EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8 S. 2018

ESTABLISHING THE RULES ON THE INSTALLATION OF UTILITY CABLES AND ELECTRICAL WIRES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BALIWAG

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Local Government Code provides that Local Government Units shall ensure the promotion of the general welfare, health and safety of citizens under their jurisdiction, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Baliwag is obligated to ensure that its citizens live in a safe and sustainable environment that is free from recognized hazards by setting and enforcing standards in the height of utility cable and electrical wires;

WHEREAS, upon the deliberation conducted by the Municipality with the Utility Companies in Baliwag, a set of standards was set to establish the rules on the installation of cable and wires within the jurisdiction of Baliwag.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND V. ESTRELLA, Municipal Mayor of the Local Government Unit of Baliwag, Bulacan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the:

SECTION 1. CREATION. There shall be an order governing the installation of utility cable and electrical wires in the Municipality of Baliwag.

SECTION 2. OBJECTIVES. The provision of guidelines for the measurements of the height and service drop of cable and electrical wirings aims to:

2.1 Establish the technical standards and requirements for compliance by utility companies;
2.2 Comply with the Executive Order No. 12 which promotes safety culture in the community, workplaces, institutions of learning, establishments, and organizations.

SECTION 3. GUIDELINES AND PROHIBITIONS. The guidelines and standards shall be applicable to all utility companies that will install the wires within Baliwag.

3.1 All utility companies shall follow the minimum height for service entrance that is 18ft;
3.2 The lowest point allowable for the service drop of wires is 18ft;
3.3 No permit shall be issued if service entrance is below the standards;
3.4 Other utility wires shall always be installed at least 2ft below the electricity company wires which is at 25ft, to observe safety clearance.

SECTION 4. SCOPE AND COVERAGE. This order shall govern all existing utility cables and wires that are currently installed and to be installed within the jurisdiction of Baliwag.

SECTION 5. DUTIES OF THE MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING OFFICE (MEO)

5.1 The MEO is in charge of the full supervision and implementation of this order including the approval of electrical plans and issuance of safety clearance or permits to compliant applicants;
5.2 The MEO is tasked to ensure that wires are designed, installed and operated in a manner that fully complies with this order.

SECTION 6. DUTIES OF THE UTILITY COMPANIES

6.1 The utility companies shall follow the set guidelines of this order and properly label or mark the installed wires for proper identification;
6.2 The utility companies shall regularly inspect and replace dilapidated wires to avoid hazardous circumstances;
6.3 The utility companies shall not install wires without safety clearance from the Municipal Engineering Office;
6.4 The utility companies shall properly bundle and label the wires and cables for easy identification.

SECTION 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, any part or provision not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE. All Executive Orders, rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the Municipality of Baliwag, this ___ day of ___ , 2018.

FERDINAND V. ESTRELLA
Municipal Mayor

By the Mayor:

ENRIQUE V. TAGLE
Municipal Administrator