

Republic of the Philippines  
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD  
CITY OF SURIGAO

MINUTES OF THE 22<sup>nd</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE  
CITY OF SURIGAO HELD AT THE SP SESSION HALL ON JUNE 26, 2025.

PRESENT:

Hon. Joenil B. Aldonza	- City Councilor (Presiding Officer)
Hon. Cacel R. Azarcon	- 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 Barangay President
Hon. Jenelyn Edulzura	- SK Federation President

ABSENT:

Hon. Alfonso S. Casurra	- City Vice Mayor (Acting City Mayor)
Hon. Sebastian Ric A. Nagas	-City Councilor
Hon. Joel E. Tinio	-City Councilor
Hon. Jose Expeditus B. Bayana	-City Councilor

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The session was called to order at 2:00 o'clock in the morning of June 26, 2025.

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OPENING PRAYER

MS. EDNA B. SIEGA/SP SECRETARY:

Let us Pray.

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

Almighty and Ever living God.

We gather before you today in solemn purpose and humble gratitude.

Thank you for the gift of this new day. For the strength to serve and for the privilege to live.

Guide us oh Lord as we begin this Regular Session of the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

May our discussion be grounded in wisdom, truth and justice.

May every decisions reflect our sincere desire to promote the welfare of our beloved city and each people.

Today we also lift up in prayer our four outing members of this August body.

We thank you for their faithful service for the time, talent and heart, they have selfishly given in the name of public service.

Grant them continued purpose in their next chapters and bless them with peace, fulfillment and new opportunities to make a difference.

May your grace continue to guide this Council with unity, compassion and integrity.  
All these we ask in Your Holy Name. 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

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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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### PERUSAL AND APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Before the approval of the Minutes, Sanggunian Secretary, Ms. Edna B. Siega read the resolutions that were passed and approved in the previous regular session.

Thereafter, Honorable Joshua Emilio S. Geli was recognized and presented a motion for the approval of the Minutes of the previous regular session, duly seconded by Honorable Joseph Joey S. Yuipco, it was unanimously

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Regular Session held on June 19, 2025, re: Resolution Nos. 95-108 be as it is hereby approved.

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### MATTERS OF INFORMATION

None

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### INCLUSION, AMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Honorable Joshua Emilio S. Geli, jointly seconded by Honorable Joseph Joey S. Yuipco and Hon. Karl Duane A. Casurra, it was unanimously

**RESOLVED,** to approve, as it is hereby approved, the agenda of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Regular Session of the Sangguniang Panlungsod dated 26 June 2025 .

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**FIRST READING:**

None.

**REFERRAL TO COMMITTEES:***A. Committee on Appropriations -*

- Indorsement from the City Budget Officer, Submitting the Sangguniang Kabataan Annual Budget for CY 2025 of Barangays Lisondra, Sabang and San Roque, all of this city. (To: Committee on Appropriations)

*B. Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure and Committee on Education, Culture and Heritage –*

- Indorsement Forwarding, the herein Geotechnical Investigation Report of the Proposed 2-storey 6- classroom School Building for Barangay Nonoc, Surigao City, denominated as URGENT.

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Honorable Baltazar C. Abian was recognized.

**HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:****COMMITTEE REPORT****COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES****SUBJECT:**

A LETTER REQUESTING THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MAYOR HON. PABLO YVES L. Dumlao, II TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT OF SURIGAO CITY IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT MENTORSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TMMAP) – COMPONENT B.

**FACTS / FINDINGS:**

This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is entered into this by and between, and shall be referred as the Traffic Management Mentorship Assistance Program (TMMAP) Component B – Traffic Signalization or the Procurement of Traffic Signal Lanterns and Installation of System in the Intersection, herein referred to as the “Program”.

The Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) defines the roles and responsibilities of the LTO and LGUs in implementing the Traffic Management Mentorship Assistance Program (TMMAP) – Component B. The parties shall at all times take necessary action to cooperate with each other, perform their respective duties and responsibilities in order to achieve the over-all objective of the Program.

That the power supply for the traffic light system donated by the Land Transportation Office (LTO) was not included in the bidding document. For your reference, refer to Section 3.2 of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) regarding the energization requirements.

Enclosed is a draft of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between LTO and the Local Government Unit of Surigao City for your review and consideration.

All parties shall properly account and execute in good faith the terms of this MOA.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Committee on Transportation, Communication and Utilities move to pass a resolution authorizing the City Mayor Hon. Pablo Yves L. Dumlao, II to Enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Land Transportation Office (LTO) And Local Government Unit of Surigao City in the Implementation of the Traffic Management Mentorship Assistance Program (TMMAP) - Component B.

Mr. Chair, I move for the adoption of my Committee Report.

The motion to adopt the committee report was approved.

Before the approval of the resolution, the Hon. Baltazar C. Abian moved for the suspension of the rules to accommodate the resource person, Mr. Halan Besario, ENP/Zoning Officer IV, for better understanding of the said Memorandum of Agreement.

Mr. Halan Besario was recognized.

**MR. HALAN B. BESARIO, ENP/ZONING OFFICER IV:**

Good afternoon, august members of the City Council. Mr. Chair, this is regarding the Traffic Mentorship of Management Assistance Program of DOTR through the Land Transportation Office, implementing the traffic lights along Rizal, Capitol Road or Jose Sering and Kaimo Street. So we are, a beneficiary of this project. Since 2022 pa ini na project, the program covers 15 cities, we are lucky that we are granted 1 in Surigao City. This is about 6. 5 million traffic light, this includes a training for the operation of the traffic light and installation. But the implementing entity is from LTO winning contractor, so the project was started last January 2025. The excavation then registration completed last April and then we commission a dry run, a two- day dry run to observe the operation or the... para makita nato an operation nang traffic light. But we have not yet fully implemented the traffic light, because there are kuyang pa like road marking signages which is part of the, city's part of the MOA. So, the LTO is just waiting for the approval of this MOA, so that they can turn over the completed traffic light along the aforementioned area, Mr. Chair.

After the clarification of Mr. Besario, Hon. Baltazar C. Abian requested that before the operation of the traffic lights, a dry run should be undertaken prior actual implementation, and Mr. Halan Besario replied that a dry run has already been conducted last April.

There being no more further queries, Mr. Besario was excused then, Hon. Abian moved for the reinstatement of the rules. **RULES WERE REINSTATED.** Thereafter, a motion was presented and approved, to wit:

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR PABLO YVES L. DUMLAO II, TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT OF SURIGAO CITY FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT MENTORSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TMMAP) – COMPONENT B.**

**WHEREAS**, Sangguniang Panlungsod is in receipt of an indorsement from the Office of the City Mayor requesting the City Council to authorize the City Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Land Transportation Office for the implementation of the Traffic Management Mentorship Assistance Program (TMMAP) – Component B.

**WHEREAS**, the Land Transportation Office (LTO) has launched the Traffic Management Mentorship Assistance Program (TMMAP) – Component B, which entails the procurement and installation of traffic signal lanterns, as well as the implementation of a traffic signalization system at high-volume intersections and crossings, aimed at alleviating traffic congestion in fifteen (15) pre-identified sites across various local government units (LGUs), including Surigao City;

**WHEREAS**, the program seeks to define the specific roles and responsibilities of the LTO and the Local Government Unit of Surigao City in the implementation of the said project to ensure the safe, orderly, and efficient management of traffic within the city;

**WHEREAS**, the said Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) includes provisions on the cooperation, execution, and compliance of both parties to achieve the overall objectives of the program, particularly the improvement of local traffic systems;

**WHEREAS**, it is noted that the Local Government Unit of Surigao City shall provide the power supply and other operational requirements upon turnover of the traffic signalization and thereafter as provided in Section 3.2 of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA);

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Transportation, Communication and Utilities has reviewed the proposal and recommends the approval of the request, recognizing the significant benefit this program will provide in managing traffic conditions in the city;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Baltazar C. Abian, jointly seconded by Honorable Florenillo B. Ravelo and Honorable Joshua Emilio S. Geli, it was unanimously

**RESOLVED:** to pass a resolution authorizing the City Mayor Pablo Yves L. Dumlao, II to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Land Transportation Office (LTO) and the Local Government Unit of Surigao City for the implementation of the Traffic Management Mentorship Assistance Program (TMMAP) – Component B.

**RESOLVED FURTHER:** That copy of this resolution be furnished the City Mayor, Land Transportation Office (LTO), and all concerned for their information and guidance.

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The Hon. Noel Christian G. Catre, Jr. was recognized.

**HON. NOEL CHRISTIAN G. CATRE, JR.:**

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Good afternoon everyone. I have four (4) committee reports. The first of which is...

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**Committee On Rules**

**SUBJECT:**

Indorsement from the Office of the City Mayor forwarding Barangay Ordinance No. 01, Series of 2025, of Barangay Silop, "An Ordinance Adapting City Ordinance No. 310, Series of 2010, Entitled an Ordinance Standardizing Curfew Regulations for Minors within Surigao City and for Other Purposes."

**FACTS/FINDINGS:**

During the committee hearing held on June 24, 2025, attended by members of the Committee on Rules and the Barangay Council of Barangay Silop, it was revealed that no public hearing was conducted by the Barangay Council prior to the enactment of the proposed ordinance. Considering that the ordinance includes the imposition of penalties and/or fines for violations, the absence of a public hearing is a significant procedural oversight.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Committee on Rules hereby remands Barangay Ordinance No. 01, Series of 2025 to the Barangay Council of Silop for being procedurally infirm due to the absence of a public hearing. As the ordinance seeks to impose fines and penalties, the conduct of a public hearing is essential to ensure compliance with procedural requirements.

I move for the adoption of my committee report.

The motion to adopt the committee report was approved, and Barangay Ordinance No. 01, Series of 2025, of Barangay Silop will be remanded for the lack of public hearing.

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Hon. Noel Christian G. Catre, Jr., continued to report.

**HON. NOEL CHRISTIAN G. CATRE, JR.:**

Okay, thank you. My second...

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**[Committee On Rules]**

**SUBJECT:**

Indorsement from the Office of the City Mayor forwarding Barangay Ordinance No. 01, Series of 2025, of Barangay Day-asan, "An Ordinance Enacting Ecological Solid Waste Management of Barangay Day-asan, Surigao City, Surigao del Norte."

**FACTS/FINDINGS:**

During the committee hearing held on June 24, 2025, attended by members of the Committee on Rules and the Barangay Council of Barangay Day-asan, it was revealed that no public hearing was

conducted by the Barangay Council prior to the enactment of the proposed ordinance. Considering that the ordinance includes the imposition of penalties and/or fines for violations, the absence of a public hearing is a significant procedural oversight.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Committee on Rules hereby remands Barangay Ordinance No. 01, Series of 2025 to the Barangay Council of Day-asan for being procedurally infirm due to the absence of a public hearing. As the ordinance seeks to impose fines and penalties, the conduct of a public hearing is essential to ensure compliance with procedural requirements.

Mr. Chairman, I move for the adoption of my second committee report.

The motion to adopt the committee report was approved, and Barangay Ordinance No. 01, Series of 2025 of Barangay Day-asan will be remanded back to their barangay for the absence of the public hearing.

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Hon. Noel Christian G. Catre, Jr. continued to report.

**HON. NOEL CHRISTIAN G. CATRE, JR.:**

My third...

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**[Committee On Rules]**

**SUBJECT:**

Indorsement from the Office of the City Mayor forwarding Barangay Ordinance No. 02, Series of 2025, of Barangay Day-asan, "An Ordinance Imposing an Entrance and Environmental Users Fee to the Day-asan Floating Village and Mangrove Forest of Barangay Day-asan, City of Surigao, Surigao del Norte, Prescribing Penalties for Violations Thereof and for Other Purposes."

**FACTS/FINDINGS:**

During the committee hearing held on June 24, 2025, attended by members of the Committee on Rules and the Barangay Council of Barangay Day-asan, it was revealed that no public hearing was conducted by the Barangay Council prior to the enactment of the proposed ordinance. Considering that the ordinance includes the imposition of penalties and/or fines for violations, the absence of a public hearing is a significant procedural oversight.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Committee on Rules hereby remands Barangay Ordinance No. 02, Series of 2025 to the Barangay Council of Day-asan for being procedurally infirm due to the absence of a public hearing. As the ordinance seeks to impose fines and penalties, the conduct of a public hearing is essential to ensure compliance with procedural requirements.

Mr. Chairman, I move for the adoption of my third committee report.

The motion to adopt the committee report was approved, and Barangay Ordinance No. 02, Series of 2025 of Barangay Day-asan will be remanded to the barangay for lack of public hearing.

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Hon. Noel Christian G. Catre, Jr. continued.

**HON. NOEL CHRISTIAN G. CATRE, JR.:**

My last...

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**[Committee On Rules]**

**SUBJECT:**

*Indorsement from the City Mayor Requesting the City Council to Pass a Resolution Addressed to Senator Risa Hontiveros, Seeking Her Intervention and Support in Conducting a Senate Inquiry into the Violations and Lapses Committed by PrimeWater under its Joint Venture Agreement with the SMWD.*

**FACTS/FINDINGS:**

*A committee hearing was conducted on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, attended by members of the Committee on Rules, Engineer Jose M. Espina (Division Manager - SMWD) and Engineer John Joerte B. Febrero (Principal Engineer – SMWD) representing the Surigao Metropolitan Water District (SMWD), and a representative from PrimeWater, Ritche C. Tawudra. During the discussion, the SMWD representatives confirmed and concurred with the issues raised by the City Mayor regarding PrimeWater's alleged failures in fulfilling its obligations under the Joint Venture Agreement. Among the issues raised were the following:*

- Frequent and prolonged water interruptions in several barangays of the city;*
- Non-implementation of committed Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) projects;*
- Failure to provide sufficient water supply and to meet target service connections;*
- Non-compliance with water quality standards;*
- Lack of transparency in operations; and*
- Poor customer service and unresolved consumer complaints.*

*It is worth noting that the representative from PrimeWater declined to comment on the issues raised by the City Mayor.*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

*Following a thorough review of the issues raised and the confirmation provided by SMWD representatives, the Committee finds substantial grounds to conclude that PrimeWater has not adequately fulfilled its contractual obligations under its Joint Venture Agreement with SMWD. In light of these concerns, and in consideration of Senator Risa Hontiveros' prior statements urging a Senate investigation into the performance of PrimeWater concessionaires nationwide, the Committee on Rules strongly recommends the passage of a resolution:*

*Respectfully requesting the Honorable Senator Risa Hontiveros to intervene and conduct a Senate inquiry into the violations and lapses committed by PrimeWater under its Joint Venture Agreement with Surigao Metropolitan Water District.*

*Mr. Chairman, I move for the adoption of my committee report.*



The motion to adopt the committee report was approved. Thereafter, a motion was presented and approved, to wit:

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**RESOLUTION NO. 112 – 2025**

**A RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE HONORABLE SENATOR RISA HONTIVEROS TO INTERVENE AND CONDUCT A SENATE INQUIRY INTO THE VIOLATIONS AND LAPSES COMMITTED BY PRIMEWATER UNDER ITS JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT WITH THE SURIGAO METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT (SMWD).**

**WHEREAS**, the City Mayor has formally endorsed to the Sangguniang Panlungsod a request for legislative action regarding the alleged failures of PrimeWater Infrastructure Corporation under its Joint Venture Agreement (JVA) with the Surigao Metropolitan Water District (SMWD);

**WHEREAS**, a committee hearing was conducted on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, attended by members of the Committee on Rules, representatives from Surigao Metropolitan Water District namely Engineer Jose M. Espina (Division Manager) and Engineer John Joerte B. Febrero (Principal Engineer), and a representative from PrimeWater, Mr. Ritche C. Tawudra;

**WHEREAS**, the representatives from Surigao Metropolitan Water District confirmed and concurred with the issues raised by the City Mayor concerning PrimeWater's deficiencies in meeting its contractual obligations under the Joint Venture Agreement, which include, among others:

- Frequent and prolonged water interruptions affecting numerous barangays;
- Non-implementation of Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) projects as committed;
- Failure to ensure sufficient water supply and achieve target service connections;
- Non-compliance with established water quality standards;
- Lack of transparency in operations; and
- Poor customer service and unresolved consumer complaints;

**WHEREAS**, it was further noted that the PrimeWater representative present at the hearing declined to respond to the allegations raised;

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Rules, after due deliberation, found substantial grounds to conclude that PrimeWater has not sufficiently fulfilled its duties and obligations under the Joint Venture Agreement with Surigao Metropolitan Water District;

**WHEREAS**, in view of Senator Risa Hontiveros' earlier pronouncements urging a Senate investigation into the operations and performance of PrimeWater concessionaires nationwide, it is deemed appropriate to seek her support and intervention in addressing the issues faced by the constituents of Surigao City;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Noel Christian G. Catre, Jr., jointly seconded by Honorable Karl Duane A. Casurra and Honorable Joseph Joey S. Yuipco, it was unanimously

**RESOLVED:** to pass a resolution authorizing the Honorable City Mayor Pablo Yves L. Dumlao, to pass a resolution respectfully requesting the Honorable Senator Risa Hontiveros to intervene and conduct a senate inquiry into the violations and lapses committed by PrimeWater under its Joint Venture Agreement with the Surigao Metropolitan Water District (SMWD).

**RESOLVED FURTHER:** That copy of this resolution be furnished the City Mayor, PrimeWater, Surigao Metropolitan Water District, and all concerned for their information and guidance.

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The Hon. Karl Duane A. Casurra was recognized.

**HON. KARL DUANE A. CASURRA:**

*Good afternoon, Mr. Chair. Good afternoon to the members of the august body.*

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**Committee on Education, Culture, and Heritage**

**SUBJECT:**

*Report on the Request of the City Mayor for Authorization to Enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with Surigao del Norte State University (SNSU) for the Community Extension Project of the SNSU Graduate School - Doctor of Philosophy in Education major in Technology Management (PhEd-TM) for LGU Surigao Electrical Personnel/Electricians*

**FACTS/FINDINGS:**

*The Committee on Education, Culture and Arts conducted a committee hearing with the representatives of Surigao del Norte State University (SNSU) Graduate school regarding this request and the community extension project of the SNSU Graduate School – Doctor of Philosophy in Education major in Technology Management (PhED TM) Program and carefully reviewed the request and deliberated on the merits of the proposed Memorandum of Agreement. The Committee acknowledges the importance of continuously upgrading the skills and technical capabilities of the LGU's personnel, particularly in technical areas such as electrical maintenance and building automation.*

*The proposed training program on PLC-Based Electro-pneumatic Control for Building Automation is highly relevant to modern building operations and maintenance. Equipping the LGU's electrical personnel with hands-on experience in this area will lead to improved technical skills, efficiency, safety, and potential cost savings in the long run.*

*The Committee also recognizes the expertise and resources available at Surigao del Norte State University (SNSU), particularly within its Graduate School and the PhEd-TM program. SNSU's capacity to provide training, instructional materials, assessments, and a suitable venue, where they will conduct the training and assessments under their community extension project. The LGU's commitment to upgrading the technical skills of its manpower by providing qualified participants and covering the cost of snacks establishes its dedication to the professional development of its employees. The allocated budget of Php10,400.00 for snacks for the entire training period for a maximum of 20 participants appears reasonable.*

*The Committee believes that this collaboration between the LGU of Surigao City and Surigao del Norte State University will be mutually beneficial, contributing to the professional growth of the LGU's workforce and fulfilling SNSU's community extension mandate.*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Based on the foregoing findings and deliberations, the Committee on Education, Culture and Arts hereby recommends the passage of a resolution authorizing the City Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with SNSU for the "Hands-on Training on Programmable Logic Control (PLC)-Based Electro-pneumatic Control for Building Automation" conducted by the graduate school, Doctor of Philosophy in Education major in Technology Management (PhED TM) Program under its community extension project. The Committee on Education, Culture and Arts firmly believes that the proposed Memorandum of Agreement with Surigao del Norte State University will significantly enhance the technical skills of the LGU's electrical personnel, ultimately benefiting the City of Surigao.

Mr. Chair, I move for the adoption of my committee report, Mr. Chair.

The motion to adopt the committee report was approved. Thereafter, a motion was presented and approved, to wit:

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 113 – 2025**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR PABLO YVES L. DUMLAO, II TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH SURIGAO DEL NORTE STATE UNIVERSITY (SNSU) FOR THE "HANDS-ON TRAINING ON PROGRAMMABLE LOGIC CONTROL (PLC)- BASED ELECTRO-PNEUMATIC CONTROL FOR BUILDING AUTOMATION" CONDUCTED BY THE GRADUATE SCHOOL, DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN EDUCATION MAJOR IN TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT (PhED TM) PROGRAM UNDER ITS COMMUNITY EXTENSION PROJECT.**

**WHEREAS**, Sangguniang Panlungsod is in receipt of an indorsement from the Office of the City Mayor requesting the City Council to authorize the City Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Surigao del Norte State University (SNSU) with regard the conduct of a "Hands-on Training on PLC-Based Electro-pneumatic Control for Building Automation", a community extension initiative spearheaded by the Graduate School of Surigao del Norte State University (SNSU) under PhED-TM program.

**WHEREAS**, the proposed training titled "Hands-on Training on Programmable Logic Control (PLC)-Based Electro-pneumatic Control for Building Automation" is aimed at enhancing the technical competencies and efficiency of the LGU's electrical personnel;

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Education, Culture and Arts conducted a thorough review and deliberation on the proposal and acknowledges the significance of equipping LGU personnel with modern technical skills relevant to electrical maintenance and building automation;

**WHEREAS**, the Committee recognizes the capabilities of SNSU, through its Graduate School and PhEd-TM program, in providing expert training, materials, assessments, and venues for the said community extension activity;

**WHEREAS**, the LGU's provision of snacks for up to 20 participants during the training, amounting to Ten Thousand Four Hundred Pesos (Php 10,400.00), reflects its commitment to the continuous professional development of its workforce;

**WHEREAS**, this collaboration is seen to be mutually beneficial to both the LGU and SNSU and is aligned with the city's goals for workforce development and the university's community extension mandate;

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Education, Culture and Arts firmly believes that the proposed Memorandum of Agreement with Surigao del Norte State University will significantly enhance the technical skills of the LGU's electrical personnel, ultimately benefiting the City of Surigao;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Karl Duane A. Casurra, seconded by Honorable Florenillo B. Ravelo, it was unanimously

**RESOLVED:** to pass a resolution authorizing the Honorable City Mayor Pablo Yves L. Dumlao, II to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Surigao del Norte State University (SNSU) for the *"Hands-on Training on PLC-Based Electro-pneumatic Control for Building Automation"*, conducted by the graduate school, Doctor of Philosophy in Education Major in Technology Management (PhED TM) Program under its community extension project.

**RESOLVED FURTHER:** That copy of this resolution be furnished the City Mayor, Surigao del Norte State University, and all concerned for their information and guidance.

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#### **CALENDAR OF BUSINESS –**

##### **A. PENDING MATTERS:**

- **NONE**

##### **B. URGENT MATTERS:**

- **NONE**

##### **C. BUSINESS OF THE DAY:**

- The awarding of plaques and presentation of resolution expressing profound appreciation and commendation to the four outgoing members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Surigao City.

The plaques were awarded to the four outgoing members of the City Council, namely:

- Honorable Cacer R. Azarcon
- Honorable Joel E. Tinio
- Honorable Noel Christian G. Catre, Jr.
- Honorable Joseph Joey S. Yuipco

And given the Resolution expressing profound appreciation and commendation that was approved during the 21<sup>st</sup> regular session, to wit:

- Resolution No. 103 -2025 – Certificate of Appreciation and Commendation is awarded to Hon. Cacer R. Azarcon
- Resolution No. 104 -2025 – Certificate of Appreciation and Commendation is awarded to Hon. Joel E. Tinio

- Resolution No. 105 -2025 – Certificate of Appreciation and Commendation is awarded to Hon. Noel Christian G. Catre, Jr.
- Resolution No. 106 -2025 – Certificate of Appreciation and Commendation is awarded to Hon. Joseph Joey S. Yuipco

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### PRIVILEGE HOUR

The Hon. Joseph Joey S. Yuipco was recognized.

#### **HON. JOSEPH JOEY S. YUIPCO:**

*Marajaw na hapon sa tanan. Sa ako kaiban sa konseho. Labi na sa ato Vice Mayor at ang ato Presiding Officer. Sa tanan na ini. Sa dili pa ako magsugod ako na tapuson. Kay magpasalamat ako sa Ginoo. Sa ijo tanan. Labi na sa kaiban nako dire sa konseho na sa panahon na paghimo nan ordinansa ila gajud tagtabangan. Kay dili man ako kung abogado na maayong laki ako. Naningkamot lamang ko na makaserbisyo o kung unoy ang taghatag sa ako nan gahum na maghimo nan ordinansa pagsuporta sa ato Executive Department ako taghimo. Kay para makaserbisyo ko katawhan Surigaonon. Sa ako, isa rakan lamang tukdon nako kay tinood man ini. Sa panahon nan mga committee hearing jaon gajud si partner Joshua ako huh. So ako special mention jaon kay nahimo ang tanan kinta tungod sa ija tabang dako kay abtik man ning si Joshua. So sa tanan, sa ijo tanan dinhi, kay Maam Edna sab na permente nagpa remind sa ako na jaoy session, jaoy special session. Kung unoy mga pahibayo nan ija para sa kalihukan nan syudad. So sa ako mga kahigalaan, amigo kaparentihan. Sa ako mga staff na jaon gajud. Sa ako mga kaiban salamat kinasing kasing pasalamat.*

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The Hon. Noel Chiristian G. Catre, Jr, was recognized.

#### **HON. NOEL CHRISTIAN G. CATRE, JR.:**

*Marajaw na hapon sa ijo tanan.*

#### **HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA / ACTING PRESIDING OFFICER:**

*Maayong hapon.*

#### **HON. NOEL CHRISTIAN G. CATRE, JR.:**

*Today marks the end of one chapter and the beginning of another in my journey as a public servant as I step down from my role as City Councilor of Surigao City, a position I have proudly held since 2016, I do so with deep gratitude. And then even greater sense of responsibility as I now prepare to serve as a Board Member of our beloved province, Surigao Del Norte.*

*Nine years ago, you placed your trust in me to represent your voice in the Sangguniang Panlungsod. It was a trust I carried with humility and purpose. From crafting local ordinances to responding to the urgent needs of our communities especially in time of crisis like the pandemic and typhoon Odette. It has been a privilege to stand beside you in service. This journey was never mine alone. I share it with my fellow City Councilors, our hard working Vice Mayor, our dynamic City Mayor, City Employees, barangay leaders, Civic Organizations, and every Surigaonon who took the time to voice concerns, suggest solutions or simply show support. Together we passed ordinances that made our city safer, more inclusive, and more progressive. We empowered the women and children,*

*strengthen health and social services and give voice to our marginalized sectors. Every step we took was in service of the Surigaonons. Salamat karajaw sa ijo pagsalig, pakig iban, ug suporta sa intero 9 katuig. This is not a goodbye. But a continuation of my commitment to serve with wider responsibilities and deeper dedication. As I take on my new role as a Board Member of the Province of Surigao Del Norte, my commitment remains rooted in the same principle- Kung pabor sa katawhan Surigaonon ato suportaran.*

*To the new City Council, I offer my full support and confidence. I believe in your capability to continue what we started and to lead our city to even greater heights.*

*Sa mga Surigaonon, thank you for your trust throughout the years. You believe in me, and I will never forget that. Salamat gajud karajaw. Mabuhay ang Surigao City. Mabuhay ang Surigao Del Norte, ug mabuhay ang mga batang Surigaonon.*

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The Hon. Cacer R. Azarcon was recognized for his privilege speech.

**HON. CACER R. AZARCON:**

*Una sa tanan, maradjaw na hapon sa ato hurot. Good afternoon. Magpasalamat ako sa Sangguniang Panlungsod sa ijo taghatag na plaque of appreciation and commendation sa amo na mga outgoing na mga City Councilors. I am also extending my sincere congratulations to the Honorable Vice Mayor Alfonso S. Casura, my idol and my professor, and also to the Temporary Presiding Officer, Honorable Aldonza. Thank you very much for your warm appreciation to all of us. Ya may ako tagpreparar na speech pareha kagana sa speech na eninglish ni Honorable Atty. Noel Christian Catre, also my idol, ako rakan ini e-surigaonon para, mas gana sab kinta no? It has been a privilege and an honor for me to work as a City Councilor for the past six years and I thank you all for trusting me and my colleagues to be one of your lawmakers. I think the public service will not stop from here, but I will continue to be a part of public service in my private capacity.*

*And of course, I will be looking forward to working with you again in the future. Thank you very much. Good afternoon.*

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After the privilege speech of the outgoing members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, followed by a photo opportunity of the City Councilors present in attendance together with the City Vice Mayor.

The City Vice Mayor was given a chance for his thankful and farewell speech to the outgoing member of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, who gave their passion and commitment to public service in the best interest of the Surigaonons.

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The Hon. Alfonso S. Casurra, City Vice Mayor was recognized.

**HON. ALFONSO S. CASURRA/ ACTING CITY MAYOR:**

*Good afternoon to each and everyone. As your Presiding Officer and at the same time the Acting City Mayor, I really would like to extend a sincere appreciation of the, actually, four outgoing members of the Sanggunian Panlungsod, namely Councilor Noel Christian Catre, will now be serving as a Board Member of the Province of Surigao del Norte.*

Attorney Honorable Cacel R. Azarcon, who had served for two terms and had been instrumental in a lot of the ordinances that had been passed during the term 2022 to 2025, being the Chair of the Committee on Rules.

The Honorable Tinio, who is not here, but definitely his contribution of him being a member of this Council for one term from 2022 to 2025 has also given him the opportunity to serve the people of Surigao.

And last but not the least, my neighbor in Barangay Taft, who had also served for two terms, Councilor Joseph Joey Yuipco, who had served the Sangguniang Panlungsod from 2019-2022 and 2022-2025.

All these four are already part and parcel of the membership of this Council and we look forward and extend to them the greetings of not only gratitude, but also for us to be able to tell them that we are a family that had worked together for one term during this term 2022 to 2025. And extending to them whatever endeavor that they will pursue in their private capacity, that in the near future we can also be together in helping the Local Government Unit of Surigao, as well as our people who really would like to see that they can have members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod who have the heart, the mind, and soul to give their best to serve the people. So, God bless to the four of them and I really can see that they are pursuing something that they can think of, aside of course from Councilor Catre, who I understand is really preparing to be also a member of the Sangguniang Panglalawigan and we look forward that every time there is an ordinance that will be forwarded to the Sangguniang Panglalawigan, he will do her best or his best to make sure that proper coordination be made and in so doing, I have heard him that, *basta sa karadjawan ng mga Surigaonon himoon nija an tanan para matabangan.*

So, Kaninyong tanan, opat, this will be our last session together, this will be our last time that we can be considered as members of a family, the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

Again, Godspeed, God bless, and as always to God be the glory. Thank you and good afternoon.

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### ADJOURNMENT

There being no matters discussed, the 22<sup>nd</sup> Regular Session was adjourned at 3:24 o'clock in the afternoon of June 26, 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.)

### CLOSING PRAYER

**MS. EDNA B. SIEGA/SP SECRETARY:**

For the closing prayer, let us pray.

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

Heavenly Father, we close this session with grateful hearts.  
Thank you for the guiding,

789 our deliberations,  
 790 and for allowing us to carry out our duties in clarity, respect,  
 791 and commitment to the public good.  
 792 We especially thank you Lord for the lives and  
 793 contributions of our four outgoing members.  
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 795 Their years of dedication, sacrifice, and leadership  
 796 have left a mark of this council and our city.  
 797 May you reward their efforts and bless them with  
 798 renewed strength and joy as they continue their journey beyond this whole.  
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 800 Bless all of us present here today with the wisdom to continue  
 801 serving with humility, compassion, and unity.  
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 803 May we always be reminded that public service is not only our responsibility,  
 804 but a calling rooted in love for our community.  
 805 Keep us safe as we part ways and bring us back together renewed  
 806 and ready to serve once more.  
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 808 In your name we pray. Amen.

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 812 APPROVED, this 3rd day of July 2025.

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

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**NOEL CHRISTIAN G. CATRE, JR.**  
 City Councilor



**JOSEPH JOEY S. YUIPCO**  
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**KARL DUANE A. CASURRA**  
City Councilor

**FLORENILLO B. RAVELO**  
Liga ng mga Barangay President

**JENELYN EDULZURA**  
SK Federation President

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**ATTESTED BY:**

**JOENIL B. ALDONZA**  
City Councilor  
Presiding Officer