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1st ENDORSEMENT
December 15, 2025

Respectfully endorsing to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan the herein MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE No. 2025-29, **“AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND SUSTAINABILITY OF LOCAL INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (ICT) INFRASTRUCTURE AND DIGITALIZATION PROGRAMS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PAVIA, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”**, for information and appropriate action.

Gynny G. Gumban
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Secretary to the SB

CC: **HON. LAURENCE ANTHONY G. GORRICETA**
Municipal Mayor

HON. ESEL G. GEROCHI AND
SANGGUNIANG BAYAN MEMBERS

DILG AND OTHER OFFICES CONCERNED

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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN HELD ON DECEMBER 9, 2025 AT 9:00 A M. IN THE SESSION HALL, MUNICIPAL BUILDING, PAVIA, ILOILO.

PRESENT

- 1. Hon. Edsel G. Gerochi - Municipal Vice-Mayor
- Presiding Officer
2. Hon. Leonardo L. Belasa - Municipal Councilor
3. Hon. Joshua Philippe B. Gumban - -do-
4. Hon. Jo Jan Paul J. Peñol - -do-
5. Hon. Ariel B. Gerada - -do-
6. Hon. Daniel S. Fajardo, II - -do-
7. Hon. Kervin Matthew G. Zaldarriaga - -do-
8. Hon. Joe Fritz C. Collado - -do-
9. Hon. Rhia B. Sotomil - -do-
10. Hon. Ludovico S. Alfaro - President, Liga ng mga Barangay
Ex- Officio Member
11. Hon. Gerard Peter G. Zaldarriaga - SK Municipal Federation President
Ex-Officio Member

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2025-29

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE FRAMEWORK FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND SUSTAINABILITY OF LOCAL INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (ICT) INFRASTRUCTURE AND DIGITALIZATION PROGRAMS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PAVIA, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Pavia, Iloilo is a fast-growing community with a rapid development as indicated in the rising of various commercial establishments, residential units, and industrial enterprise;

WHEREAS, accessibility to internet connectivity has become a basic necessity and essential for modern living, serving as a vital tool for business, employment, education and governance;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10929, otherwise known as the "Free Internet Access in Public Places Act," mandates the provision of free internet access in public areas to promote digital inclusion and bridge the digital gap;

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WHEREAS, the Local Government recognizes the necessity of an improved internet connectivity, its potential role in supporting learning capacity for students, work from home employees, e-commerce industries, small scale local businesses, and those working in remote places;

WHEREAS, the establishment of a Free Wi-Fi Program will promote digitalization in areas in education, economic development, effective communication, and empowering residents to access online government services and global information resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Pavia, Iloilo, in a regular session duly assembled, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known as the *“Local ICT Infrastructure and Digitalization Ordinance of Pavia”*.

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY

It is hereby declared the policy of the Municipality of Pavia, Iloilo to:

- a. Promote inclusive and sustainable digital transformation by strengthening ICT infrastructure and services;
- b. Enhance transparency, efficiency, and accessibility of local government services through digitalization;
- c. Foster technological innovation, digital literacy, and ICT-driven economic growth;
- d. Ensure reliable, fast, secure, and equitable access to ICT for all constituents, especially the underprivileged communities.
- e. Developed industries with the highest potential for job opportunities, foreign and local investments, global connectivity and competitiveness.

SECTION 3. OBJECTIVES

This Ordinance aims to:

1. Developed and maintain reliable ICT infrastructures, data centers, and digital platforms that provides and supports internet connectivity.
2. Institutionalize digitalization in government transactions, services, and processes including public information systems.
3. Promote e-governance, cybersecurity, and data privacy protection standards at the local level.
4. Support participation in public and private partnerships and community involvement in ICT development.

5. Build local capacity through digital literacy, skills training, and innovation programs.

SECTION 4. SCOPE AND COVERAGE

This Ordinance shall apply to all departments, offices, and units of the Local Government of Pavia, Iloilo; Barangays within its territorial jurisdiction; relevant stakeholders, including private sector partners engaged in the field of ICT infrastructure development and digitalization efforts.

SECTION 5. CREATION OF THE LOCAL ICT COUNCIL (LICTC)

There is hereby created a Local ICT Council (LICTC) under the Office of the Municipal Mayor.

Composition:

a.	MUNICIPAL MAYOR	Chairperson
b.	SANGGUNIANG BAYAN CHAIRPERSON ON ICT	Co-Chairperson
c.	SANGGUNIANG BAYAN CHAIRPERSON ON EDUCATION	Member
d.	SANGGUNIANG BAYAN CHAIRPERSON ON TRADE & INDUSTRY	Member
e.	MUNICIPAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICER	Member
f.	MUNICIPAL BUDGET OFFICER	Member
g.	MUNICIPAL ENGINEER OFFICER	Member
h.	MUNICIPAL INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY OFFICER	Member
i.	MUNICIPAL DRRM OFFICER	Member
j.	SCHOOLS DISTRICT SUPERVISOR OR HIS DULY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE	Member
k.	PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATIVE	Member

After the establishment of the ICT Council and election of officers, the ICT Council shall convene every quarter for its regular meetings. Special meetings will be held as often as may be necessary.

Functions:

- a. Formulate and recommend policies and programs on ICT infrastructure and digitalization;
- b. Prepare the Municipal ICT Development and Digitalization Plan (MIDDP);
- c. Coordinate with the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) and other agencies for technical support and funding;
- d. Monitor and evaluate ICT-related projects and ensure alignment with the municipal development plan;
- e. Promote ICT education, innovation, and digital inclusion initiatives.

4. Are deemed detrimental to public morals, safety, or order as determined by the LGU.

d. The LGU shall implement appropriate security protocols, user authentication systems, and data privacy safeguards in accordance with Republic Act No. 10173, otherwise known as the "Data Privacy Act of 2012."

SECTION 9. MAINTENANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY

- a. The Municipal ICT Office shall be responsible for the maintenance, system updates, and periodic performance checks.
- b. The LGU shall allocate funds under the Annual Investment Plan (AIP) and General Fund for the operation, maintenance, and expansion of the Free Wi-Fi Program and Digital Systems.
- b. Private partnerships, sponsorships, or donations may be accepted, provided they are consistent with government procurement regulations and transparency rules.

SECTION 10. COMMUNITY DIGITAL SUPPORT PROGRAMS

To maximize the benefits of the Free Wi-Fi program, the Municipal ICT Office shall coordinate with the Schools, PESO, and Business Permit and Licensing Office (BPLO) to:

- a. Conduct digital literacy sessions for users such as students, entrepreneurs, transient and ambulatory vendors, businessmen, household, and farm workers;
- b. Promote online learning platforms and e-commerce use;
- c. Encourage local online freelancers and workers to register and participate in ICT-related training courses.

SECTION 11. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

The Municipal ICT Office shall submit a semi-annual report to the Sangguniang Bayan Committee on ICT/Infrastructure, detailing the coverage, usage, and impact of the Free Wi-Fi project and Digital Systems, along with recommendations for improvement and expansion.

SECTION 12. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

If any part or provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts thereof shall remain valid and enforceable.

SECTION 13. REPEALING CLAUSE

All ordinance, rules and regulations, or part thereof, in conflict with, or inconsistent with any provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 14. EFFECTIVITY


This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its approval, and shall be posted in at least three (3) conspicuous public places within the Municipality of Pavia, Iloilo and upon its publication in a newspaper of local circulation.

BE IT ORDAINED FURTHER, to furnish copies of this Ordinance to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Iloilo for review, DILG and other concerned agencies for information and appropriate action.


ENACTED this 9th day of December, 2025, in the Municipality of Pavia, Province of Iloilo.

Approved.


**I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness
of the above-quoted ordinance:**


GYNNYN G. GUMBAN
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan
12/9/2025

ATTESTED BY:


HON. EDSSEL G. GEROCHI
Municipal Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer
12/9/2025

APPROVED:


HON. LAURENCE ANTHONY G. GORRICETA
Municipal Mayor
Date Signed 12/12/25