

Republic of the Philippines  
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD  
CITY OF SURIGAO

MINUTES OF THE 1<sup>ST</sup> SPECIAL SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE  
CITY OF SURIGAO HELD AT THE SP SESSION HALL ON APRIL 7, 2025.

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Alfonso S. Casurra	- City Vice Mayor (Presiding Officer)
Hon. Sebastian Ric A. Nagas	- City Councilor
Hon. Cacer R. Azarcon	- City Councilor
Hon. Joel E. Tinio	- City Councilor
Hon. Joenil B. Aldonza	- City Councilor
Hon. Joshua Emilio S. Geli	- City Councilor
Hon. Baltazar C. Abian	- City Councilor
Hon. Noel Christian G. Catre, Jr.	- City Councilor
Hon. Joseph Joey S. Yuipco	- City Councilor
Hon. Karl Duane A. Casurra	- City Councilor
Hon. Florenillo B. Ravelo	- Liga ng mga Barangay President
Hon. Jenelyn Edulzura	- SK Federation President

**ABSENT:**

Hon. Jose Expeditus B. Bayana	- City Councilor
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The session was called to order at 2:00 in the afternoon of April 7, 2025.

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**OPENING PRAYER**

**HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

Please rise.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Almighty God, the giver of life, we praise You and glorify You for your goodness.  
Thank You for this wonderful day, as we hold our special session this afternoon to discuss  
important matters.

We are humbly asking for Your guidance, enlighten our minds so that we can deliberate well.

This we ask in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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**SINGING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM**

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**ROLL CALL**

The roll call was conducted with all the members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod listed herein as present in attendance, and thereafter a **QUORUM** was declared.

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## 1. CALENDAR OF BUSINESS

### A. Business of the Day:

- Indorsement from the City Mayor, denominated as Urgent, letter of Atty. Jeffrey P. Galido, City Budget Officer, requesting for Supplemental Budget No.01, CY 2025 in the amount of Sixty-Five Million Pesos (P65,000,000.00).

### HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:

*Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman, and to the honorable body. Mr. Chairman, since this indorsement from the City Mayor denominated as urgent, may I request, Mr. Chairman for the suspension of the rules.*

### HON. ALFONSO S. CASURRA / PRESIDING OFFICER:

*Yes, before that we will just try to consider that this session today is being converted into a Committee as a Whole for purposes of discussion as urgent, the Supplemental Budget No.1, 65,000,000.00, in the amount of P65,000,000.00. The rules are suspended to allow City Budget Officer, Galido and his twin brother, the City Treasurer. You can now go ahead, Councilor Aldonza.*

Councilor Joenil B. Aldonza moved for the suspension of the rules to accommodate Atty. Jeffrey P. Galido, City Budget Officer, and Mr. Alcala, the City Treasurer, to give an explanation of what the request is all about. The **RULES ARE SUSPENDED**.

The City Budget Officer, Atty. Jeffrey P. Galido announced that the primary purpose of the supplemental budget is to adopt the second-class municipality, first tranche. This is in accordance with the DBM circular, which requires salary adjustments from third-class city to second-class city. And the payment of the city accountant's salary, which is partially accommodated due to limited surplus. The supplemental budget of 65,000,000.00 was allocated to three major classifications: salary adjustment for the city accountant's salary, salary adjustment to adopt a second-class city, and other unfulfilled projects of the city.

Differentials will be retroacted in January due to being classified as a second-class city.

Furthermore, the Hon. Cacer R. Azarcon asked for clarification regarding the purchase of one-unit amphibious excavator.

### HON. CACEL R. AZARCON:

*What about this purchase of one-unit amphibious excavator for the City General Service Office?*

### ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:

*That item is taken from the realigned unutilized 5% utilization, your Honor, which is one of the heavy equipment needed by the city in the previous AIP, which is not budgeted because of our limited annual income, your Honor.*

**HON. CACEL R. AZARCON:**

*And are you included here in the supplemental budget?*

**ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

*Yes.*

**HON. CACEL R. AZARCON:**

*From the 5% LDRRMF fund?*

**ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

*Yes, your Honor.*

**HON. CACEL R. AZARCON:**

*The amount of which is 17 million?*

**ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

*Yes, your Honor.*

**HON. CACEL R. AZARCON:**

*What is the timeline for us to purchase this equipment?*

**ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

*That would be done after the banning, your Honor.*

**HON. CACEL R. AZARCON:**

*Banning?*

**ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

*There is a banning because of the election period.*

**HON. CACEL R. AZARCON:**

*Ahh because of election ban, that is all, Mr. Chairman.*

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**RULES ARE REINSTATED.** And there being no more discussions,  
the motion was favorably seconded and approved, to wit:

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO.01**  
Series of 2025

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET NO. 01,  
SERIES OF 2025 CONTAINING AN AMOUNT OF SIXTY-FIVE MILLION PESOS  
(P65,000,000.00), TO BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR FURTHER APPROPRIATIONS  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

*(Copies of the ordinance will furnished upon its availability)*

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other matters to be discussed, the special session was adjourned at 2:16 o'clock in the afternoon of April 7, 2025.

*(As to what transpired in the discussion, the transcribed stenographic notes of the same are kept and filed in the SP Office for record purposes and reference.)*

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**CLOSING PRAYER**

**HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

Please rise.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Thank you, Lord for having guided us through this session,  
guide us as we find our way to our respective homes, may the matters taken up today be pursued  
for the welfare of our city. All these we pray. Amen.

In the name of Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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APPROVED, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing statements, resolutions and the like were passed and approved by us, members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Surigao, Province of Surigao del Norte.

**EDNA B. SIEGA**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

**SEBASTIAN RIC A. NAGAS**  
City Councilor

**CACEL R. AZARCON**  
City Councilor

**JOENIL B. ALDONZA**  
City Councilor

**JOEL E. TINIO**  
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221 **ALFONSO S. CASURRA**  
222 City Vice Mayor  
223 Presiding Officer