activities inimical to the welfare and morals of the inhabitants of the City;

20 (vi) Protect the environment and, to this end, it may set aside at least
21 ten percent (10%) of its development funds for the purpose of maintaining and
22 enhancing the ecological balance of the City. It may also impose appropriate
23 penalties for acts which endanger the environment, such as smuggling of
24 natural resources products and of endangered species of flora and fauna,
25 slash-and-burn farming and such other activities which result in pollution,
26 acceleration of siltation of rivers and lakes or of ecological imbalance;

1 (vii) Subject to the provisions of the Local Government Code of 1991
2 and other pertinent laws, determine the powers and duties of officials and
3 employees of the City;

4 (viii) Determine the positions and the salaries, wages, allowances and
5 other emoluments and benefits of officials and employees paid wholly or
6 mainly from city funds and provide for expenditures necessary for the proper
7 conduct of programs, projects, services and activities of the city government;

8 (ix) Authorize the payment of compensation to a qualified person not in
9 the government service who fills in a temporary vacancy or grant honoraria to
10 any qualified official or employee designated to fill in a temporary vacancy in
11 a concurrent capacity at the rate authorized by law;

12 (x) Provide a mechanism and the appropriate funds therefore for the
13 safety and protection of all city government properties, public documents or
14 records such as those relating to property inventory, land ownership, records of
15 births, marriages, deaths, assessments, taxation, accounts, business permits and
16 such other records and documents of public interest in the offices and
17 departments of the city government;

18 (xi) When the finances of the city government allow, provide for
19 additional allowances and other benefits to judges, prosecutors, public
20 elementary and high school teachers, and other national government employees
21 stationed in or assigned to the City;

22 (xii) Provide legal assistance to barangay officials who, in the
23 performance of their official duties or on the occasion thereof, have to initiate
24 judicial proceedings or defend themselves against legal actions; and

25 (xiii) Provide for group insurance or additional insurance coverage for
26 all barangay officials, including members of barangay tanod brigades and
27 service units, with public or private insurance companies, when the finances of
28 the city government allow said coverage.

1 (2) Generate and maximize the use of resources and revenues for the
2 development plans, program objectives and priorities of the City, with
3 particular attention to agro-industrial development and citywide growth and
4 progress, and relative thereto, shall:

5 (i) Approve the annual and supplemental budgets of the city
6 government and appropriate funds for specific programs, projects, services and
7 activities of the City, or for other purposes not contrary to law, in order to
8 promote the general welfare of the City and its inhabitants;

9 (ii) Subject to the provisions of Book II of the Local Government Code
10 of 1991 and applicable laws and, upon the majority vote of all the members of
11 the sangguniang panlungsod, enact ordinances levying taxes, fees and charges,
12 prescribing the rates thereof for general and specific purposes and granting tax
13 exemptions, incentives or reliefs;

14 (iii) Subject to the provisions of Book II of the Local Government Code
15 of 1991 and upon the majority vote of all the members of the sangguniang
16 panlungsod, authorize the city mayor to negotiate and contract loans and other
17 forms of indebtedness;

18 (iv) Subject to the provisions of Book II of the Local Government Code
19 of 1991 and applicable laws and, upon the majority vote of all the members of
20 the sangguniang panlungsod, enact ordinances authorizing the floating of
21 bonds or other instruments of indebtedness, for the purpose of raising funds to
22 finance development projects;

23 (v) Appropriate funds for the construction and maintenance or the
24 rental of buildings for the use of the City and, upon the majority vote of all the
25 members of the sangguniang panlungsod, authorize the city mayor to lease to
26 private parties such public buildings held in a proprietary capacity, subject to
27 existing laws, rules and regulations;

1 (vi) Prescribe reasonable limits and restraints on the use of property
2 within the jurisdiction of the City;

3 (vii) Adopt a comprehensive land-use plan for the City and ensure that
4 the formulation, adoption or modification of said plan shall be in coordination
5 with the approved provincial comprehensive land-use plan;

6 (viii) Reclassify lands within the jurisdiction of the City, subject to the
7 pertinent provisions of the Local Government Code of 1991;

8 (ix) Enact integrated zoning ordinances in consonance with the
9 approved comprehensive land-use plan, subject to existing laws, rules and
10 regulations; establish fire limits or zones, particularly in populous centers; and
11 regulate the construction, repair or modification of buildings within said limits
12 or zones in accordance with the provisions of the Fire Code of the Philippines;

13 (x) Subject to national law, process and approve subdivision plans for
14 residential, commercial or industrial purposes and other development purposes,
15 and to collect processing fees and other charges, the proceeds of which shall
16 accrue entirely to the City: *Provided, however,* That where approval of a
17 national agency or office is required, said approval shall not be withheld for
18 more than thirty (30) days from receipt of the application. Failure to act on the
19 application within the period stated above shall be deemed as approval thereof;

20 (xi) With the concurrence of at least two-thirds (2/3) vote of all the
21 members of the sangguniang panlungsod, grant tax exemptions, incentives or
22 reliefs to entities engaged in community growth-inducing industries, subject to
23 provisions of the Local Government Code of 1991;

24 (xii) Grant loans or provide grants to other local government units or to
25 national, provincial and city charitable, benevolent or educational institutions:
26 *Provided,* That said institutions are operated and maintained within the City;

27 (xiii) Regulate the numbering of residential, commercial and other
28 buildings; and

1 (xiv) Regulate the inspection, weighing and measuring of articles of
2 commerce.

3 (3) Subject to the provisions of Book II of the Local Government Code
4 of 1991, enact ordinances granting franchises and authorizing the issuance of
5 permits or licenses, upon such conditions and for such purposes intended to
6 promote the general welfare of the inhabitants of the City and, pursuant to this
7 legislative authority, shall:

8 (i) Fix and impose reasonable fees and charges for all services rendered
9 by the city government to private persons or entities;

10 (ii) Regulate or fix license fees for any business or practice of
11 profession within the City and the conditions under which the license for said
12 business or practice of profession may be revoked and enact ordinances
13 levying taxes thereon;

14 (iii) Provide for and set the terms and conditions under which public
15 utilities owned by the City shall be operated by the city government and
16 prescribe the conditions under which the same may be leased to private
17 persons or entities, preferably cooperatives;

18 (iv) Regulate the display of and fix the license fees for signs, signboards
19 or billboards at the place or places where the profession or business advertised
20 thereby is, in whole or in part, conducted;

21 (v) Any law to the contrary notwithstanding, authorize and license the
22 establishment, operation and maintenance of cockpits, and regulate
23 cockfighting and commercial breeding of gamecocks: *Provided*, That existing
24 rights should not be prejudiced;

25 (vi) Subject to the guidelines prescribed by the Department of
26 Transportation and Communications (DOTC), regulate the operation of
27 tricycles and grant franchises for the operation thereof within the territorial
28 jurisdiction of the City; and

1 (vii) Upon approval by a majority vote of all the members of the
2 sangguniang panlungsod, grant a franchise to any person, partnership,
3 corporation or cooperative to do business within the City; establish, construct,
4 operate and maintain ferries, wharves, markets or slaughterhouses; or
5 undertake such other activities within the City as may be allowed by existing
6 laws: *Provided*, That cooperatives shall be given preference in the grant of
7 such franchise.

8 (4) Regulate activities relative to the use of land, buildings and
9 structures within the City in order to promote the general welfare and, for the
10 said purpose, shall:

11 (i) Declare, prevent or abate any nuisance;

12 (ii) Require that buildings and the premises thereof and any land within
13 the City be kept and maintained in a sanitary condition; impose penalties for
14 any violation thereof; or upon failure to comply with the said requirement,
15 have the work done at the expense of the owner, administrator or tenant
16 concerned; and require the filling up of any lands or premises to a grade
17 necessary for proper sanitation;

18 (iii) Regulate the disposal of clinical and other wastes from hospitals,
19 clinics and other similar establishments;

20 (iv) Regulate the establishment, operation and maintenance of
21 restaurants, beerhouses, hotels, motels, inns, pension houses, lodging houses
22 and other similar establishments, including tourist guides and transports;

23 (v) Regulate the sale, giving away or dispensing of any intoxicating
24 malt, vino, mixed or fermented liquors at any retail outlets;

25 (vi) Regulate the establishment and provide for the inspection of steam
26 boilers or any heating device in buildings and the storage of inflammable and
27 highly combustible materials within the City;

1 (vii) Regulate the establishment, operation and maintenance of any
2 entertainment or amusement facilities, including the theatrical performances,
3 circuses, billiard halls, public dancing schools, public dance halls, sauna baths,
4 massage parlors and other places for entertainment or amusement; regulate
5 such other events or activities for amusement or entertainment, particularly
6 those which tend to disturb the community or annoy the inhabitants, or require
7 the suspension or suppression of the same; or prohibit certain forms of
8 amusement or entertainment in order to protect the social and moral welfare of
9 the community;

10 (viii) Provide for the impounding of stray animals; regulate the keeping
11 of animals in homes or as part of a business, and the slaughter, sale or
12 disposition of the same; and adopt measures to prevent and penalize cruelty to
13 animals; and

14 (ix) Regulate the establishment, operation and maintenance of funeral
15 parlors and the burial or cremation of the dead, subject to existing laws, rules
16 and regulations.

17 (5) Approve ordinances which shall ensure the efficient and effective
18 delivery of the basic services and facilities as provided for under the Local
19 Government Code of 1991 and, in addition to said services and facilities, shall:

20 (i) Provide for the establishment, maintenance, protection and
21 conservation of tree parks and greenbelts;

22 (ii) Establish markets, slaughterhouses or animal corrals and authorize
23 the operation thereof by the city government; and regulate the construction and
24 operation of private markets, talipapas or other similar buildings and
25 structures;

26 (iii) Regulate the preparation and sale of meat, poultry, fish, vegetables,
27 fruits, fresh dairy products and other foodstuffs for public consumption;

1 (iv) Regulate the use of streets, avenues, alleys, sidewalks, bridges,
2 parks and other public places and approve the construction, improvement,
3 repair and maintenance of the same; establish bus and vehicle stops and
4 terminals or regulate the use of the same by privately-owned vehicles which
5 serve the public; regulate garages and the operation of conveyances for hire;
6 designate stands to be occupied by public vehicles when not in use; regulate
7 the putting up of signs, signposts, awnings and awning posts on the streets; and
8 provide for the lighting, cleaning and sprinkling of streets and public places;

9 (v) Regulate traffic on all streets and bridges, prohibit encroachment or
10 obstacles thereon and, when necessary in the interest of public welfare,
11 authorize the removal of encroachments and illegal constructions in public
12 places;

13 (vi) Subject to existing laws, establish and provide for the maintenance,
14 repair and operation of an efficient waterworks system to supply water for the
15 inhabitants and to purify the source of the water supply; regulate the
16 construction, maintenance, repair and use of hydrants, pumps, cisterns and
17 reservoirs; protect the purity and the quantity of the water supply of the City
18 and, for this purpose, extend the coverage of appropriate ordinances over all
19 territory within the drainage area of said water supply within one hundred
20 meters (100 m.) of the reservoir, canal, conduit, aqueduct, pumping station and
21 watershed used in connection with the water service; and regulate the
22 consumption, use or wastage of water and fix and collect charges thereof;

23 (vii) Regulate the drilling and excavation of the ground for the laying of
24 water, gas, sewer and other pipes, and the construction, repair and maintenance
25 of public drains, sewers, cesspools, tunnels and similar structures; regulate the
26 placing of poles and the use of crosswalks, curbs and gutters; adopt measures
27 to ensure public safety against open canals, manholes, live wires and other
28 similar hazards to life and property; and regulate the construction and use of

1 private water closets, privies and other similar structures in buildings and
2 homes;

3 (viii) Regulate the placing, stringing, attaching, installing, repair and
4 construction of all gas mains, electric telegraph and telephone wires, conduits,
5 meters and other apparatus; and provide for the correction, condemnation or
6 removal of the same when found to be dangerous to the welfare of the
7 inhabitants;

8 (ix) Subject to the availability of funds and to existing laws, rules and
9 regulations, establish and provide for the operation of vocational and technical
10 schools and similar post-secondary institutions and, with the approval of the
11 Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), and subject
12 to existing laws on tuition fees, fix and collect reasonable tuition fees and other
13 school charges in educational institutions supported by the city government;

14 (x) Establish a scholarship fund for the poor but deserving students in
15 schools located within its jurisdiction or for students residing within the City;

16 (xi) Approve measures and adopt quarantine regulations to prevent the
17 introduction and the spread of diseases;

18 (xii) Provide for an efficient and effective system of solid waste and
19 garbage collection and disposal and prohibit littering and the placing or
20 throwing of garbage, refuse and other filth and wastes;

21 (xiii) Provide for the care of persons with disabilities (PWD), paupers,
22 the aged, the sick, persons of unsound mind, abandoned minors, juvenile
23 delinquents, drug dependents, abused children and the youth below eighteen
24 (18) years of age, and subject to the availability of funds, establish and provide
25 for the operation of centers and facilities for the said needy and disadvantaged
26 persons;

27 (xiv) Establish and provide for the maintenance and improvement of
28 jails and detention centers, institute a sound jail management program and

1 appropriate funds for the subsistence of detainees and convicted prisoners in
2 the City;

3 (xv) Establish a city council whose purpose is the promotion of culture
4 and the arts, coordinate with government agencies and nongovernmental
5 organizations and, subject to the availability of funds, appropriate funds for the
6 support and development of the same; and

7 (xvi) Establish a city council for the elderly and senior citizens which
8 shall formulate policies and adopt measures mutually beneficial to the elderly
9 and to the community; provide incentives for nongovernmental agencies and
10 entities and, subject to the availability of funds, appropriate funds to support
11 programs and projects for the benefit of the elderly.

12 (6) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
13 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
14 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

15 (b) The members of the sangguniang panlungsod of Mabalacat City
16 shall receive a minimum monthly compensation corresponding to Salary Grade
17 Twenty-five (25) as prescribed under the Salary Standardization Law and the
18 implementing guidelines issued pursuant thereto.

19 ARTICLE V

20 PROCESS OF LEGISLATION

21 SEC. 12. *Internal Rules of Procedure.* – (a) On the first regular session
22 following the election of its members and within ninety (90) days thereafter,
23 the sangguniang panlungsod shall adopt or update its existing rules of
24 procedure.

25 (b) The rules of procedure shall provide for the following:

26 (1) The organization of the sanggunian and the election of its officers as
27 well as the creation of standing committees which shall include, but shall not
28 be limited to, the committees on appropriations, revenues, engineering and

1 public works, education and health, women and family, human rights, youth
2 and sports development, environmental protection, peace and order and traffic,
3 and cooperatives; the general jurisdiction of each committee; and the election
4 of the chairperson and members of each committee;

5 (2) The order and calendar of business for each session;

6 (3) The legislative process;

7 (4) The parliamentary procedures which include the conduct of
8 members during sessions;

9 (5) The discipline of members for disorderly behavior and absences
10 without justifiable cause for four (4) consecutive sessions for which they may
11 be censured, reprimanded or excluded from the session, suspended for not
12 more than sixty (60) days or expelled: *Provided*, That the penalty of
13 suspension or expulsion shall require the concurrence of at least two-thirds
14 (2/3) vote of all the sanggunian members: *Provided, further*, That the member
15 convicted by final judgment to imprisonment of at least one (1) year for any
16 crime involving moral turpitude shall be automatically expelled from the
17 sanggunian; and

18 (6) Such other rules as the sanggunian may adopt.

19 SEC. 13. *Full Disclosure of Financial and Business Interests of*
20 *Sangguniang Panlungsod Members.* – (a) Every sangguniang panlungsod
21 member shall, upon assumption to office, make a full disclosure of business
22 and financial interests. They shall also disclose any business, financial,
23 professional relationship or any relation by affinity or consanguinity within the
24 fourth civil degree, which they may have with any person, firm or entity
25 affected by any ordinance or resolution under consideration by the sanggunian
26 of which one is a member, which relationship may result in conflict of
27 interests. Such relationship shall include:

1 (1) Ownership of stock or capital, or investment in the entity or firm to
2 which the ordinance or resolution may apply; and

3 (2) Contracts or agreements with any person or entity which the
4 ordinance or resolution under consideration may affect.

5 In the absence of a specific constitutional or statutory provision
6 applicable to this situation, "conflict of interest" refers, in general, to one
7 where it may be reasonably deduced that a member of a sanggunian may not
8 act in the public interest due to some private, pecuniary or other personal
9 considerations that may tend to affect his judgment to the prejudice of the
10 service or the public.

11 (b) The disclosure required under this Act shall be made in writing
12 submitted to the secretary of the sanggunian or the secretary of the committee
13 of which he is a member. The disclosure shall, in all cases, form part of the
14 record of the proceedings and shall be made in the following manner:

15 (1) Disclosure shall be made before the member participates in
16 deliberations on the ordinance or resolution under consideration: *Provided,*
17 That if the member did not participate during the deliberations, the disclosure
18 shall be made before voting on the ordinance or resolution on second and third
19 readings; and

20 (2) Disclosure shall be made when a member takes a position or makes
21 a privilege speech on a matter that may affect the business interest, financial
22 connection or professional relationship described herein.

23 SEC. 14. *Sessions.* – (a) On the first day of the session immediately
24 following the election of its members, the sangguniang panlungsod shall, by
25 resolution, fix the day, time and place of its sessions. The minimum number of
26 regular sessions shall be once a week for the sangguniang panlungsod and
27 twice a month for the sangguniang barangay.

1 (b) When the public interest so demands, special sessions may be called
2 by the city mayor or by a majority of the members of the sanggunian.

3 (c) All sanggunian sessions shall be open to the public unless a
4 closed-door session is ordered by an affirmative vote of the majority of the
5 members present, there being a quorum, in the public interest or for reasons of
6 security, decency or morality. No two (2) sessions, regular or special, may be
7 held in a single day.

8 (d) In the case of special sessions of the sanggunian, a written notice to
9 the members shall be served personally at the members' usual place of
10 residence at-least twenty-four (24) hours before the special session is held.

11 Unless otherwise concurred in by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the
12 sanggunian members present, there being a quorum, no other matters may be
13 considered at a special session except those stated in the notice.

14 (e) The sangguniang panlungsod shall keep a journal and a record of its
15 proceedings, which may be published upon resolution of the majority of its
16 members.

17 SEC. 15. *Quorum.* – (a) A majority of all the members of the
18 sanggunian who have been elected and qualified shall constitute a quorum to
19 transact official business. Should a question of quorum be raised during a
20 session, the presiding officer shall immediately proceed to call the roll of the
21 members and thereafter announce the results.

22 (b) Where there is no quorum, the presiding officer may declare a
23 recess until such time a quorum is constituted, or a majority of the members
24 present may adjourn from day to day and may compel the immediate
25 attendance of any member absent without justifiable cause by designating a
26 member of the sanggunian, to be assisted by a member or members of the
27 police force assigned in the territorial jurisdiction of Mabalacat City, to arrest
28 the absent member and present him at the session.

1 (c) If there is still no quorum despite the enforcement of the
2 immediately preceding subsection, no business shall be transacted. The
3 presiding officer, upon proper motion duly approved by the members present,
4 shall then declare the session adjourned for lack of quorum.

5 SEC. 16. *Approval of Ordinances.* – (a) Every ordinance enacted by
6 the sangguniang panlungsod shall be presented to the city mayor. If the city
7 mayor approves the same, the signature on each and every page thereof shall
8 be affixed, otherwise, the ordinance shall be vetoed and returned with the
9 statement on the objections to the sanggunian, which may proceed to
10 reconsider the same. The sanggunian may override the veto of the city mayor
11 by two-thirds (2/3) vote of all its members, thereby making the ordinance or
12 resolution effective for all legal intents and purposes.

13 (b) The veto shall be communicated by the city mayor to the sanggunian
14 within ten (10) days, otherwise, the ordinance shall be deemed approved as if it
15 had been signed,

16 SEC. 17. *Veto Power of the City Mayor.* – (a) The city mayor may veto
17 any ordinance of the sangguniang panlungsod on the ground that it is *ultra*
18 *vires* or prejudicial to the public welfare, stating the reasons thereof in writing.

19 (b) The city mayor shall have the power to veto any particular item or
20 items of an appropriations ordinance, an ordinance or resolution adopting a
21 local development plan, any public investment program or an ordinance
22 directing the payment of money or creating liability. In such case, the vetoed
23 item or items shall not affect the item or items which are not objected to.
24 The vetoed item or items shall not take effect unless the sangguniang
25 panlungsod overrides the veto in the manner herein provided; otherwise, the
26 item or items in the appropriations ordinance of the previous year
27 corresponding to those vetoed, if any, shall be deemed enacted.

1 (c) The city mayor may veto an ordinance or resolution only once.
2 The sanggunian may override the veto of the city mayor by two-thirds (2/3)
3 vote of all its members, thereby making the ordinance effective even without
4 the approval of the city mayor.

5 SEC. 18. *Review of City Ordinances by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan.*

6 – (a) Within three (3) days after approval, the secretary to the sangguniang
7 panlungsod shall forward to the sangguniang panlalawigan for review, copies
8 of approved ordinances and the resolutions approving the local development
9 plans and the public investment programs formulated by the local development
10 councils.

11 (b) Within thirty (30) days after receipt of copies of such ordinances
12 and resolutions, the sangguniang panlalawigan shall examine the documents or
13 transmit them to the provincial attorney or the provincial prosecutor for prompt
14 examination. The provincial attorney or the provincial prosecutor shall, within
15 a period of ten (10) days from receipt of the documents, inform the
16 sangguniang panlalawigan in writing of comments or recommendations, which
17 may be considered by the sangguniang panlalawigan in making its decision.

18 (c) If the sangguniang panlalawigan finds that such an ordinance or
19 resolution is beyond the power conferred upon the sangguniang panlungsod
20 concerned, it shall declare such ordinance or resolution invalid in whole or in
21 part. The sangguniang panlalawigan shall enter its action in the minutes and
22 shall advise the corresponding city authorities of the action it has taken.

23 (d) If no action has been taken by the sangguniang panlalawigan within
24 thirty (30) days after submission of such an ordinance or resolution, the same
25 shall be presumed to be consistent with law and therefore valid.

26 SEC. 19. *Review of Barangay Ordinances by the Sangguniang*
27 *Panlungsod.* – (a) Within ten (10) days after its enactment, the sangguniang
28 barangay shall furnish copies of all barangay ordinances to the sangguniang

1 panlungsod for review as to whether the ordinances are consistent with law or
2 city ordinances.

3 (b) If the sangguniang panlungsod fails to take action on barangay
4 ordinances within thirty (30) days from receipt thereof, the same shall be
5 deemed approved.

6 (c) If the sangguniang panlungsod finds the barangay ordinances
7 inconsistent with law or city ordinances, the sangguniang panlungsod shall,
8 within thirty (30) days from receipt thereof, return the same with its comments
9 and recommendations to the sangguniang barangay concerned for adjustment,
10 amendment or modification; in which case, the effectivity of the barangay
11 ordinance is suspended until such time as the revision called for is effected.

12 SEC. 20. *Enforcement of Disapproved Ordinances or Resolutions.* –
13 Any attempt to enforce any ordinance or any resolution approving the local
14 development plan and the public investment program after disapproval thereof,
15 shall be sufficient ground for the suspension or dismissal of the official or
16 employee concerned.

17 SEC. 21. *Effectivity of Ordinances or Resolutions.* – (a) Unless
18 otherwise stated in the ordinance or the resolution approving the local
19 development plan and the public investment program, the same shall take
20 effect after ten (10) days from the date a copy thereof is posted in a bulletin
21 board at the entrance of Mabalacat City Hall and in at least two (2) other
22 conspicuous places in Mabalacat City not later than five (5) days after approval
23 thereof.

24 (b) The secretary of the sangguniang panlungsod shall cause the posting
25 of an ordinance or resolution in the bulletin board at the entrance of the city
26 hall and in at least two (2) conspicuous places in Mabalacat City not later than
27 five (5) days after approval thereof. The text of the ordinance or resolution
28 shall be disseminated and posted in Filipino or English, and the secretary of the

1 sangguniang panlungsod shall record such fact in a book kept for the purpose,
2 stating the dates of approval and posting.

3 (c) The main features of the ordinance or the resolution duly enacted or
4 adopted shall, in addition to being posted, be published once in a local
5 newspaper of general circulation within the City: *Provided*, That in the
6 absence thereof, the ordinance or the resolution shall be published in any
7 newspaper of general circulation: *Provided, further*, That the gist of all
8 ordinances with penal sanctions shall also be published in a newspaper of
9 general circulation.

10 ARTICLE VI

11 DISQUALIFICATION AND SUCCESSION OF ELECTIVE CITY OFFICIALS

12 SEC. 22. *Disqualification of Elective Public City Officials* -- The
13 following persons are disqualified from running for any elective position in the
14 City:

15 (a) Those sentenced by final judgment for an offense involving moral
16 turpitude or an offense punishable by one (1) year or more of imprisonment
17 within two (2) years after serving sentence;

18 (b) Those removed from office as a result of an administrative case;

19 (c) Those convicted by final judgment for violating the oath of
20 allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines;

21 (d) Those with dual citizenship;

22 (e) Fugitives from justice in criminal or nonpolitical cases here and
23 abroad;

24 (f) Permanent residents in a foreign country or those who have acquired
25 the right to reside abroad and continue to avail of the same right after the
26 effectivity of the Local Government Code of 1991; and

27 (g) The insane or feeble-minded.

1 SEC. 23. *Permanent Vacancy in the Offices of the City Mayor and the*
2 *City Vice Mayor.* – (a) If a permanent vacancy occurs in the office of the city
3 mayor, the city vice mayor concerned shall become the city mayor. If a
4 permanent vacancy occurs in the office of the city vice mayor, the highest
5 ranking sangguniang panlungsod member or, in case of permanent incapacity,
6 the second highest ranking sangguniang panlungsod member becomes the city
7 mayor or the city vice mayor, as the case may be. Subsequent vacancies in the
8 said offices shall be filled automatically by the other sanggunian members
9 according to their ranking as defined herein.

10 (b) A tie between or among the highest ranking sangguniang
11 panlungsod members shall be resolved by drawing of lots.

12 (c) The successors as defined herein shall serve only the unexpired
13 terms of their predecessors.

14 (d) For purposes of this Act, a permanent vacancy arises when an
15 elective local official fills in a higher vacant office, refuses to assume office,
16 fails to qualify, dies, is removed from office, voluntarily resigns or is otherwise
17 permanently incapacitated to discharge the functions of the office.

18 (e) For purposes of succession as provided for in this Act, ranking in
19 the sanggunian shall be determined on the basis of the proportion of votes
20 obtained by each winning candidate to the total number of registered voters in
21 the City in the immediately preceding local election.

22 SEC. 24. *Permanent Vacancies in the Sangguniang Panlungsod.* –
23 Permanent vacancies in the sangguniang panlungsod where automatic
24 succession as provided above does not apply shall be filled in by appointments
25 in the following manner:

26 (a) The provincial governor shall make the aforesaid appointments;

27 (b) Only the nominee of the political party under which the sanggunian
28 member concerned had been elected shall be appointed in the manner herein

1 provided. The appointee shall come from the same political party as that of the
2 sanggunian member who caused the vacancy and shall serve the unexpired
3 term of the vacant office.

4 In the appointment herein mentioned, a nomination and a certificate of
5 membership of the appointee from the highest official of the political party
6 concerned are conditions *sine qua non*, and any appointment without such
7 nomination and certification shall be null and void *ab initio* and shall be a
8 ground for administrative action against the official responsible therefor;

9 (c) In case the permanent vacancy is caused by a sanggunian member
10 who does not belong to any political party, the city mayor shall, upon the
11 recommendation of the sangguniang panlungsod, appoint a qualified person to
12 fill in the vacancy; and

13 (d) In case of vacancy in the representation of the youth and the
14 barangay in the sangguniang panlungsod, said vacancy shall be filled in
15 automatically by the official next-in-rank of the organization concerned.

16 SEC. 25. *Temporary Vacancy in the Office of the City Mayor.* – (a)
17 When the city mayor is temporarily incapacitated to perform the duties for
18 physical or legal reasons such as, but not limited to, leave of absence, travel
19 abroad and suspension from office, the city vice mayor or the highest
20 sangguniang panlungsod member shall automatically exercise the powers and
21 perform the duties and functions of the city mayor, except the power to
22 appoint, suspend or dismiss employees which can only be exercised if the
23 period of temporary incapacity exceeds thirty (30) working days.

24 (b) Said temporary incapacity shall terminate upon submission to the
25 sangguniang panlungsod of a written declaration by the city mayor of having
26 reported back to office. In case where the temporary incapacity is due to legal
27 cause, the city mayor shall also submit necessary documents showing that the
28 said legal cause no longer exists.

1 (c) When the city mayor is traveling within the country but outside the
2 territorial jurisdiction for a period not exceeding three (3) consecutive days,
3 the officer-in-charge of the office may be designated in writing. Such
4 authorization shall specify the powers and functions that the local official
5 concerned shall exercise in the absence of the city mayor, except the power to
6 appoint, suspend or dismiss employees.

7 (d) In the event, however, that the city mayor fails or refuses to issue
8 such authorization, the city vice mayor or the highest ranking sangguniang
9 panlungsod member, as the case may be, shall have the right to assume the
10 powers, duties and functions of the said office on the fourth (4th) day of
11 absence of the city mayor, subject to the limitations provided for in subsection
12 (c) hereof.

13 (e) Except as provided above, the city mayor shall, in no case, authorize
14 any local official to assume the powers, duties and functions of the office other
15 than the city vice mayor or the highest ranking member of the sangguniang
16 panlungsod, as the case may be.

17 ARTICLE VII

18 THE APPOINTIVE OFFICIALS OF THE CITY

19 SEC. 26. *The Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod.* – (a) There
20 shall be a secretary to the sangguniang panlungsod who shall be a career
21 official with the rank and salary equal to a head of a department or office.

22 (b) No person shall be appointed secretary to the sangguniang
23 panlungsod unless one is a citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat
24 City, of good moral character, a holder of a college degree preferably in law,
25 commerce or public administration from a recognized college or university and
26 a first grade civil service eligible or its equivalent.

27 (c) The secretary to the sangguniang panlungsod shall take charge of
28 the office of the sangguniang panlungsod, and shall:

1 (1) Attend meetings of the sangguniang panlungsod and keep a journal
2 of its proceedings; -

3 (2) Keep the seal of the City and affix the same with his signature to all
4 ordinances, resolutions and other official acts of the sangguniang panlungsod,
5 and present the same to the presiding officer for his signature;

6 (3) Forward to the city mayor for approval, copies of ordinances enacted
7 by the sangguniang panlungsod, duly certified by the presiding officer;

8 (4) Forward to the Department of Budget and Management (DBM)
9 copies of the appropriations ordinances passed by the sangguniang panlungsod
10 as provided for under Section 326, Book II of the Local Government Code of
11 1991;

12 (5) Forward to the sangguniang panlalawigan copies of duly approved
13 ordinances in the manner as provided for in Sections 56 and 57 of the Local
14 Government Code of 1991;

15 (6) Furnish, upon the request of any interested party, certified copies of
16 records of public character in his custody, upon payment to the city treasurer of
17 such fees as may be prescribed by ordinance;

18 (7) Record in a book kept for the purpose, all ordinances and
19 resolutions enacted or adopted by the sangguniang panlungsod, with the dates
20 of passage and publication thereof;

21 (8) Keep the office and all nonconfidential records therein open to the
22 public during usual business hours;

23 (9) Translate into the dialect used by the majority of the inhabitants,
24 ordinances and resolutions immediately after their approval, and cause the
25 publication of the same together with the original version in the manner
26 provided under the Local Government Code of 1991;

27 (10) Take custody of the local archives and, where applicable, the local
28 library and annually account for the same; and

1 (11) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
2 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
3 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

4 SEC. 27. *The City Treasurer.* – (a) The city treasurer shall be
5 appointed by the Secretary of the Department of Finance (DOF) from a list of
6 at least three (3) ranking eligible recommendees of the city mayor, subject to
7 civil service law, rules and regulations.

8 (b) The city treasurer shall be under the administrative supervision of
9 the city mayor, to whom one shall report regularly on the tax collection efforts
10 of the City.

11 (c) No person shall be appointed city treasurer unless one is a citizen of
12 the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral character, a holder
13 of a college degree preferably in commerce, public administration or law from
14 a recognized college or university, and a first grade civil service eligible or its
15 equivalent. One must have acquired experience in treasury or accounting
16 service for at least five (5) years.

17 (d) The city treasurer shall receive such compensation, emoluments and
18 allowances as may be determined by law.

19 (e) The city treasurer shall take charge of the city finance department,
20 and shall:

21 (1) Advise the city mayor, the sangguniang panlungsod and other local
22 government and national officials concerned regarding disposition of local
23 government funds and on such other matters relative to public finance;

24 (2) Take custody and exercise proper management of the funds of the
25 City;

26 (3) Take charge of the disbursement of all funds of the City and such
27 other funds, the custody of which has been entrusted by law or other competent
28 authority;

1 (4) Inspect private commercial and industrial establishments within the
2 jurisdiction of the City in relation to the implementation of tax ordinances,
3 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Code of 1991;

4 (5) Maintain and update the tax information system of the City; and

5 (6) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
6 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
7 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

8 SEC. 28. *The Assistant City Treasurer.* – (a) The assistant city treasurer
9 may be appointed by the Secretary of the DOF from a list of at least three (3)
10 ranking eligible recommendees of the city mayor, subject to civil service law,
11 rules and regulations.

12 (b) No person shall be appointed assistant city treasurer unless one is a
13 citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral
14 character, a holder of a college degree preferably in commerce, public
15 administration or law from a recognized college or university, and a first grade
16 civil service eligible or its equivalent. One must have acquired at least four (4)
17 years of experience in treasury or accounting.

18 (c) The assistant city treasurer shall receive such compensation,
19 emoluments and allowances as may be determined by law.

20 (d) The assistant city treasurer shall assist the city treasurer in
21 performing such other duties as may be assigned to him and shall have
22 authority to administer oaths concerning notices and notifications to those
23 delinquent in the payment of the real property tax and concerning official
24 matters relating to the accounts of the city treasurer or otherwise arising from
25 the offices of the city treasurer and the city assessor.

26 SEC. 29. *The City Assessor.* – (a) The city assessor must be a citizen
27 of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral character, a
28 holder of a college degree preferably in civil or mechanical engineering,

1 commerce or any other related course from a recognized college or university,
2 and a first grade civil service eligible or its equivalent. One must have an
3 experience in real property assessment work or in any related field for at least
4 five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the appointment.

5 (b) The city assessor shall receive such compensation, emoluments and
6 allowances as may be determined by law.

7 (c) The city assessor shall take charge of the city assessor's department,
8 and shall:

9 (1) Ensure that all laws and policies governing the appraisal and
10 assessment of real properties for taxation purposes are properly executed;

11 (2) Initiate, review and recommend changes in policies and objectives,
12 plans and programs, techniques, procedures and practices in the evaluation and
13 assessment of real properties for taxation purposes;

14 (3) Establish a systematic method of real property assessment;

15 (4) Install and maintain real property identification and accounting
16 systems;

17 (5) Prepare, install and maintain a system of tax mapping, showing
18 graphically all properties subject to assessment and gather all data concerning
19 the same;

20 (6) Conduct regular physical surveys to verify and determine whether
21 all real properties within the City are properly listed in the assessment rolls;

22 (7) Exercise the functions of appraisal and assessment primarily for
23 taxation purposes of all real properties in the City;

24 (8) Prepare a schedule of the fair market value of the different classes
25 of real properties in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government
26 Code of 1991;

1 (9) Issue, upon request of any interested party, certified copies of
2 assessment records of real properties and all other records relative to its
3 assessment, upon payment of a service charge or fee to the city treasurer;

4 (10) Submit every semester a report of all assessments, as well as
5 cancellations and modifications of assessments to the city mayor and the
6 sangguniang panlungsod; and

7 (11) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
8 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
9 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

10 SEC. 30. *The Assistant City Assessor.* – (a) The assistant city assessor
11 must be a citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good
12 moral character, a holder of a college degree preferably in civil or mechanical
13 engineering, commerce or any related course from a recognized college or
14 university, and a first grade civil service eligible or its equivalent.
15 The assistant city assessor must have acquired experience in assessment or in
16 any related field for at least three (3) years immediately preceding the date of
17 the appointment.

18 (b) The assistant city assessor shall receive such compensation,
19 emoluments and allowances as may be determined by law.

20 (c) The assistant city assessor shall assist the city assessor and perform
21 such other duties as may be assigned to him and shall have authority to
22 administer oaths on all declarations of all real properties for purposes of
23 assessment.

24 SEC. 31. *The City Accountant.* – (a) The city accountant must be a
25 citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral
26 character, a certified public accountant and must have acquired experience in
27 the treasury or accounting service for at least five (5) years immediately
28 preceding the date of the appointment.

1 (b) The city accountant shall receive such compensation, emoluments
2 and allowances as may be determined by law.

3 (c) The city accountant shall take charge of both the office of the
4 accounting and internal audit services, and shall:

5 (1) Install and maintain an internal audit system in the City;

6 (2) Prepare and submit financial statements to the city mayor and to the
7 sangguniang panlungsod;

8 (3) Apprise the sangguniang panlungsod and other officials on the
9 financial condition and operations of the City;

10 (4) Certify to the availability of budgetary allotment from which
11 expenditures and obligations may be properly charged;

12 (5) Review supporting documents before the preparation of vouchers to
13 determine completeness of requirements;

14 (6) Prepare statement of cash advances, liquidations, salaries,
15 allowances, reimbursements and remittances pertaining to the City;

16 (7) Prepare statements of journal vouchers and liquidations of the same
17 and other adjustments related thereto;

18 (8) Post individual disbursements to subsidiary ledgers and index cards;

19 (9) Maintain individual ledgers for officials and employees of the City
20 pertaining to payrolls and deductions;

21 (10) Record and post in index cards details of purchased furniture,
22 fixtures and equipment, including disposal thereof, if any;

23 (11) Account for all issued requests for obligations and maintain and
24 keep all records and reports related thereto;

25 (12) Prepare journals and the analysis of obligations and maintain and
26 keep all records and reports related thereto; and

1 (13) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
2 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
3 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

4 SEC. 32. *The City Budget Officer.* – (a) The city budget officer must
5 be a citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral
6 character, holder of a college degree preferably in accounting, economics,
7 public administration or any related course from a recognized college or
8 university, and a first grade civil service eligible or its equivalent. The city
9 budget officer must have acquired experience in government budgeting or in
10 any related field for at least five (5) years immediately preceding the date of
11 the appointment.

12 (b) The city budget officer shall take charge of the city budget
13 department, and shall:

14 (1) Prepare forms, orders and circulars embodying instructions on
15 budgetary and appropriation matters for the signature of the city mayor;

16 (2) Review and consolidate the budget proposals of different
17 departments and offices of the City;

18 (3) Assist the city mayor in the preparation of the budget and during and
19 after the budget hearings;

20 (4) Study and evaluate budgetary implication of proposed legislation
21 and submit comments and recommendations thereon;

22 (5) Submit periodic budgetary reports to the DBM;

23 (6) Coordinate with the city treasurer, the city accountant and the city
24 planning and development officer for the purpose of budgeting;

25 (7) Assist the sangguniang panlungsod in reviewing the approved
26 budgets of the component barangays;

27 (8) Coordinate with the city planning and development office in the
28 formulation of the development plan of the City; and

1 (9) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
2 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
3 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

4 SEC. 33. *The City Planning and Development Officer.* – (a) The city
5 planning and development officer must be a citizen of the Philippines, a
6 resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral character, a holder of a college
7 degree preferably in urban planning, development studies, economics, public
8 administration or in any related course from a recognized college or university,
9 and a first grade civil service eligible or its equivalent. One must have
10 acquired experience in development planning or in any related field for at least
11 five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the appointment.

12 (b) The city planning and development officer shall receive such
13 compensation, emoluments and allowances as may be determined by law.

14 (c) The city planning development officer shall take charge of the city
15 planning and development coordinating office, and shall:

16 (1) Formulate integrated economic, social, physical and other
17 development plans and policies for the consideration of the City;

18 (2) Conduct continuing studies, researches and training programs
19 necessary to evolve plans and programs for implementation;

20 (3) Integrate and coordinate all sectoral plans and studies undertaken by
21 the different functional groups or agencies;

22 (4) Monitor and evaluate the implementation of the different
23 development programs, projects and activities in the City in accordance with
24 the approved development plan;

25 (5) Prepare comprehensive plans and other development planning
26 documents for the consideration of the local development council;

1 (6) Analyze the income and expenditure patterns, and formulate and
2 recommend fiscal plans and policies for the consideration of the finance
3 committee of the sangguniang panlungsod;

4 (7) Promote people's participation in development planning within the
5 City;

6 (8) Exercise supervision and control over the secretariat of the local
7 development council; and

8 (9) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
9 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
10 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

11 SEC. 34. *The City Engineer.* – (a) The city engineer must be a citizen
12 of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral character and a
13 licensed civil engineer. One must have acquired experience in the practice of
14 profession for at least five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the
15 appointment.

16 (b) The city engineer shall receive such compensation, emoluments and
17 allowances as may be determined by law.

18 (c) The city engineer shall take charge of the city engineering office,
19 and shall:

20 (1) Initiate, review and recommend changes in policies and objectives,
21 plans and programs, techniques, procedures and practices in infrastructure
22 development and public works in general of the City;

23 (2) Advise the city mayor on infrastructure, public works and other
24 engineering matters;

25 (3) Administer, coordinate, supervise and control the construction,
26 maintenance, improvement and repair of roads, bridges, other engineering and
27 public works projects of the City,

1 (4) Provide engineering services to the City, including investigations
2 and surveys, engineering designs, feasibility studies and project management;
3 and

4 (5) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
5 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
6 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

7 *SEC. 35. The City Health Officer.* – (a) The city health officer must be
8 a citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral
9 character and a licensed medical practitioner. One must have acquired
10 experience in the practice of profession for at least five (5) years immediately
11 preceding the date of the appointment.

12 (b) The city health officer shall receive such compensation, emoluments
13 and allowances as may be determined by law.

14 (c) The city health officer shall take charge of the office of the city
15 health services, and shall:

16 (1) Supervise the personnel and staff of the said office, formulate
17 program implementation guidelines and rules and regulations for the operation
18 of the office for the approval of the city mayor in order to assist in the efficient,
19 effective and economical implementation of health service program geared to
20 implement health-related projects and activities;

21 (2) Formulate measures for the consideration of the sangguniang
22 panlungsod and provide technical assistance and support to the city mayor in
23 carrying out activities to ensure the delivery of basic services and the provision
24 of adequate facilities relative to health services as provided for under Section
25 17 of the Local Government Code of 1991;

26 (3) Develop plans and strategies and, upon approval thereof by the city
27 mayor, implement the same, particularly those which have to do with health
28 programs and projects which the city mayor is empowered to implement and

1 which the sangguniang panlungsod is empowered to provide for under the
2 Local Government Code of 1991;

3 (4) In addition to the foregoing duties and functions, the city health
4 officer shall:

5 (i) Formulate and implement policies, plans and projects to promote the
6 health of the people in the City;

7 (ii) Advise the city mayor and the sangguniang panlungsod on matters
8 pertaining to health;

9 (iii) Execute and enforce all laws, ordinances and regulations relating to
10 public health;

11 (iv) Recommend to the sangguniang panlungsod through the local health
12 board, the passage of such ordinance as he may deem necessary for the
13 preservation of public health;

14 (v) Recommend the prosecution of any violation of sanitary laws,
15 ordinances or regulations;

16 (vi) Direct the sanitary inspection of all business establishments, stores
17 selling food items or providing accommodations such as hotels, motels, local
18 houses, pension houses and the like, in accordance with the Sanitation Code of
19 the Philippines;

20 (vii) Conduct health information campaigns and render health
21 intelligence services;

22 (viii) Coordinate with other government agencies and nongovernment
23 organizations involved in the promotion and delivery of health services; and

24 (ix) Be in the frontline of the delivery of health services, particularly
25 during and in the aftermath of man-made and natural disasters or calamities.

26 (5) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
27 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
28 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

1 SEC. 36. *The City Civil Registrar.* -- (a) The city civil registrar must
2 be a citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral
3 character, a holder of a college degree from a recognized college or university,
4 and a first grade civil service eligible or its equivalent. One must have
5 acquired experience in civil registry work for at least five (5) years
6 immediately preceding the date of the appointment.

7 (b) The city civil registrar shall receive such compensation, emoluments
8 and allowances as may be determined by law.

9 (c) The city civil registrar shall be responsible for the civil registration
10 program in Mabalacat City, pursuant to the Civil Registry Law, the Omnibus
11 Election Code and other pertinent laws, rules and regulations issued to
12 implement them.

13 (d) The city civil registrar shall take charge of the office of the city civil
14 registry, and shall:

15 (1) Develop plans and strategies and, upon approval thereof by the city
16 mayor, implement the same, particularly those which have to do with the
17 management and administration-related programs and projects which the city
18 mayor is empowered to implement and which the sangguniang panlungsod is
19 empowered to provide for under the Local Government Code of 1991;

20 (2) In addition to the foregoing duties and functions, the city civil
21 registrar shall:

22 (i) Accept all registrable documents and judicial decrees affecting the
23 civil status of persons;

24 (ii) File, keep and preserve in a secure place the books required by law;

25 (iii) Transcribe and enter immediately upon receipt all registrable
26 documents and judicial decrees affecting the civil status of persons in the
27 appropriate civil registry books;

1 (iv) Transmit to the Office of the Civil Registrar, within the prescribed
2 period, duplicate copies of registered documents required by law;

3 (v) Issue certified transcripts or copies of any certificate or registered
4 documents upon payment of the required fees to the city treasurer;

5 (vi) Receive application for the issuance of a marriage license and,
6 after determining that the requirements and supporting certificates and
7 publication thereof for the prescribed period have been complied with, issue
8 the license upon payment of the authorized fee to the city treasurer; and

9 (vii) Coordinate with the National Statistics Office (NSO) in
10 conducting educational campaigns for vital registration and assist in the
11 preparation of demographic and other statistics for Mabalacat City.

12 (3) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
13 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
14 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

15 SEC. 37. *The City Administrator.* – (a) The city administrator must be
16 a citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral
17 character, a holder of a college degree preferably in public administration or in
18 any other related course from a recognized college or university, and a first
19 grade civil service eligible or its equivalent. One must have acquired
20 experience in management and administrative work for at least five (5) years
21 immediately preceding the date of the appointment.

22 (b) The term of the city administrator is coterminous with that of his
23 appointing authority.

24 (c) The city administrator shall receive such compensation, emoluments
25 and allowances as may be determined by law.

26 (d) The city administrator shall take charge of the city administrator's
27 office, and shall:

1 (1) Develop plans and strategies and, upon approval thereof by the city
2 mayor, implement the same, particularly those which have to do with the
3 management and administration-related programs and projects which the city
4 mayor is empowered to implement and which the sangguniang panlungsod is
5 empowered to provide for under the Local Government Code of 1991;

6 (2) Be in the frontline of the delivery of administrative support services,
7 particularly those related to the situations during and in the aftermath of
8 man-made and natural disasters or calamities;

9 (3) Recommend to the sangguniang panlungsod and advise the city
10 mayor on all matters relative to the management and administration of the City;
11 and

12 (4) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
13 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
14 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

15 SEC. 38. *The City Legal Officer.* – (a) The city legal officer must be a
16 citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral
17 character and a member of the Philippine Bar. One must have practiced the
18 profession for at least five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the
19 appointment.

20 (b) The city legal officer shall receive such compensation, emoluments
21 and allowances as may be determined by law.

22 (c) The city legal officer, the chief legal counsel of the City, shall take
23 charge of the office of the city legal service, and shall:

24 (1) Formulate measures for the consideration of the sangguniang
25 panlungsod and provide legal assistance and support to the city mayor in
26 carrying out the delivery of basic services and the provision of adequate
27 facilities;

1 (2) Develop plans and strategies and, upon approval thereof by the city
2 mayor, implement the same, particularly those which have to do with the
3 programs and projects related to legal services which the city mayor is
4 empowered to implement and which the sangguniang panlungsod is
5 empowered to provide;

6 (3) Recommend measures to the sangguniang panlungsod and advise
7 the city mayor on all matters related to upholding the rule of law; .

8 (4) Be in the frontline of protecting human rights and prosecuting any
9 violation thereof, particularly those which occur during and in the aftermath of
10 man-made and natural disasters or calamities; and

11 (5) *Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other*
12 *powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those*
13 *that are prescribed by law or ordinance.*

14 SEC. 39. *The City Social Welfare and Development Officer.* – (a) The
15 city social welfare and development officer must be a citizen of the
16 Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral character, a licensed
17 social worker or a holder of a college degree preferably in social work or in
18 any other related course from a recognized college or university, and a first
19 grade civil service eligible or its equivalent. One must have acquired
20 experience in the practice of social work for at least five (5) years immediately
21 preceding the date of the appointment.

22 (b) The city social welfare and development officer shall receive such
23 compensation, emoluments and allowances as may be determined by law.

24 (c) The city social welfare and development officer shall take charge of
25 the office of the social welfare and development, and shall:

26 (1) Formulate measures for the approval of the sangguniang panlungsod
27 and provide technical assistance and support to the city mayor in carrying out

1 measures to ensure the delivery of basic services and the provision of adequate
2 facilities relative to social welfare and development services;

3 (2) Develop plans and strategies and, upon approval thereof by the city
4 mayor, implement the same, particularly those which have to do with social
5 welfare programs and projects which the city mayor is empowered to
6 implement and which the sangguniang panlungsod is empowered to provide;

7 (3) Be in the frontline of the delivery of services particularly those
8 which have to do with the immediate relief and assistance during and in the
9 aftermath of man-made and natural disasters or calamities;

10 (4) Recommend to the sangguniang panlungsod and advise the city
11 mayor on all other matters related to social welfare and development services
12 which will improve the livelihood and the living conditions of the inhabitants;
13 and

14 (5) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
15 powers as provided for under the *Local Government Code of 1991*, and those
16 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

17 SEC. 40. *The City Veterinarian.* – (a) The city veterinarian must be a
18 citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral
19 character and a licensed doctor of veterinary medicine. One must have
20 practiced the profession for at least three (3) years immediately preceding the
21 date of the appointment.

22 (b) The city veterinarian shall receive such compensation, emoluments
23 and allowances as may be determined by law.

24 (c) The city veterinarian shall take charge of the office of the veterinary
25 services, and shall:

26 (1) Formulate measures for the consideration of the sangguniang
27 panlungsod and provide technical assistance and support to the city mayor in

1 carrying out measures to ensure the delivery of basic services and the provision
2 of adequate facilities;

3 (2) Develop plans and strategies and, upon approval thereof by the city
4 mayor, implement the same, particularly those which have to do with
5 veterinary-related activities which the city mayor is empowered to implement
6 and which the *sangguniang panlungsod* is empowered to provide;

7 (3) Be in the frontline of the veterinary-related activities, such as the
8 outbreak of highly-contagious and deadly diseases, and in situations resulting
9 in the depletion of animals for work and for human consumption, particularly
10 those arising from and in the aftermath of man-made and natural disasters or
11 calamities;

12 (4) Recommend to the *sangguniang panlungsod* and advise the city
13 mayor on all other matters relative to the veterinary services which will
14 increase the number and improve the quality of livestock, poultry and other
15 domestic animals used for work or for human consumption; and

16 (5) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
17 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
18 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

19 SEC. 41. *The City General Services Officer.* – (a) The city general
20 services officer must be a citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat
21 City, of good moral character, a holder of a college degree in public
22 administration, business administration or management from a recognized
23 college or university, and a first grade civil service eligible or its equivalent.
24 One must have acquired experience in general services, including the
25 management of supply, property, solid waste disposal and general sanitation
26 for at least three (3) years immediately preceding the date of the appointment.

27 (b) The city general services officer shall receive such compensation,
28 emoluments and allowances as may be determined by law.

1 (c) The city general services officer shall take charge of the office of
2 the general services, and shall:

3 (1) Formulate measures for the consideration of the sangguniang
4 panlungsod and provide technical assistance and support to the city mayor in
5 carrying out measures to ensure the delivery of basic services and the provision
6 of adequate facilities which require general services expertise in technical
7 support services;

8 (2) Develop plans and strategies and, upon approval thereof by the city
9 mayor, implement the same, particularly those which have to do with general
10 services supportive of the welfare of the inhabitants of the City which the city
11 mayor is empowered to implement and which the sangguniang panlungsod is
12 empowered to provide;

13 (3) Take custody of and be accountable for all properties, real or
14 personal, owned by the City and those granted to it in the form of donation,
15 reparation, assistance and counterpart of joint projects;

16 (4) Be in the frontline of general services-related activities, such as the
17 possible and imminent destruction or damage to records, supplies, properties
18 and structure materials or debris, particularly during and in the aftermath of
19 man-made and natural disasters or calamities;

20 (5) Recommend to the sangguniang panlungsod and advise the city
21 mayor on all matters relative to general services; and

22 (6) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
23 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
24 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

1 SEC. 42. *The City Environment and Natural Resources Officer.* – (a)

2 The city environment and natural resources officer must be a citizen of the
3 Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral character, a holder of
4 a college degree preferably in environment, forestry, agriculture or in any other
5 related course from a recognized college or university, and a first grade civil
6 service eligible or its equivalent. One must have acquired experience in
7 environment and natural resources management, conservation and utilization
8 work for at least five (5) years immediately preceding the date of the
9 appointment.

10 (b) The city environment and natural resources officer shall receive such
11 compensation, emoluments and allowances as may be determined by law.

12 (c) The city environment and natural resources officer shall take charge
13 of the city environment service department, and shall:

14 (1) Formulate measures for the consideration of the sangguniang
15 panlungsod and provide assistance and support to the city mayor in carrying
16 out measures to ensure the delivery of basic services and the provision of
17 adequate facilities relative to environment and natural resources services as
18 provided for under Section 17 of the Local Government Code of 1991;

19 (2) Develop plans and strategies and, upon approval thereof by the city
20 mayor, implement the same, particularly those which have to do with the
21 environment and natural resources programs and projects which the city
22 mayor is empowered to implement and which the sangguniang panlungsod is
23 empowered to provide;

24 (3) Be in the frontline of the delivery of services concerning the
25 environment and natural resources, particularly in the renewal and
26 rehabilitation of the environment during and in the aftermath of man-made and
27 natural disasters or calamities;

1 (4) Recommend measures to the sangguniang panlungsod and advise the
2 city mayor on all matters relative to the protection, conservation, maximum
3 utilization, application of appropriate technology and other matters related to
4 the environment and natural resources; and

5 (5) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
6 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
7 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

8 SEC. 43. *The City Information Officer.* – (a) The city information
9 officer must be a citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of
10 good moral character, a holder of a college degree preferably in journalism,
11 mass communication or in any related course from a recognized college or
12 university, and a first grade civil service eligible or its equivalent. One must
13 have experience in writing articles and research papers, or writing for print,
14 television or broadcast media for at least five (5) years immediately preceding
15 the date of the appointment.

16 (b) The city information officer shall receive such compensation,
17 emoluments and allowances as may be determined by law.

18 (c) The city information officer shall take charge of the city information
19 and community relations department, and shall:

20 (1) Formulate measures for the consideration of the sangguniang
21 panlungsod and provide technical assistance and support to the city mayor in
22 providing the information and research data required for the delivery of basic
23 services and the provision of adequate facilities so that the public becomes
24 aware of said services and may fully avail of the same;

25 (2) Develop plans and strategies and, upon approval thereof by the city
26 mayor, implement the same, particularly those which have to do with public
27 information and research data to support programs and projects which the city

1 mayor is empowered to implement and which the sangguniang panlungsod is
2 empowered to provide;

3 (3) Be in the frontline in providing information during and in the
4 aftermath of man-made and natural disasters or calamities, with special
5 attention to the victims thereof, to help minimize injuries and casualties after
6 the emergency, and to accelerate relief and rehabilitation;

7 (4) Recommend to the sangguniang panlungsod and advise the city
8 mayor on all other matters relative to public information and research data as it
9 relates to the total socioeconomic development of the City; and

10 (5) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
11 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
12 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

13 SEC. 44. *The City Cooperatives Officer.* – (a) The city cooperatives
14 officer must be a citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of
15 good moral character, a holder of a college degree preferably in business
16 administration with special training on cooperatives or in any related course
17 from a recognized college or university, and a first grade civil service eligible
18 or its equivalent. One must have acquired experience in cooperatives
19 organization and management for at least five (5) years immediately preceding
20 the date of the appointment.

21 (b) The city cooperatives officer shall receive such compensation,
22 emoluments and allowances as may be determined by law.

23 (c) The city cooperatives officer shall take charge of the office for the
24 development of cooperatives, and shall:

25 (1) Formulate measures for the consideration of the sangguniang
26 panlungsod and provide technical assistance and support to the city mayor in
27 carrying out measures to ensure the delivery of basic services and the provision

1 of facilities through the development of cooperatives and in providing access
2 to such services and facilities;

3 (2) Develop plans and strategies and, upon approval thereof by the city
4 mayor, implement the same, particularly those which have to do with the
5 integration of cooperatives principles and methods in programs which the city
6 mayor is empowered to implement and which the sangguniang panlungsod is
7 empowered to provide;

8 (3) Be in the frontline of cooperatives organization, rehabilitation or
9 viability enhancement, particularly during and in the aftermath of man-made
10 and natural disasters or calamities, to aid in their survival and, if necessary,
11 subsequent rehabilitation;

12 (4) Recommend to the sangguniang panlungsod and advise the city
13 mayor on all other matters relative to cooperatives development and viability
14 enhancement which will improve the livelihood and the quality of life of the
15 inhabitants; and

16 (5) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
17 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
18 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

19 SEC. 45. *The City Agriculturist.* – (a) The city agriculturist must be a
20 citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good moral
21 character, a holder of a college degree preferably in agriculture or in any other
22 related course from a recognized college or university, and a first grade civil
23 service eligible or its equivalent. One must have practiced the profession in
24 agriculture or acquired the experience in a related field for at least five (5)
25 years immediately preceding the date of the appointment.

26 (b) The city agriculturist shall receive such compensation, emoluments
27 and allowances as may be determined by law.

1 (c) The city agriculturist shall take charge of the office of the
2 agricultural services, and shall:

3 (1) Formulate measures for the approval of the sangguniang panlungsod
4 and provide technical assistance and support to the city mayor in carrying out
5 measures to ensure the delivery of basic services and the provision of adequate
6 facilities relative to agricultural services;

7 (2) Develop plans and strategies and, upon approval thereof by the city
8 mayor, implement the same, particularly those which have to do with the
9 agricultural programs and projects which the city mayor is empowered to
10 implement and which the sangguniang panlungsod is empowered to provide;

11 (3) In addition to the foregoing duties and functions, the city
12 agriculturist, shall:

13 (i) Ensure that maximum assistance and access to resources in the
14 production, processing and marketing of agricultural and aquacultural and
15 marine products are extended to *farmers, fishermen and local entrepreneurs*;

16 (ii) Conduct or cause to be conducted location-specific agricultural
17 researches and assist in making available the appropriate technology arising
18 out of and *disseminating information on basic research on crops, prevention*
19 *and control of plant diseases and pests, and other agricultural matters which*
20 *will maximize productivity*;

21 (iii) Assist the city mayor in the establishment and extension services of
22 demonstration farms on aquaculture and marine products;

23 (iv) Enforce rules and regulations relating to agriculture and
24 aquaculture;

25 (v) Coordinate with government agencies and nongovernmental
26 organizations, which promote agricultural productivity through applied
27 technology compatible with environmental integrity;

1 (4) Be in the frontline of the delivery of basic agricultural services,
2 particularly those needed for the survival of the inhabitants during and in the
3 aftermath of man-made and natural disasters or calamities;

4 (5) Recommend to the sangguniang panlungsod and advise the city
5 mayor on all other matters related to agriculture and aquaculture which will
6 improve the livelihood and the living conditions of the inhabitants; and

7 (6) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
8 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
9 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

10 SEC. 46. *The City Building Official.* – (a) The city building official
11 must be a citizen of the Philippines, a resident of Mabalacat City, of good
12 moral character and a licensed engineer or a licensed architect. One must have
13 acquired experience in the practice of the profession for at least five (5) years.

14 (b) The city building official shall receive such compensation,
15 emoluments and allowances as may be determined by law.

16 (c) The city building official shall take charge of the office of the city
17 building official, and shall:

18 (i) Process and take appropriate action on applications for building
19 permits;

20 (ii) Oversee and ensure the proper implementation of the National
21 Building Code and city ordinances pertaining to buildings and similar
22 structures;

23 (iii) Recommend to the sangguniang panlungsod and advise the city
24 mayor on matters involving buildings and similar structures; and

25 (iv) Perform such other duties and functions and exercise such other
26 powers as provided for under the Local Government Code of 1991, and those
27 that are prescribed by law or ordinance.

ARTICLE VIII

THE CITY FIRE STATION SERVICE, THE CITY JAIL SERVICE,
THE CITY SCHOOLS DIVISION AND THE CITY PROSECUTION SERVICE

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4 SEC. 47. *The City Fire Station Service.* – (a) There shall be established
5 in the City at least one (1) fire station with adequate personnel, firefighting
6 facilities and equipment, subject to the standards, rules and regulations that
7 may be promulgated by the Department of the Interior and Local Government
8 (DILG). The City shall provide the necessary land or site of the station.

9 (b) The city fire station shall be headed by a city fire marshal whose
10 qualifications shall be as those provided for under Republic Act No. 9263, as
11 amended, otherwise known as the “Bureau of Fire Protection and Bureau of
12 Jail Management and Penology Professionalization Act of 2004”.

13 (c) The city fire station shall be responsible for providing emergency
14 services such as the rescue and evacuation of injured people related to
15 incidents and, in general, all fire prevention and suppression measures to
16 secure the safety of life and property of the citizenry.

17 SEC. 48. *The City Jail Service.* – (a) There shall be established and
18 maintained in the City a secured, clean, adequately equipped and sanitary jail
19 for the custody and safekeeping of prisoners, any fugitive from justice, or
20 person detained awaiting investigation or trial and/or violent mentally ill
21 person who endangers oneself or the safety of others, duly certified as such by
22 the proper medical health officer, pending the transfer to a mental institution.

23 (b) The city jail service shall be headed by a city jail warden whose
24 qualifications shall be as those provided for under Republic Act No. 9263, as
25 amended, otherwise known as the “Bureau of Fire Protection and Bureau of
26 Jail Management and Penology Professionalization Act of 2004”. One shall
27 assist in the immediate rehabilitation of individuals or detention of prisoners.
28 Great care must be exercised so that human rights of these prisoners are

1 respected and protected, and their spiritual and physical well-being are
2 properly and promptly attended to.

3 SEC. 49. *The City Schools Division.* – (a) There shall be established
4 and maintained by the Department of Education (DepED), a city schools
5 division of Mabalacat City whose area of jurisdiction will cover all the school
6 districts within the City.

7 (b) The city schools division shall be headed by a city schools division
8 superintendent who must possess the necessary qualifications required by the
9 DepED.

10 SEC. 50. *The City Prosecution Service.* – (a) There shall be established
11 in the City, a city prosecution service to be headed by a city prosecutor and
12 such number of assistant city prosecutors, as may be necessary, who shall be
13 organizationally part of the Department of Justice (DOJ), and under the
14 supervision and control of the Secretary of Justice and whose qualifications,
15 manner of appointment, rank, salary and benefits shall be governed by existing
16 laws covering prosecutors in the DOJ.

17 (b) The city prosecutor shall handle the criminal prosecution in the
18 municipal trial courts in the City as well as in the regional trial courts for
19 criminal cases originating in the territory of the City, and shall render to or for
20 the City such services as are required by law, ordinance or regulation of the
21 DOJ.

22 The Secretary of Justice shall always ensure the adequacy and the
23 quality of prosecution service in the City and, for this purpose, shall, in the
24 absence or lack or insufficiency in number of assistant city prosecutors as
25 provided hereinabove, designate from among the assistant provincial
26 prosecutors a sufficient number to perform and discharge the functions of the
27 city prosecution service as provided hereinabove.

ARTICLE IX

TRANSITORY AND FINAL PROVISIONS

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3 SEC. 51. *Municipal Ordinances Existing at the Time of the Approval*
4 *of this Act.* – All municipal ordinances of the Municipality of Mabalacat
5 existing at the time of the approval of this Act shall continue to be in force
6 within Mabalacat City until the sangguniang panlungsod shall declare
7 otherwise.

8 SEC. 52. *Plebiscite.* – The Mabalacat City shall acquire corporate
9 existence upon the ratification of its creation by a majority of the votes cast by
10 the qualified voters in a plebiscite to be conducted in the present Municipality
11 *of Mabalacat within thirty (30) days from the approval of this Act.*

12 The Commission on Elections shall conduct and supervise such
13 plebiscite.

14 The expenses for such plebiscite shall be borne by the Municipality of
15 Mabalacat.

16 SEC. 53. *Officials of Mabalacat City.* – The present elective officials
17 of the Municipality of Mabalacat shall continue to exercise their powers and
18 functions until such time that a new election is held and the duly-elected
19 officials shall have already qualified and assumed their offices. Appointive
20 officials and employees of the municipality shall likewise continue exercising
21 their duties and functions and they shall be automatically absorbed by the city
22 government of Mabalacat City.

23 SEC. 54. *Succession Clause.* – The Mabalacat City shall succeed to all
24 the assets, properties, liabilities and obligations of the Municipality of
25 Mabalacat.

26 SEC. 55. *Election of Provincial Governor and Sangguniang*
27 *Panlalawigan Members of the Province of Pampanga.* – The qualified voters
28 of Mabalacat City shall be qualified to vote and run for any elective position in

1 the elections for provincial governor, provincial vice governor, sangguniang
2 panlalawigan members and other elective positions for the Province of
3 Pampanga.

4 SEC. 56. *Jurisdiction of the Province of Pampanga.* – The Mabalacat
5 City shall, unless otherwise provided by law, continue to be under the
6 jurisdiction of the Province of Pampanga.

7 SEC. 57. *Suspension of Increase in Rates of Local Taxes.* – No
8 increase in the rates of local taxes shall be imposed by the City within the
9 period of five (5) years from its acquisition of corporate existence.

10 SEC. 58. *Representative District.* – Unless otherwise provided by law,
11 Mabalacat City shall continue to be a part of the First Legislative District of
12 the Province of Pampanga.

13 SEC. 59. *Applicability of Laws.* – The provisions of the Local
14 Government Code of 1991, and other laws pertaining to the Province of
15 Pampanga and such other laws as are applicable shall govern Mabalacat City
16 insofar as these are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act.

17 SEC. 60. *Separability Clause.* – If, for any reason or reasons, any part
18 or provision of this Charter shall be held unconstitutional, invalid or
19 inconsistent with the Local Government Code of 1991, other parts or
20 provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full
21 force and effect.

22 SEC. 61. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after
23 its complete publication in any newspaper of general and local circulation.

Approved,