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**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 13th REGULAR SESSION OF THE 12<sup>th</sup> SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD, DAGUPAN CITY, HELD AT THE SP SESSION HALL ON AUGUST 26, 2025.**

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Dean Bryan L. Kua	City Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer
Hon. Jose Netu M. Tamayo	Presiding Officer Pro Tempore, Member
Hon. Karlos Liberato E. Reyna IV	Deputy Presiding Officer Pro Tempore, Member
Hon. Michael B. Fernandez	Floor Leader, Member
Hon. Jeslito C. Seen	Assistant Floor Leader, Member
Hon. Christel Hilary U. Paras	City Councilor, Member
Hon. Jalice D. Cayabyab, M.D.	City Councilor, Member
Hon. Bradley Claude C. Benavides	Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan President, Ex-Officio Member

**ABSENT:**

Hon. Danielle Francine B. Canto	City Councilor, Member, (O.B.)
Hon. Luis M. Samson, Jr.	City Councilor, Member, (O.B.)
Hon. Marvin DV. Fabia	City Councilor, Member, (O.B.)
Hon. Maria Librada Fe M. Reyna	City Councilor, Member, (On Sick Leave)
Hon. Marcelino DS. Fernandez	Liga ng mga Barangay President, Ex-Officio Member, (O.B.)

**ORDINANCE NO. 2341-2025**

**AN ORDINANCE ENJOINING THE CONSTRUCTION OF MULTI-LEVEL PUBLIC-SCHOOL BUILDINGS IN FLOOD- AND HAZARD-PRONE AREAS OF DAGUPAN CITY, SETTING MINIMUM RISK-INFORMED DESIGN REQUIREMENTS, AND PROVIDING A TRANSITION PROGRAM FOR EXISTING SINGLE-STOREY FACILITIES.**

**Explanatory Note**

Dagupan City's topography and hydrology make it uniquely vulnerable to chronic and extreme flooding. The city sits on a coastal delta crisscrossed by the Pantal, Calmay, and other rivers, all of which are subject to tidal influences and storm surge impacts. The 2015 CDRRMO flood risk assessment revealed that at least 42 out of 70 public school sites are within flood-prone zones, many of which experience recurrent inundation of classrooms.

These recurring hazards have had severe consequences: loss of instructional time, destruction of teaching materials, increased repair costs, and safety risks for learners and staff. Elevating and stacking classrooms—via multi-level building designs—has proven to be a cost-effective and life-saving adaptation in similar LGUs.

This Ordinance translates national policy frameworks into local enforceable standards, ensuring that every new public-school building in hazard zones is designed to withstand and adapt to Dagupan's flood realities.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on joint motion of Councilors Karlos Liberato E. Reyna IV, Michael B. Fernandez, Jose Netu M. Tamayo, and Jeslito C. Seen, duly and jointly seconded by Councilors Christel Hilary U. Paras, Bradley Claude C. Benavides and Jalice D. Cayabyab, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Dagupan City in regular session assembled:

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Key Provisions

**Section 1. Policy Statement.** It is hereby declared the policy of Dagupan City to require multi-level public-school buildings in flood- and hazard-prone barangays to protect life, property, and the continuity of education.

**Section 2. Coverage.** Applies to all new construction and major rehabilitation of public-school academic buildings in identified hazard zones.

**Section 3. General Rule.** No single-storey classroom or academic building shall be permitted in flood-/hazard-prone school sites unless covered by an exception under this Ordinance.

**Section 4. Minimum Design Requirements.**

- Hazard assessment via GeoRiskPH/HazardHunterPH
- Finished floor elevation of at least 800 mm from the finished or proposed road elevation.
- Designation of upper floors for labs, ICT, and refuge
- Compliance with PD 1096, RA 9514, BP 344, and DepEd MPSS

**Section 5. Coordination and Transparency.** All proposed projects of the Department of Education (Dagupan Office) shall copy furnished the City Mayor's Office, City Engineering's Office, Sangguniang Panlungsod, and City Library for their information and guidance.

The City Librarian shall then make a compilation of all proposed projects for future reference.

**Section 6. Implementation.** The City Engineering Office, OBO, and CDRRMO shall coordinate with the Schools Division Office to ensure compliance.

**SECTION 7. REPEALING CLAUSE** - All other ordinances, resolutions, executive order, memorandum circulars and administrative orders or parts thereof which re inconsistent with any provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed or modify accordingly.

**SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** - If for any reason any portion of this Ordinance is declared to unconstitutional or invalid, all other provisions thereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be full force and effect.

**SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.** - This Ordinance shall take effect on November 30, 2025.

**ENACTED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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**BELEN T. FERNANDEZ**  
City Mayor

Date: 9/11/2025