

Republic of the Philippines  
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD  
CITY OF SURIGAO

MINUTES OF THE 27<sup>th</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE  
CITY OF SURIGAO HELD AT THE SP SESSION HALL ON JULY 31, 2025.

PRESENT:

Hon. Arnold A. Go	- City Councilor- Presiding Officer
Hon. Joenil B. Aldonza	- City Councilor
Hon. Karl Duane A. Casurra	- City Councilor
Hon. Noel P. Catre	- City Councilor
Hon. Joshua Emilio S. Geli	- City Councilor
Hon. Perfecto B. Consigo	- City Councilor
Hon. Faith B. Elumba	- City Councilor
Hon. Baltazar C. Abian	- City Councilor
Hon. Sebastian Ric A. Nagas	- City Councilor
Hon. Jenelyn Edulzura	- SK Federation President

ABSENT:

Hon. Alfonso S. Casurra	- City Vice Mayor- Acting City Mayor
Hon. Jose Expeditus B. Bayana	- City Councilor- On Leave
Hon. Florenillo B. Ravelo	- Liga ng mga Barangay President- Official Travel

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The session was called to order at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon of July 31, 2025.

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OPENING PRAYER

HON. PERFECTO B. CONSIGO:

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

Almighty Father, thank You for the gift of life. As we start our session, we need  
Your presence and we ask You, oh Lord, to send us the power of Your Holy Spirit to  
guide our mind so that we can highly deliberate the agenda and guide us  
in the right way to serve our constituents. This we ask through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

### 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 Sebastian Ric A. Nagas was recognized and presented a motion for the approval of the Minutes of the previous regular session, jointly seconded by Honorable Joenil B. Aldonza, Honorable Noel P. Catre and Honorable Perfecto B. Consigo, it was unanimously

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Regular Session held on July 31, 2025, re: Resolution Nos. 128-135 be as it is hereby approved.

### MATTERS OF INFORMATION

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

*The Acting City Mayor, Honorable Alfonso S. Casurra has sent an invitation letter to all City Councilors to your respective Chief of Staff that the Sangguniang Panlungsod will hold a committee hearing as a whole on Friday tomorrow, August 1 at 2 :00 o'clock in the afternoon, to discuss the proposed ordinance mandating accredited lifeguards at coastal beaches in Surigao City. And this is in response to the second drowning incident happened.*

Another matter of information by **Hon. Noel P. Catre**.

#### HON. NOEL P. CATRE:

*I have one matter of information.*

#### HON. ARNOLD A. GO/PRESIDING OFFICER:

*Yes, Honorable Catre, you are recognized.*

#### HON. NOEL P. CATRE:

*Thank you. The other day, Mr. Chair, the Solid Waste Management Board Committee had a meeting and discussed therein were the accomplishments of the ENRO of Surigao City. It was well attended, the members of the board attended, and per information, the necessary legislation will be introduced before this body. That's all, Mr. Chair.*

### INCLUSION, AMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*I have one matter for inclusion, Mr. Chair.*

**HON. ARNOLD A. GO/PRESIDING OFFICER:**

*Yes, go ahead, Honorable Catre.*

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*Referring to Resolution Number 131-2025, A resolution returning Barangay Ordinance Number 01 Series of 2025 of Barangay Silop. May I move that it be included in the agenda for today for the necessary rectification of some errors.*

*On motion of Honorable Baltazar C. Abian, seconded by Honorable Joenil B. Aldonza, it was unanimously*

**RESOLVED**, to approve, as it is hereby approved, the agenda of the 27<sup>th</sup> Regular Session of the Sangguniang Panlungsod dated 31 July 2025 with inclusion.

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**FIRST READING:**

- *“An Ordinance Providing Venue for 2025 Tyanggihan sa Boulevard and Carnival Operations and for Other Purposes.” By Committee on Trade, Business, Industry, and Economic Enterprise.”*

**REFERRAL TO COMMITTEES:**

*A. Committee on Trade, Industry and Economic Enterprise –*

- *Indorsement Indorsement from the City Mayor, denominated as URGENT, forwarding to the City Council the Local Finance Committee Resolution No. 19, Series of 2025 "A Resolution Favorably Endorsing to the City Mayor and the Sangguniang Panlungsod the Schedule and Minimum Bid for the Operation of the Trade Fair and Carnival Operations in Line with the 2025 Fiesta Celebration of Surigao City.*

*B. Committee on Transportation, Communication and Utilities -*

- *Received a letter from Nickel Asia Corporation (NAC) – Diesel Power Plant, through its Resident Plant Manager, Mr. Marthen R. Suarnaba, formally requesting the establishment of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Local Government Unit of Surigao City, pursuant to Department of Energy Regulation No. 1-94 (ER1-94), entitled "Financial Benefits to Host Communities.*

*C. Committee on Rules –*

- Indorsement from the City Mayor, again denominated as URGENT requesting the City Council to pass a resolution authorizing the City Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) relative to the renewal of the Salary Loan Facility Accreditation Agreement of the City Government of Surigao.

**D. Committee on Appropriations -**

- Received Resolution No. 002, Series of 2025, of the Association of Barangay Secretaries (ABS), entitled "A Resolution Respectfully Requesting the City Vice Mayor, Honorable Alfonso S. Casurra, and the Sangguniang Panlungsod, to consider the Allocation of Funds for the Procurement of New Uniforms for the Association of Barangay Secretaries of Surigao City in Line with Adoption of a New Official Logo."
- Indorsement, from City Budget Officer, submitting the Sangguniang Kabataan Annual Budget, for calendar year 2025 of Barangay Sugbay, and Supplemental Budget Number 01 for calendar year 2025 of Barangay TAFT, all of the city.

**E. Committee on Health and Sanitation -**

- Indorsement from the City Mayor, forwarding the Local Finance Committee Resolution No. 20, Series of 2025, "A Resolution Recommending to the Local Chief Executive and Sangguniang Panlungsod the Proposed Resolution Approving the Ekonsulta Philhealth Performance Incentives Allocations of Surigao City.

**F. Committee on Social Welfare -**

- Indorsement again from the City Mayor, requesting the City Council to pass a resolution authorizing the City Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Commission on Population and Development (CPD) for the proposed full localization and institutionalization of the Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action (PPD-POA) 2023-2028 strategies in Surigao City.

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Honorable Joenil B. Aldonza** was recognized.

**HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

*Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and to my colleagues. I have one Committee Report.*

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

*Committee on Social Welfare and Urban Poor*

**SUBJECT:**

Indorsement from the City Mayor, requesting the City Council to pass a resolution authorizing the City Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) in the Implementation of the Social Pension Program, particularly the distribution of social pension benefits and the proper liquidation of the corresponding transferred funds.

**FINDINGS/FACTS:**

A committee hearing is conducted on this matter with the participation of Our City CSWD head and focal person from the DSWD Region XIII. This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is a cycle renewal for the two-remaining quarters of this year 2025, which is scheduled on September and December. Re-considered as the Implementation of the Social Pension Program, particularly for the distribution of the social benefits. Further as stated from our CSWD head, we are prepared and aligned for the implementation and for the benefits of the Surigaonon, hence and deemed in the committee that the both parties shall ensure compliance to all provisions.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

As the Committee on Social Welfare and Urban Poor, it is Recommend for the passage of a resolution for the request of our City Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Field Office Region XIII, for the implementation of the Social Pension Program, particularly the distribution of social pension benefits and the proper liquidation of the corresponding transferred of funds.

Mr. Chairman, may 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:

**RESOLUTION NO. 138 – 2025**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HONORABLE CITY MAYOR, PABLO YVES L. DURLAO II, TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT (DSWD) FIELD OFFICE REGION XIII FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SOCIAL PENSION PROGRAM, PARTICULARLY FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SOCIAL PENSION BENEFITS AND THE PROPER LIQUIDATION OF THE CORRESPONDING TRANSFERRED FUNDS.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Mayor of Surigao has formally requested authority from the Sangguniang Panlungsod to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Field Office Region XIII;

**WHEREAS**, said Memorandum of Agreement pertains to the implementation of the Social Pension Program, specifically the distribution of social pension benefits and the proper liquidation of the transferred funds corresponding to the program;

**WHEREAS**, a committee hearing was conducted by the Committee on Social Welfare and Urban Poor, with the participation of the City Social Welfare and Development (CSWD) Officer and the focal person from DSWD Region XIII;

**WHEREAS**, it was clarified during the hearing that the Memorandum of Agreement is part of the continuing cycle renewal for the remaining two quarters of Fiscal Year 2025, with distribution activities scheduled in September and December;

**WHEREAS**, the City Social Welfare and Development Office has expressed preparedness and alignment with the program's objectives and implementation standards, for the benefit of the Surigaonons;

**WHEREAS**, the Committee finds it necessary and appropriate that both parties—the City Government and the DSWD—ensure full compliance with all provisions stipulated in the MOA;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Joenil B. Aldonza, duly seconded by Hon. Noel P. Catre and Hon. Karl Duane A. Casurra it was unanimously

**RESOLVED**: as it is hereby resolved, to authorize the Honorable City Mayor, Pablo Yves L. Dumlao II, to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Field Office Region XIII, for the implementation of the Social Pension Program, particularly for the distribution of social pension benefits and the proper liquidation of the corresponding transferred funds.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Office of the City Mayor, the City Social Welfare and Development Office, and the DSWD Field Office Region XIII for their information and appropriate action.

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The **Honorable Karl Duane A. Casurra** was recognized.

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

*Thank you, Mr. Chair. This is a Joint Committee Report, Committee on Rules and Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries.*

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

*Committee on Rules and Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries*

#### **SUBJECT:**

*Endorsement of the draft ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Institutionalizing the Operation of the Surigao City Mariculture Park (SCMP) within Municipal Waters Located at Barangays Balibayon, Dayasan, and Nabago, and Subsequently Creating the Positions of Composite Team under the Office of the City Agriculture and Providing Funds Thereof."*

#### **FACTS/FINDINGS:**

*Upon conducting a committee hearing for review and initial evaluation, the Committee finds that the proposed ordinance requires further review and modification from the City Legal Office for it to be clear, proper and in order.*

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

*Our recommendation, the Committees recommends that the proposed ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Institutionalizing the Operation of the Surigao City Mariculture Park (SCMP) within the Municipal Waters Located at Barangays Balibayon, Dayasan, and Nabago, respectively and Subsequently Creating the Positions for Composite Team under the Office of the City Agriculture and Providing Funds Thereof" be returned to the City Legal Office for further study, review, and appropriate revision for clarity and order. The Committees likewise recommend that upon the receipt of the revised*

draft or legal clarification, the same shall be resubmitted to the Sangguniang Panlungsod for the renewed deliberation.

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

The motion to adopt the committee report was approved. The report shall be returned to the City Legal Office for further study, review, and appropriate revisions to enhance clarity and order. Once revised, it will be resubmitted to the Sanggunian for renewed deliberation.

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The Hon. Karl Duane A. Casurra continued his second committee report.

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

*Mr. Chair my second report is on the Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries.*

### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

*Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries*

#### **SUBJECT:**

*Endorsement from the City Mayor requesting for the Sangguniang Panlungsod to pass a resolution authorizing the City Mayor to enter into a Tripartite Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Agriculture Regional Office X111 and Sukailang Coconut Farmers Association for the Establishment of One Package Layer Module under the Department of Agriculture – Livestock Economic Enterprise Development (LEED) Program.*

#### **FACTS/FINDINGS:**

*The City Mayor has endorsed a request for authority to enter into a Tripartite Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Department of Agriculture Regional Field Office XIII (DA-RFO XIII), the City Government of Surigao, and the Sukailang Coconut Farmers Association. This MOA aims to establish a One Package Layer Module in Barangay Sukailang, funded under the Calendar Year 2025 Livestock Banner LEED Program with a total project cost of Php 3,800,000.00 pesos. The project will involve the Department of Agriculture, Regional Field Office Region X111 (DA-RFO Region X111) allocating Php 1,800,000.00 for animal housing and cages, and the Php 2,000,000.00 pesos will be transferred to the City Government of Surigao to be utilized for the purchase of animal stocks (1,000 Ready-to-Lay pullets), equipments, and supplies. Both the City Government and the Sukailang Coconut Farmers Association will contribute at least 20% equity in cash or in-kind, where it covers the labor and other maintenance expenses of the project, electrical and water connections, access roads, and/or road improvements, and other necessary inputs. This initiative is aligned with government efforts to support rural livelihood development, sustainable agriculture, and local food security through enhanced livestock production. The Committee also finds the Memorandum of Agreement to be in order.*

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

*Our recommendation Mr. Chair, the Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries recommends a passing of a resolution authorizing the City Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Agriculture–Regional Field Office XIII and the Sukailang Coconut Farmers Association for the establishment of the One Package Layer Module project under the Department of Agriculture – Livestock Economic Enterprise Development (LEED) Program, subject to all applicable government regulations.*

*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. 139 – 2025**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HONORABLE CITY MAYOR, PABLO YVES L. Dumlao II, TO ENTER INTO A TRIPARTITE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – REGIONAL FIELD OFFICE XIII AND THE SUKAILANG COCONUT FARMERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A ONE PACKAGE LAYER MODULE IN BARANGAY SUKAILANG UNDER THE LIVESTOCK ECONOMIC ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT (LEED) PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable City Mayor has endorsed for consideration the request to enter into a Tripartite Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) by and among the Department of Agriculture – Regional Field Office XIII (DA-RFO XIII), the City Government of Surigao, and the Sukailang Coconut Farmers Association;

**WHEREAS**, the proposed MOA aims to establish a One Package Layer Module in Barangay Sukailang under the DA's Livestock Economic Enterprise Development (LEED) Program for Calendar Year 2025, with a total project cost amounting to Three Million Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos (₱3,800,000.00);

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Agriculture – RFO XIII will allocate ₱1,800,000.00 for the construction of animal housing and cages, while ₱2,000,000.00 will be transferred to the City Government of Surigao for the procurement of 1,000 ready-to-lay pullets, as well as necessary equipment and supplies;

**WHEREAS**, the City Government of Surigao and the Sukailang Coconut Farmers Association shall each contribute at least 20% equity in cash or in-kind, which may include labor, maintenance expenses, electrical and water connections, access roads or road improvements, and other relevant project inputs;

**WHEREAS**, this collaborative project is aligned with the national goals of promoting rural livelihood development, ensuring food security, and advancing sustainable agriculture through enhanced livestock production;

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries has found the proposed Memorandum of Agreement to be in order and recommends its approval;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Karl Duane A. Casurra, duly seconded by Hon. Perfecto B. Consigo it was unanimously

**RESOLVED:** as it is hereby resolved, to authorize the Honorable City Mayor, Pablo Yves L. Dumlao II, to enter into a Tripartite Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Agriculture – Regional Field Office XIII and the Sukailang Coconut Farmers Association for the establishment of the



One Package Layer Module in Barangay Sukailang under the Livestock Economic Enterprise Development (LEED) Program, subject to all applicable government rules and regulations;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the City Mayor, the Department of Agriculture – RFO XIII, and the Sukailang Coconut Farmers Association for their information and appropriate action.

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The **Honorable Karl Duane A. Casurra** continued to report.

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

*And my third Committee Report Mr. Chair, this is a Joint Committee Report on Public Works and Highways, Committee on Education Culture and Heritage.*

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

*Joint Committee on Public Works and Highways and  
Committee on Education Culture and Heritage.*

**SUBJECT:**

*Geotechnical Investigation Report of the Proposed Two-Storey 6 Classroom Building for Barangay Nonoc, Surigao City.*

**FACTS/FINDINGS:**

*The committee received an endorsement from the School Head of Nonoc Elementary School of a Geotechnical Investigation Report conducted by the Department of Education Region XIII relative to the proposed construction of a two-Storey, 6- Classroom School Building at Nonoc Elementary School. The purpose of the report is to assess the site condition and suitability of the proposed school building, which forms part of the efforts to address classroom shortages and improve the learning environment in island and geographically isolated schools. The report has been endorsed to the Honorable Body for information and for favorable referral so that it may be considered as part of the priority infrastructure projects of either the Department of Education or the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH).*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

*The Committee recommends the favorable endorsement of the Geotechnical Investigation Report and the proposal for the construction of a two-Storey, 6-Classrooms School Building at Nonoc Elementary School, for consideration and funding under the programs of the Department of Education or the Department of Public Works and Highways. The Committee likewise recommends that a copy of this Committee Report and Resolution to be transmitted to the DepEd Division of Surigao City, DepEd Caraga Regional Office, and the DPWH Regional Office for appropriate consideration and action.*

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

Before the approval of the resolution, the Honorable Noel P. Catre has an amendment.

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*My amendment consists of the following:*

*Resolution consisting the Department of Public Works and Highways to include in each Infrastructure Program for the current year the construction of the two-storey 6 classrooms School building in Nonoc, Surigao City.*

Whereas the Department of Public Works and Highways is mandated to undertake Infrastructure Development Projects including the construction School buildings in coordination with the Department of Education and Local Government Units;

Whereas the coastal Schools facility in Barangay Nonoc Surigao City is current at risks of being damaged or completely destroyed by the coastal erosion and sea encroachment, pushing a serious threat to the safety and welfare of the students and faculty;

Whereas a soil analysis has already been conducted for the proposed construction site, demonstrating the viability and readiness of the project;

Whereas there in is an Urgent compelling need to construct a new and safer two-storey School building, to ensure the continuity of education and the protection of School children and personnel in the Barangay;

I therefore move jointly with Honorable Casurra, to respectfully request the Department of Public Works and Highways to include in its Infrastructure program for the current year, the construction of a two-storey 6 classrooms School Building in Barangay Nonoc, Surigao City, in the light of the immediate need, for a new facility and a prior conduct the necessary soil analysis.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Honorable Secretary of the DPWH, the DPWH Regional and District Engineering Offices, the City Mayor of Surigao, and the Schools Division Superintendent for their information and guidance.

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

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 140– 2025**

#### **A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS (DPWH) TO INCLUDE IN ITS INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TWO-STOREY SCHOOL BUILDING IN NONOC, SURIGAO CITY.**

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) is mandated to undertake infrastructure development projects, including the construction of school buildings, in coordination with the Department of Education (DepEd) and local government units;

**WHEREAS**, the coastal school facility in Barangay Nonoc, Surigao City is currently at risk of being damaged or completely destroyed by coastal erosion and sea encroachment, posing a serious threat to the safety and welfare of the students and faculty;

**WHEREAS**, a soil analysis has already been conducted for the proposed construction site, demonstrating the technical viability and readiness of the project;

**WHEREAS**, there is an urgent and compelling need to construct a new and safer two-storey school building to ensure the continuity of education and the protection of school children and personnel in the barangay;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Noel P. Catre, duly seconded by Honorable Perfecto B. Consigo, it was unanimously

**RESOLVED**: as it is hereby resolved, to respectfully request the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) to include in its infrastructure program for the current year the construction of a two-storey school building in Barangay Nonoc, Surigao City, in light of the immediate need for a new facility and the prior conduct of the necessary soil analysis;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Honorable Secretary of the DPWH, the DPWH Regional and District Engineering Offices, the City Mayor of Surigao, and the Schools Division Superintendent for their information and appropriate action.

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The **Honorable Noel P. Catre** was recognized and rendered his committee report.

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

Earlier Your Honor, I requested for the return of Resolution No. 01-131-2025 of Barangay Silop for the necessary correction by sheer inadvertence instead of recommending the approval subject to the condition that there's be a publication, what was recommended then was the disapproval for lack of publication. The approval comes first before the publication. The Ordinance of Barangay Silop adopting the City Ordinance in the matter of the curfew is within its authority to enact. I therefore, the recommendation therefore of the Committee is the approval of the Ordinance of Barangay Silop, subject to publication.

So, I so move for the adoption of the 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. 141 – 2025**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING BARANGAY ORDINANCE NO. 1, SERIES OF 2025 OF BARANGAY SILOP, ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING CITY ORDINANCE NO. 310, SERIES OF 2010, ENTITLED 'AN ORDINANCE STANDARDIZING CURFEW REGULATIONS FOR MINORS WITHIN SURIGAO CITY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES'"**

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 131-2025, entitled "*A Resolution Returning Barangay Ordinance No. 01, Series of 2025 of Barangay Silop for Non-Compliance with the Requirements of Publication Pursuant to Section 59, Paragraphs (A), (B), and (C) of the Local Government Code of 1991*", was approved during the 26th Regular Session of the Sangguniang Panlungsod;

**WHEREAS**, by sheer inadvertence, the subject Barangay Ordinance was disapproved on the ground of lack of publication, instead of being recommended for approval subject to the condition that the required publication be conducted;

**WHEREAS**, it is understood that approval of a barangay ordinance shall precede its publication as a requirement for its effectivity;

**WHEREAS**, Barangay Ordinance No. 01, Series of 2025 of Barangay Silop, entitled “An Ordinance Adopting City Ordinance No. 310, Series of 2010, Entitled ‘An Ordinance Standardizing Curfew Regulations for Minors Within Surigao City and for Other Purposes’”, falls within the legislative authority of the barangay;

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Rules recommends the approval of Barangay Ordinance No. 01, Series of 2025 of Barangay Silop, subject to compliance with the publication requirement;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Noel P. Catre, duly seconded by Honorable Perfecto B. Consigo it was unanimously

**RESOLVED**: as it is hereby resolved, to pass a resolution approving Barangay Ordinance No. 1, series of 2025 of Barangay Silop, entitled, “An Ordinance adopting City Ordinance no. 310, series of 2010, entitled ‘An Ordinance standardizing curfew regulations for minors within Surigao City and for other purposes’”;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the City Mayor, Barangay Council of Barangay Silop, and all office concerned for their information and appropriate action.

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The **Honorable Joshua Emilio S. Geli** was recognized and rendered his committee report.

**HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI:**

*Thank you, Mr. Chairman.*

#### COMMITTEE REPORT

*Committee on Urban Development and Land Use*

#### **SUBJECT:**

*Application for Preliminary Subdivision Plan of VCDU's Proposed Housing Project, Northtown Subdivision, Located at Sitio Bacud, Barangay Luna, this City with the Total Area of Fifty Thousand Square meters (50,000 sqm.)*

#### **FACTS/FINDINGS:**

*Committee Hearing was conducted on July 24, 2025 together with the committee members, representatives from the City Planning and Development Office, City Assessor's Office, City Administrator's Office and representatives from VCDU Realty Corporation in the person of Mary Grace P. Villanueva. The CPDO presented and reiterated their certification that the documents presented by VCDU Realty Corporation are complete and are in order as far as the requirements necessary for the approval of preliminary subdivision plan such as the Survey Plan, Vicinity Map, Topography Plan, Site Development Plan, and Certified True Copy of the Land Title.*

*The applicant also now presented a copy of the proof of ownership of the said lot wherein the Transfer Certificate Title document is now under the name of VCDU Realty Corporation. As presented by the VCDU Realty Corporation, the total project will cost an estimate of over Five Hundred Million Pesos (P500,000,000.00.) and will benefit the city as far as housing demands are concerned. It was also discussed during the said committee hearing that even though the Articles of Incorporation of the said company, accompanied with its updated General Information Sheet is not part of the CPDO's*

requirements for the approval of the preliminary subdivision plan, it was deemed necessary and indispensable to strengthen the position of the application and to safeguard the City LGU and the possible and future buyers of this housing project. As with this requirement, VCDU Realty has transmitted a copy of their amended articles of incorporation and updated general information sheet.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Committee on Urban Development and Land Use hereby recommends to pass a resolution approving the preliminary subdivision plan of VCDU Realty Corporation's Proposed Housing Project, Northtown Subdivision, Located at Sitio Bacud, Barangay Luna, this City with a total area of fifty thousand square meters (50,000 sqms.)

Signed Chairman; Vice Chairman, Honorable Noel P. Catre; member, Honorable Arnold Go, member, Honorable Joenil Aldonza and member, Honorable Baltazar C. Abian.

With this Mr. Chairman, I respectfully move to adopt my committee report, Mr. Chairman.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 142 – 2025**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR PRELIMINARY SUBDIVISION PLAN OF VCDU REALTY CORPORATION'S PROPOSED HOUSING PROJECT, NORTHTOWN SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT SITIO BACUD, BARANGAY LUNA, THIS CITY, WITH A TOTAL AREA OF FIFTY THOUSAND SQUARE METERS (50,000 SQM.)**

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlungsod was in receipt of an indorsement from the Office of the City Mayor forwarding the Proposed Subdivision Development Plan of the Proposed Northtown Subdivision located at Sitio Bacud, Barangay Luna, Surigao City;

**WHEREAS**, VCDU Realty Corporation has submitted an application for the approval of its preliminary subdivision plan for the said housing project, with a total land area of Fifty Thousand Square Meters (50,000 sqm.);

**WHEREAS**, a committee hearing was conducted on July 24, 2025 by the Committee on Urban Development and Land Use, attended by its members, representatives from the City Planning and Development Office (CPDO), City Assessor's Office, City Administrator's Office, and VCDU Realty Corporation represented by Ms. Mary Grace P. Villanueva;

**WHEREAS**, the City Planning and Development Office certified and reiterated that all documentary requirements for the approval of the preliminary subdivision plan—such as the Survey Plan, Vicinity Map, Topography Plan, Site Development Plan, and the Certified True Copy of the Land Title—were found to be complete and in order;

**WHEREAS**, the applicant has likewise presented proof of ownership over the subject property, now covered by a Transfer Certificate of Title under the name of VCDU Realty Corporation;

**WHEREAS**, VCDU Realty Corporation presented that the proposed project is estimated to cost over Five Hundred Million Pesos (₱500,000,000.00), addressing the city's growing housing demands;

**WHEREAS**, while the Articles of Incorporation and the updated General Information Sheet are not part of the City Planning and Development Office's required documents for preliminary subdivision plan approval, these were nonetheless deemed necessary to strengthen the legal and administrative standing of the applicant, and to safeguard the interest of the City Government and future homebuyers;

**WHEREAS**, VCDU Realty Corporation has complied with this additional requirement and submitted its amended Articles of Incorporation and updated General Information Sheet;

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Urban Development and Land Use recommends the approval of the said preliminary subdivision plan;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Joshua Emilio S. Geli, duly seconded by Honorable Perfecto B. Consigo, it was unanimously

**RESOLVED**: as it is hereby resolved, to pass a resolution approving the application for Preliminary Subdivision Plan of VCDU Realty Corporation's Proposed Housing Project, Northtown Subdivision, located at Sitio Bacud, Barangay Luna, this city, with a total area of Fifty Thousand Square Meters (50,000 sqm.)

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the City Mayor, VCDU Realty Corporation, the City Planning and Development Office, and other concerned offices for their information and appropriate action.

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The **Honorable Faith B. Elumba** was recognized for her committee report.

**HON. FAITH B. ELUMBA:**

*Thank you, Mr. Chair. Good afternoon everyone. I have two committee reports. First...*

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

*Committee on Health and Sanitation*

#### **SUBJECT:**

*Endorsement from the City Mayor, requesting the City Council for an authority to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Dr. Ponciano S. Limcangco as Pathologist of the City Health Office with an honorarium of five thousand pesos (P5,000.00) per month from July 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.*

#### **FACTS/FINDINGS:**

*This endorsement from the City Mayor is a renewal of the Memorandum of Agreement which was approved last March 2025. As it was previously discussed this request is a renewal of the MOA as the City Health laboratory needs to be managed by a licensed pathologist for it to function wherein the services of Dr. Ponciano S. Limcangco will be extended until December 2025 with a monthly salary of five thousand pesos (P5,000.00.)*

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

*The Committee of Health and Sanitation hereby recommends to pass a resolution authorizing the City*

Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with Dr. Ponciano S. Limcangco as Pathologist of the City Health Office with an honorarium of five thousand pesos (P 5,000.00) per month from July 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.

*With this Mr. Chair, I respectfully move to approve my committee report.*

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

#### RESOLUTION NO. 143 - 2025

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HONORABLE CITY MAYOR PABLO YVES L. Dumlao II TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH DR. PONCIANO S. LIMCANGCO AS PATHOLOGIST OF THE CITY HEALTH OFFICE WITH AN HONORARIUM OF FIVE THOUSAND PESOS (P 5,000.00) PER MONTH FROM JULY 1, 2025 TO DECEMBER 31, 2025.**

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlungsod was in receipt of an indorsement from the City Mayor, requesting the city council for an authority to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Dr. Ponciano S. Limcangco as Pathologist of the City Health Office, with an honorarium of Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) per month effective July 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025, to be funded under the City Mayor's Office;

**WHEREAS**, a committee hearing was conducted together with the committee members and the city departments involved, to discuss the said Memorandum of Agreement;

**WHEREAS**, it was established that the City Health Laboratory requires a licensed pathologist for proper operation and compliance with regulatory standards, thereby justifying the need for this agreement;

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Health and Sanitation has recommended limiting the duration of the Memorandum of Agreement until December 31, 2025, subject to renewal upon its expiration;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Faith B. Elumba, jointly seconded by Honorable Joenil B. Aldonza and Honorable Perfecto B. Consigo, 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 with Dr. Ponciano S. Limcangco as Pathologist of the City Health Office with an honorarium of Five Thousand Pesos (P 5,000.00) per month from July 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.

**RESOLVED FURTHER:** That copies of this resolution be furnished the Honorable City Mayor, City Health Office (CHO) and all concerned for their information, guidance and appropriate action.

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The Honorable Faith B. Elumba was recognized again.

**HON. FAITH B. ELUMBA:**

*The second...*

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**Committee on Health and Sanitation**

**SUBJECT:**

*Request for a Resolution Authorizing the City Mayor to Sign the Deed of Donation Executed by the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO) for the Donation of a Medical Transport Vehicle.*

**FACTS/FINDINGS:**

*The Committee on Health and Sanitation held a committee hearing on July 30, 2025. Present during the hearing were Hon. Sebastian Ric A. Nagas, Hon. Arnold A. Go, Hon. Joshua Emilio S. Geli, Hon. Jenelyn Edulzura, Dr. Benjelita P. Notada, and Ms. Catherine Olvis. The meeting was called to discuss the request for a resolution authorizing the City Mayor to sign the Deed of Donation with the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO).*

*Based on the Deed of Donation, the PCSO has started a program to give Medical Transport Vehicles to the City Government of Surigao. This program aims to improve healthcare services, especially in helping patients who need urgent medical care reach the nearest hospital or health center.*

*The donation is meant to help local governments respond better to medical emergencies, especially in far or underserved areas, and to make healthcare more accessible and reliable.*

*The Deed of Donation also explains the responsibilities of the recipient, including using and taking care of the vehicle properly for medical transport purpose.*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

*After due deliberation, the Committee on Health and Sanitation, respectfully recommends the approval and passage of a resolution authorizing the Honorable City Mayor to sign, in behalf of the Local Government Unit of Surigao City, the Deed of Donation executed by the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO) for the donation of a Medical Transport Vehicle. This is in support of the government's continuing efforts to enhance public health services and ensure timely medical response for all constituents.*

*Mr. Chair, 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:

**RESOLUTION NO. 144 - 2025**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR TO SIGN THE DEED OF DONATION FROM THE PHILIPPINE CHARITY SWEEPSTAKES OFFICE (PCSO) FOR THE DONATION OF A MEDICAL TRANSPORT VEHICLE TO THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF SURIGAO.**

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlungsod was in receipt of an indorsement from the City Mayor, requesting the city council for an authority to **sign the deed of donation executed by the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO), which aims to donate medical transport vehicles to local government units (lgus) at the provincial and municipal levels, with the end-**



841 in-view of providing service to patients requiring medical response to the nearest treatment  
842 hospital or health facility;

843 **WHEREAS**, the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO) has initiated a program to  
844 donate Medical Transport Vehicles to Local Government Units (LGUs) at the provincial and municipal  
845 levels to strengthen the delivery of healthcare services;

846 **WHEREAS**, the said initiative is intended to bolster the capacity of LGUs in responding to  
847 medical emergencies by ensuring timely and safe transportation of patients to the nearest treatment  
848 hospital or health facility;

849 **WHEREAS**, the City Government of Surigao has been identified as a recipient of a Medical  
850 Transport Vehicle under this donation program;

851 **WHEREAS**, in order to facilitate the acceptance of the donation, the execution of a Deed of  
852 Donation between the PCSO and the City Government of Surigao is required, it is necessary to  
853 authorize the City Mayor to represent the City Government and sign the Deed of Donation on its behalf;

854 **NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Faith B. Elumba, jointly seconded by Honorable  
855 Karl Duane A. Casurra and Honorable Perfecto B. Consigo, it was unanimously

856 **RESOLVED:** To pass a resolution authorizing the Honorable City Mayor Pablo Yves L.  
857 Dumlao II to sign, on behalf of the City Government of Surigao, the Deed of Donation executed by the  
858 Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO), in connection with the donation of a Medical Transport  
859 Vehicle intended to improve the delivery of medical services to the constituents of Surigao City;

860 **RESOLVED FURTHER**, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to the City Mayor, the  
861 Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO), and other concerned offices for their information and  
862 appropriate action.

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865 The **Honorable Noel P. Catre** was recognized again.

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867 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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869 *I have one more committee report. This is in the matter of the renaming of the Day Care*  
870 *Centers in Barangay Rizal.*

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872 **COMMITTEE REPORT**  
873 **Committee on Rules**

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875 **SUBJECT:**  
876 *Renaming of Day Care Centers in Barangay Rizal*

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878 **FACTS/FINDINGS:**  
879 *The resolution is consistent with the law renaming barangay day care centers to child*  
880 *development centers, namely, R.A. 10410.*

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882 **RECOMMENDATION:**  
883 *It is therefore recommended that the resolution be approved.*

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

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## RESOLUTION NO. 145 - 2025

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND APPROVING THE RENAMING OF  
THE FOUR (4) DAY CARE CENTERS IN BARANGAY RIZAL INTO CHILD  
DEVELOPMENT CENTERS, PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10410,  
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "EARLY YEARS ACT OF 2013"**

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlungsod was in receipt of an indorsement from the Office of the City Mayor forwarding *Barangay Resolution No. 10, Series of 2025*, of Barangay Rizal, entitled:

*"A Resolution proving that the four (4) Day Care Centers, namely: Centro Rizal, Sitio Lumaban, Sitio Balibayon, and Sitio Bioborjan Settlers, are actively performing their responsibilities as Child Development Centers";*

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlungsod was likewise in receipt of a separate indorsement from the Office of the City Mayor forwarding *Barangay Resolution No. 11, Series of 2025*, of the same barangay, entitled:

*"A Resolution for the revision of title from Day Care Center to Child Development Center";*

**WHEREAS**, *Republic Act No. 10410*, otherwise known as the Early Years Act (EYA) of 2013, defines the period from zero (0) to eight (8) years as the first crucial stage of educational development and mandates the government to develop a comprehensive policy for Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD), including the transformation of Day Care Centers into Child Development Centers;

**WHEREAS**, Section 11 of the Early Years Act of 2013 mandates the conversion of existing Day Care Centers into Child Development Centers in various Local Government Units (LGUs) to align with the expanded scope of services and programs under the ECCD framework;

**WHEREAS**, the use of the term "Child Development Center" is consistent with the national framework to deliver more holistic and developmentally appropriate early childhood education and care services to Filipino children;

**WHEREAS**, it is proper and necessary to formally adopt the renaming of said Day Care Centers in Barangay Rizal into Child Development Centers to align with national policies, enhance service delivery, and strengthen early childhood care and development in the locality;

**WHEREAS**, Barangay Resolution No. 11, series of 2025 of Barangay Rizal is consistent with the law renaming Barangay Day Care Centers to Child Development Centers, namely, R.A 10410;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Noel P Catre, duly seconded by Hon. Perfecto B. Consigo, it was unanimously

**RESOLVED**: as it is hereby resolved, to pass a resolution to recognize and approve the renaming of the following Day Care Centers in Barangay Rizal **into Child Development Centers**, pursuant to Republic Act No. 10410:

1. Centro Rizal Day Care Center → Centro Rizal Child Development Center
2. Sitio Lumaban Day Care Center → Sitio Lumaban Child Development Center
3. Sitio Balibayon Day Care Center → Sitio Balibayon Child Development Center
4. Sitio Bioborjan Settlers Day Care Center → Sitio Bioborjan Settlers Child Development Center

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this resolution be furnished the Office of the City Mayor, City Social Welfare and Development Office, Barangay Council of Barangay Rizal, and other concerned agencies for their information, reference, and appropriate action.

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#### **CALENDAR OF BUSINESS –**

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

- **NONE**

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

- *Indorsement from the City Mayor, denominated as **URGENT**, forwarding to the City Council the Local Finance Committee No. 19, Series of 2025 "A Resolution Favorably Endorsing to the City Mayor and the Sangguniang Panlungsod the Schedule and Minimum Bid for the Operation of the Trade Fair and Carnival Operations in Line with the 2025 Fiesta Celebration of Surigao City."*

#### **HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI:**

*Good afternoon again, Mr. Chairman. Good afternoon to my colleagues. I am in receipt of an urgent endorsement from the City Mayor. A resolution, an LFC resolution, favoring endorsing to the City Mayor and Sangguniang Panlungsod, the schedule and minimum bid for the operation of the trade fair and carnival operations in line with the 2025 Fiesta Celebration of Surigao City. Attached here is the LFC Resolution Number 19, which is flashed on the screen and the proposed ordinance prepared by the Executive Department. With this Mr. Chairman, for the discussion of this proposed ordinance, I move to suspend the rules to invite our resource person so we can discuss this thoroughly and if there be any questions from the body, we can address it to the resource persons, Mr. Chairman. So, I move to suspend the rules, Mr. Chairman.*

The **RULES WERE SUSPENDED**, to accommodate the city administrator, Attorney Lex Silvosa, Attorney Dahlia Perral Dela Rosa, and Attorney Jeffrey Galido.

**Atty. Jeffrey P. Galido** was recognized.

#### **ATTY. JEFFREY GALIDO/CITY BUDGET OFFICER/LFC CHAIRMAN:**

*Good afternoon, Your Honors. The resolution that we favorably endorse to this august body is an ordinance for the operation of our Tyangghihan sa Boulevard and carnival operations, which are scheduled to be on August 12, 2025, to September 15. Actually, this is just similar to the previous years except for the trade fair that we proposed, that instead of the local government unit of Surigao operating the Tyanggi operation in Boulevard, we are proposing that it should be open for bidding so that the city could be relieved of some cost, and it would also be beneficial to the local government unit of Surigao City considering that we have already experienced similar incidents last year. During our*

991 discussion also, we come up with the proposed bid of 1,250,000 since this is the average cost that we  
 992 will be operating or we will be incurring if we will be the one to operate the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard.  
 993 And to spare also the city from other incidental expenses. We also consider that as the reasons or one  
 994 of the reasons why we are proposing the trade fair to be bidded out to interested bidders. Thank you  
 995 very much.

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997 **HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI:**

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999 Okay. So, the minimum bid for the trade fair is 1.250 million and the carnival is, I think, this is  
 1000 the same as last year 300,000. So, this is an open discussion, so if there are questions from the floor,  
 1001 you can request our presiding officer to be recognized.

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1003 **HON. ARNOLD A. GO/PRESIDING OFFICER:**

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1005 Yes, Honorable Catre, you are here to be recognized.

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1007 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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1009 Let me call your attention to Section 7...7.5 of your proposed ordinance. It says the Carnival  
 1010 operator and the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard operator as the duly designated operator and stall lessor,  
 1011 respectively. Shall each be required to pay the special business permit fee and barangay clearance  
 1012 fee in the amounts prescribed under Section 4 of this ordinance. Did I read it correctly?

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1014 **ATTY. JEFFREY GALIDO/CITY BUDGET OFFICER/LFC CHAIRMAN:**

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1016 Yes, your honor.

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1018 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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1020 All right, let me call your attention. Let me bring your attention to Section 4.

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1022 **ATTY. JEFFREY GALIDO/CITY BUDGET OFFICER/LFC CHAIRMAN:**

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1024 Your honor, please. I think there is a clerical error. Instead of Section 4, your honor, it's Section  
 1025 3, your honor.

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1027 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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1031 **ATTY. JEFFREY GALIDO/CITY BUDGET OFFICER/LFC CHAIRMAN:**

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1033 Yes, Your Honor.

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1035 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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1037 Because Section 4 here does not talk about fees.

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1039 **ATTY. JEFFREY GALIDO/CITY BUDGET OFFICER/LFC CHAIRMAN:**

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1041 Yes, Your Honor. In fact, it is about setup.

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1043 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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So let us go back to 7.5. If I am the operator of the Tyanggihan and I will lease the stalls that I will put up to leases. Am I still required to pay the fees provided for in section 3? Because your provision here says the Carnival operator and the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard operator and stall lessor, respectively, shall each be required to pay the special business permit fee and barangay clearance fee. Would that be correct?

**ATTY. DAHLIA PERRAL DELA ROSA/LICENSING OFFICER IV, BPLO:**

Yes, Mr. Chair. Good afternoon. Yes, Honorable Catre. As with regards to Section 7.5, third paragraph of this section provides that in addition, stall tenants operating within the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard shall be individually responsible to pay for the fees mentioned also under Section 3.

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

It's Section 4 here in your last paragraph of 7.5.

**ATTY. DAHLIA PERRAL DELA ROSA/LICENSING OFFICER IV, BPLO:**

Yes, I'm sorry, Mr. Chair. Still the same with the clerical error previously mentioned.

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

Nevertheless, if I do not own a stall, but I am the winning bidder, why should I pay this business permit fees and barangay clearance fee when I do not own a single stall. But, I am the winning bidder. Why should I be required to pay all these?

**ATTY. JEFFREY GALIDO/CITY BUDGET OFFICER/LFC CHAIRMAN:**

Your honor, please, with regard to the Lessor, the winning bidder, you would still be required to pay the business permit being given the opportunity to conduct business also in Surigao being the Lessor. If you will be the winning bidder, you will become a Lessor, and you will have an opportunity to earn income from the Lessee of the stalls that will be erected on the area. So, even if you are the winning bidder, you are still considered as a businessman with regards being a Lessor. And in fact and therefore, being given the opportunity to earn income, you are required to pay also business income to the city.

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

In effect, in addition to 1,250,000 that I will pay as the winning bidder, I will still pay special business permit fee and other fees. Is that correct?

**ATTY. JEFFREY GALIDO/CITY BUDGET OFFICER/LFC CHAIRMAN:**

Yes, your honor. Special permit fee and the other permit that you are required is the barangay clearance, your honor.

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

Why should I be required to obtain a barangay clearance when I am dealing with the city government of Surigao?

**ATTY. JEFFREY GALIDO/CITY BUDGET OFFICER/LFC CHAIRMAN:**

The logic and the reason behind that, Your Honor, is that equal protection clause, Your Honor, that everybody who are given opportunity should be treated equal. The same also with other Lessee,

1100 *that they are given the opportunity to earn income while using the stall. Same logic also, Your Honor,*  
 1101 *with regards to the Lessor or the winning bidder, that even if you are the winning bidder, you are also*  
 1102 *given equal opportunity at the same time equal responsibility also, Your Honor.*

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1104 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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1106 *Okay, so I am now clarified. On the lighter side, your proposed ordinance says and I call your*  
 1107 *attention to section...where is that? Prohibitions, section 10. The following are prohibited: the*  
 1108 *construction of stalls prior to the awarding of the operations to the winning bidder in payment of fees.*  
 1109 *Did I read it correctly?*

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1111 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGER OFFICER:**

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1113 *Yes, Your Honor.*

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1116 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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1118 *Then the second prohibition. Taking a bath, did I read it correctly?*

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1120 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1122 *Yes, Your Honor.*

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1124 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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1126 *Do you like the stall, the locators there to smell like hell?*

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1128 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1130 *No, Your Honor.*

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1132 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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1134 *You don't allow them to take a bath? What do you mean by this, prohibited from taking a bath?*

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1136 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GAGLIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1138 *Your Honor, this is based on the last year experienced that some of these stall owners are*  
 1139 *taking a bath within the area, Your Honor, some of these are inside their stall, Your Honor. So, it will*  
 1140 *make the place unsanitary.*

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1142 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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1144 *In effect, you are telling us that the prohibition applies to locators taking a bath inside their stalls?*

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1146 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1148 *Within the area, Your Honor, even if it is not within their stalls, if it is within the area they are*  
 1149 *prohibited, Your Honor.*

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1151 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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1153           *Okay. We will clarify that because we don't like the business operators there to smell like hell.*  
 1154           *Second is, defecating within the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard, why not? You have a toilet there. So, we'll*  
 1155           *require business locators there to go home and relieve themselves in their respective houses?*

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 1157 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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 1159           *As nature obligates them, Your Honor, they should have to in their respective home if they*  
 1160           *can, not in the place that we are assigning as the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard, Your Honor.*

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 1162 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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 1164           *Don't we have a comfort room there in the Boulevard?*

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 1166 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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 1168           *We have, Your Honor, we have designated a comfort room also, Your Honor.*

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 1170 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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 1172           *Is that for a fee or free of charge?*

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 1174 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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 1176           *It's free for the city, Your Honor.*

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 1178 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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 1180           *It's free, so they are not allowed to use that?*

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 1182 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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 1184           *They are also allowed, Your Honor.*

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 1186 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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 1188           *Then your prohibition is and defecating within the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard premises? And*  
 1189           *the comfort room there is within the premises?*

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 1191 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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 1193           *That's outside the premises, Your Honor, the comfort room are designated outside the*  
 1194           *premises, Your Honor.*

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 1196 **HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

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 1198           *Ilabog rakan sa dagat para waya nay problema.*

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 1200 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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 1202           *Ah, it would become a natural fertilizer, Your Honor.*

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 1204 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

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 1206           *And finally, since, what is prohibited is taking a bath and defecating, if I am a business locator*  
 1207           *there, can I urinate?*

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

*Your Honor, the same prohibition, Your Honor, analogous to those enumerated in section 10, Your Honor.*

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*But you know very well that what is not included is deemed excluded?*

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

*Alterius unius, exclusio, yes, Your Honor.*

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*Yes, exclusio unius est alterius.*

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

*Yes, Your Honor. The concept is when the law does not include, it excludes.*

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*So, I am allowed to urinate by facing the sea and urinate there.*

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

*In the lighter note, Your Honor, it would be dependent on your moral and your upbringing, Your Honor.*

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*No, we cannot prevent the call of the nature.*

**HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

*Oo, labina kon makainom. Pasirit raman jaun sila.*

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

*If that would be the jest, Your Honor, we will just include as an amendment to the contract, the word analogous acts or analogous activities.*

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*I was just trying to make our discussion here to make the discussion live, let's not be serious because we will suffer high blood pressure.*

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

*You Honor, it's the same as if I am in 2016, Your Honor, attending your class.*

**HON. ARNOLD A. GO / PRESIDING OFFICER:**



1263 *Hon. Casurra, you are recognized.*

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1265 **HON. KARL DUANE A. CASURRA:**

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1267 *Mr. Chair, in addition to the clarification of the Hon. Catre. May I ask also if, previously we*  
 1268 *installed portalets in those areas that will be covered by the Tyangihan sa Barangay. Now we have,*  
 1269 *we will bidding it out to an operator, so does mean that the operator will be the one who will provide*  
 1270 *the portalets or it will still be the city?*

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1272 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1274 *Since the portalets are available for, in the city we can just provide it also not only for use of*  
 1275 *the stall owners but it could also be used by the public who will be visiting the area.*

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1277 **HON. ARNOLD A. GO / PRESIDING OFFICER:**

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1279 *Which is for free?*

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1281 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1283 *Yes, Your Honor.*

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1285 **HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

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1287 *Existing nato na cr kuman pila ra?*

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1289 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1291 *I don't know with the number, Your Honor, I think two, duha.*

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1293 **HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

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1295 *Duha. Kuyang jaun sakto kuyang..*

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1297 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1299 *Aside from the portalets we already have there the comfort room that we recently constructed*  
 1300 *so that would add up.*

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1302 **HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

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1304 *I add rakan jaun.*

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1306 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1308 *Sir, Your Honor.*

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1310 **HON. SEBASTIAN RIC A. NAGAS:**

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1312 *Mr. Chairman.*

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1314 **HON. ARNOLD A. GO / PRESIDING OFFICER:**

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1316 *Yes, go ahead, Honorable Nagas.*

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1318 **HON. SEBASTIAN RIC A. NAGAS:**

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1320 *Short clarification lang, Mr. Chair. Under section 7.5, Mr. Chair. Installation, maintenance*  
 1321 *and payment of their respective electrical and water utility connection and consumption charges. The*  
 1322 *carnival operator and tyanggihan operator, Mr. Chair. Where will they pay their electric bill and water*  
 1323 *bill? Will it be directly to the city or to Surneco?*

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1325 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1327 *They will be paying directly to Surneco, since they will be applying for their connections.*

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1329 **HON. SEBASTIAN RIC A. NAGAS:**

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1331 *Kay before it was the city.*

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1334 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1336 *Yes.*

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1338 **HON. ARNOLD A. GO / PRESIDING OFFICER:**

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1340 *That includes the Primewater also?*

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1342 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1344 *Yes, Your Honor, and we are praying that the Primewater will deliver sufficient water enough*  
 1345 *during that area and time, Your Honor.*

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1347 **HON. SEBASTIAN RIC A. NAGAS:**

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1349 *Last, Mr. Chair. How about kuan the tents? Who will provide the tents for the stall owners?*

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1351 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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1353 *It would be the lessor na.*

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1355 **HON. SEBASTIAN RIC A. NAGAS:**

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1357 *Okay, that's all.*

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1359 **HON. ARNOLD A. GO / PRESIDING OFFICER:**

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1361 *Thank you, Hon. Nagas. Any other clarifications, questions?*

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1363 **HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI:**

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1365 *Mr. Chairman.*

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1367 **HON. ARNOLD A. GO / PRESIDING OFFICER:**

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1369 *Yes, go ahead, Hon. Geli.*

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1371 **HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI:**

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1373 *With the other corrections, I think, there is also another correction, I think, the whole of section*  
 1374 *6 was deleted, it should be the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard carnival operation should be read as Section*  
 1375 *6, then the rest will follow to 7.*

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 1377 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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 1379 *Yes, Your Honor. I think, the numbering was inadvertently skipped because of the changes*  
 1380 *we have during the last committee meeting, Your Honor, but we will change accordingly, Your Honor.*

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 1382 **HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI:**

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 1384 *Okay. And then, Mr. Chairman, there is no mention here in the ordinance wherein the set-up*  
 1385 *of the booth will be opened just at the night time? Because before the Boulevard was opened during*  
 1386 *the day, night, aw mabuntag, daytime it was passable pero one-way ra. And are we assuming na*  
 1387 *sirado gajud sija the whole from August 15 to September 15 or it will be on the prerogative of the*  
 1388 *operator.*

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 1390 **HON. ARNOLD A. GO / PRESIDING OFFICER:**

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 1392 *Yeah. What time the stalls will be opened?*

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 1394 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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 1396 *There is no specific time, Your Honor, it will dependent on the lessor but the suggestion just*  
 1397 *like before, just like last year na it should be passable during daytime.*

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 1399 **HON. ARNOLD A. GO / PRESIDING OFFICER:**

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 1401 *Daytime. Okay. Thank you.*

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 1403 **HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI:**

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 1405 *So let us, I think maybe we can insert a provision here wherein at least one lane can be*  
 1406 *opened like emergency purposes, Mr. Chairman. Like the previous years when we operated this ano.*

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 1408 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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 1410 *Okay, Your Honor, that's well noted, Your Honor.*

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 1412 **HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI:**

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 1414 *Kay di man gajud pwede na isarado gajud kay for example, ang mga stalls owner magdeliver*  
 1415 *nan ila goods, etchetera, kinahanglan gajud makasuyod ang mga tricycle, mga multicab etc.*

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 1417 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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 1419 *Yes, Your Honor.*

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 1421 **HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI:**

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 1423 *So, anymore? Anymore question from the floor? So, we have a few amendments, one of*  
 1424 *which is the numbering of the sections, and then section 7. 5 but it should be 6.5, the word section 4*  
 1425 *for the two paragraphs should be section 3, and then i-insert ang urination, analogous acts.*

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 1427 **ATTY. JEFFREY P. GALIDO / CITY BUDGET OFFICER:**

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*Ana-logus.*

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**HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI:**

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*Kalisud inin mga layom na mga english. Anymore questions from the floor para ma-excuse na nato ato resource persons? Where will we use this ano, kanang ato madawat na bid sa 1.250? Ato isalpak sa mga magasto sa fiesta?*

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

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*No, Your Honor, it will be forming part of the General Fund as one of the extraordinary income of the city, revenue.*

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**HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI:**

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*Okay. Is there a provision here wherein it specifies what we will do with the existing vendors? We have here section 5 relocation for the Boulevard Night Market Vendors, I would read as follows: The occupants of the regular boulevard night market will be relocated at the place designated by the City Mayor by virtue of an Executive Order for the purpose from August 15, 2025 to September 15, 2025.*

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*Now, there was a letter forwarded to my office it was from the Office of the Vice Mayor. Does the Sanggunian Secretary has a copy?*

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**HON. ARNOLD A. GO / PRESIDING OFFICER:**

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*I think this is from the Night Market Vendors Association?*

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**HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI:**

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*Yes, Mr. Chairman. Ms. Secretary, can you please read the letter from their President.*

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

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*The Office of the Vice Mayor received a letter from Ms. Belinda S. Mojedo, the President of the Night Market Vendors Association, requesting for the approval of the specific relocation for their display stalls. The letter contains...*

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*Kami sa Night Market Vendor's Association of Boulevard Ukay-ukay, mohangyo nasab kami sa imo malumong kasing-kasing kuman umaabot na kapistahan na kung pwede didto rakan kami irelocate sa bisan asa ani na mga area;*

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*Metro Surigao to Dulong area*

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*Pick-me to Simtoco sa may Burgos St.*

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*Amat St. Dapi Mords likod nan Surigao City Police Station.*

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*Manghinaot kami na mahatagan pagtagad amo hangyo kuman kay ang sauna na pesta didto man kami tagbutang sa may Magallanes area apan arang gajud kalapok kung mag uyan. Ugsa mangamuyo kami sa imo sirs nga kung pwede diha ra kami sa area nga pagapilian ug hnaot na imo ma aprobahan.*

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*Salamat karajaw!*

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1483 *Hingpit na matinahuron,*  
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 1485 *Belinda S. Mojedo*  
 1486 *President*

1487 **Hon. Joshua Emilio S. Geli** raised concerns regarding the relocation site for night market  
 1488 vendors. He cited the association's letter requesting commendation and highlighted their refusal to  
 1489 return to Magallanes due to muddy conditions.

1490 **Atty. Lex Joshua U. Silvosa** (City Administrator) stated the proposed relocation is **Borromeo**  
 1491 **Street**, from Metro Surigao to Dolong, based on vendor suggestions. The Mayor will issue an  
 1492 **Executive Order** to close the streets nightly for vendor operations.

1493 **Hon. Noel P. Catre** pointed out **Section 5** of the ordinance lacks specific mention of Borromeo  
 1494 Street. Discussion revealed that the Executive Order is still being drafted and may later include the  
 1495 exact streets.

1496 **Atty. Jeffrey P. Galido** (City Budget Officer) agreed that it would be more effective to **amend**  
 1497 **Section 5** to include the specific location rather than relying solely on an Executive Order.

1498 **Hon. Baltazar C. Abian** inquired about the bidding schedule, to which Atty. Galido responded  
 1499 that it would be scheduled after the ordinance is passed, and before the target relocation date of August  
 1500 15.

1501 The **Hon. Joshua Emilio S. Geli** move for the reinstatement of the rules. **RULES WERE**  
 1502 **REINSTATED.**

1503 The **Hon. Joshua Emilio S. Geli** again stated the proposed amendments to the ordinance  
 1504 include the insertion of a new **Section 6**, leading to renumbering of the succeeding sections. **Revision**  
 1505 **of Section 6.5**, particularly: Paragraph 1 of Section 4 is also renumbered as Section 3. Paragraph 3  
 1506 of Section 4 to also be renumbered as Section 3.

1507 **Hon. Noel P. Catre** clarifies that the proposed amendment in Section 5 – Vendor Relocation  
 1508 -Vendors of the Boulevard Night Market shall be relocated from the corner fronting Metro Surigao to  
 1509 the corner of Roxas Street, along Borromeo Street, effective August 15, 2025 to September 15, 2025,  
 1510 only.

1511 The **Hon. Arnold A. Go**, Presiding Officer, noted and acknowledged the proposed relocation  
 1512 and amendments.

1513 After the lengthy discussion and there being no further discussions and amendments, the  
 1514 proponent presented a motion to approve the matter under second reading which was favorably  
 1515 seconded and approved. He, then moved to approve the same under third and final reading.  
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1517 On motion of **Honorable Joshua Emilio S. Geli**, jointly seconded by Honorable Karl Duane  
 1518 A. Casurra, Honorable Baltazar C. Abian and Honorable Joenil B. Aldonza, it was unanimously  
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1520 **RESOLVED:** That the following Ordinance, be as it is hereby enacted, to wit:  
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**ORDINANCE NO. 538**  
 Series of 2025

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING VENUE FOR 2025 TYANGGIHAN SA BOULEVARD AND CARNIVAL OPERATIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**WHEREAS**, the Fiesta of the City of Surigao is approaching;

**WHEREAS**, in connection with the Fiesta celebration of the City of Surigao, there is a need for recreational activities where its residents and their visitors can entertain themselves;

**WHEREAS**, the Fiesta celebration would also be an opportunity for enterprising individuals to vend their goods, wares, merchandise, foodstuff, commodities, or articles of commerce and in the process earn reasonably;

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative for the City Government to ensure the orderly conduct of such activities by establishing clear guidelines, safety protocols, and regulatory mechanisms to safeguard public welfare and promote a festive yet secure environment;

**WHEREAS**, Paragraphs (a), (c), and (d) of Section 21, Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, allow the temporary closure of any road, alley, park, or square during fiesta celebrations by virtue of an ordinance;

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 517, Series of 2024, was passed granting the City Mayor the authority to order the temporary closure of roads, alleys, parks, and squares, and for other related purposes;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, as it is hereby ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod, City of Surigao, in a session duly assembled that:

**SECTION 1. TIME AND DURATION.** The Tyanggihan sa Boulevard and carnival operations shall run from August 15, 2025, to September 15, 2025. Daily activities will commence at 6:00 PM and conclude at 12:00 midnight.

**SECTION 2. ACTIVITIES ALLOWED.**

**1. Trade and Commercial Activities**

- Sale of dry goods, clothing, accessories, and household items
- Sale of handicrafts and locally made products
- Sale of novelty items, toys, and souvenir goods
- Vending of food, snacks, refreshments, and beverages

**2. Recreational and Amusement Activities**

- Family-friendly carnival rides (e.g., carousel, Ferris wheel, horror train, Viking)
- Skill games and traditional fiesta amusements (e.g., ring toss, shooting gallery)
- Live performances or acoustic busking in designated areas
- Raffle draws, provided they have the necessary permit

**3. Other Permissible Activities**

- Face painting, temporary tattoos, and similar personal services
- Henna art and souvenir photo booths
- Flower and ornamental plant stalls
- Health and wellness booths (e.g., massage services, herbal products)

**Provided**, that all activities must comply with city ordinances, health and sanitation standards, and public safety regulations. Any activity deemed hazardous, indecent, or disruptive to public order shall be strictly prohibited.

**SECTION 3. FEES.** All tenants of the tyanggihan sa boulevard is required to secure and pay the following permits and fees before commencement of its operations:

**3.1 SPECIAL BUSINESS PERMIT.** Interested persons or traders must secure Special business Permits from the Business Permit and Licensing Office (BPLO) of this city. The Special Business Permits shall be issued unless the applicants are delinquent in the payment of their business and amusement taxes as a result of their business operation in the city. A Special Business Permit Fee in the amount of Five Hundred Pesos (Php 500.00) per stall shall be collected.

**3.2 BARANGAY CLEARANCE.** As a prerequisite for the issuance of the Special Business Permit, the applicants shall secure Barangay Clearances from Barangay Taft and pay the Barangay Clearance Fee of Five Hundred Pesos (Php 500.00) to the City Treasurer's Office. The amounts collected shall be remitted to the Barangay Treasurer of Taft.

**3.3 GARBAGE FEE.** Proper waste disposal shall be observed during the operation of the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard. Garbage fee in the amount of Five Hundred Pesos (Php 500.00) shall be collected by the City Treasurer's Office from each stall owner.

**3.4 SANITARY PERMIT FEE.** All stall owners within the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard is required to secure a sanitary permit in the amount of Five Hundred Pesos (Php 500.00) and attend the orientation on health and sanitary conducted by the City Health Office – Sanitary Division.

**3.5 PAYMENT OF FEES.** Before the stall owner or operator is allowed to commence its operations, he shall be required to pay the fees for barangay clearance, special business permit, garbage collection fee, and sanitary permit fee, as stated above.

**SECTION 4. SET-UP.** Each stall shall measure three (3) meters by three (3) meters, with a total area of nine (9) square meters, and shall be provided by the designated Tyanggihan sa Boulevard Operator. The total number of stalls to be installed shall not exceed two hundred (200) units.

The designation of the area of operation, as well as the arrangement and set-up of stalls, shall be subject to the recommendation and approval of the Local Government Unit of Surigao City. For purposes of organization and crowd flow, stalls selling food, snacks, and refreshments shall be positioned facing the seawall area, while stalls offering dry goods and other merchandise or services shall be situated on the opposite side.

**SECTION 5. RELOCATION FOR BOULEVARD NIGHT MARKET VENDORS.** The occupants of the regular Boulevard Night Market shall be temporarily relocated to the designated site along Borromeo Street, from the corner of Rizal Street fronting Metro Surigao up to the corner of Roxas Street, by virtue of an Executive Order issued by the City Mayor for this purpose. This relocation shall take effect from August 15, 2025, until September 15, 2025.

**SECTION 6. TYANGGIHAN SA BOULEVARD AND CARNIVAL OPERATION.** There shall be only one (1) authorized operator for the Carnival and one (1) separate authorized operator for the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard. The awarding of operational rights for both the Carnival and the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard shall be conducted through a public bidding process.

Prior to the formal awarding of the operation to the winning bidder, the full amount of the accepted bid must be paid in full, in accordance with the terms and conditions set by the City.

Once awarded, the designated operator shall not be permitted to sublease, assign, or transfer, in whole or in part, the rights and responsibilities related to the operation of the Tyanggihan or Carnival to any other party.

Bidders for the Carnival Operation shall show proof that they have been operating a carnival for at least five (5) years, and offering wholesome variety entertainments rides such as but not limited to horror train, viking, octopus, aladdin, flying bee, carousel, ferries wheel and the like.

In the event of two (2) or more bidders shall submit the same bid offers, among which is a resident of Surigao City as attested to by the proper Barangay official and/ or the City Social Welfare and Development Office, preference shall be given to the bidder who is a resident of Surigao City.

6.1 To ensure transparency, efficiency, and accountability in the awarding process, an **Award Committee** shall be duly constituted. The Committee shall be composed of the following officials:

- 6.1.1 The City Administrator, who shall serve as Chairperson;
- 6.1.2 The City Legal Officer, who shall serve as Co-chairperson;
- 6.1.3 The City Treasurer or his duly authorized representative – Member;
- 6.1.4 The City Engineer or his duly authorized representative – Member;
- 6.1.5 The City General Services Officer or his duly authorized representative – Member;
- 6.1.6 The Chairperson of the Committee on Ways and Means, Sangguniang Panlungsod – Member; and
- 6.1.7 The Chairperson of the Committee on Trade, Business, Industry, and Economic Enterprise, Sangguniang Panlungsod – Member.

Decisions of the Award Committee shall be reached by **majority vote of all its members**.

6.2 A Day after the approval of this Ordinance, the Award Committee shall cause to be announced over at least two radio stations the conduct of the bidding the day after. Submission of bids to the office of the chairman shall be until three o'clock (3:00) in the afternoon of the day set for the bidding.

6.3 The minimum bid:

- 6.3.1 For the Carnival Operation - Four Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php 300,000.00); and
- 6.3.2 For the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard – One Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php 1,250,000.00)

6.4 The safety of the riders is the primary concern of the carnival operator. Prior to the commencement of the carnival operations, a certificate must be procured by the operator from the City Engineering Office - Motorpool Division, certifying that all their rides are safe for the riding public. In addition to the compliance of the safety standards set forth for the operation of carnivals, operators are likewise required to provide accident insurance against any injury or damage that may be caused by its operations during the entire actual operation to cover each rider, the insurance certificate of which must be presented during the date of the bidding.

6.5 The Carnival Operator and the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard Operator, as the duly designated operator and stall lessor respectively, shall each be required to pay the Special Business Permit Fee and Barangay Clearance Fee in the amounts prescribed under Section 3 of this Ordinance. Both operators shall also be responsible for the installation, maintenance, and payment of their respective electrical and water utility connections and consumption charges.

Furthermore, a fixed Garbage Fee in the amount of Twenty Thousand Pesos (P20,000.00) shall be imposed on the Carnival Operator and must be paid in full prior to the commencement of operations.

In addition, stall tenants operating within the Tyanggihan sa Boulevard shall be individually responsible for the payment of all applicable fees enumerated under Section 3 of this Ordinance, including but not limited to the Special Business Permit Fee, Barangay Clearance Fee, Garbage Fee, and Sanitary Permit Fee.



**SECTION 7. SUSPENSION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.** The implementation of Ordinance No. 516, Series of 2024, establishing the "Night Market at the City Boulevard..." and all other ordinances and resolutions inconsistent with the provisions hereof shall be suspended for the duration of the tyanggihan sa boulevard and carnival operations as herein fixed.

**SECTION 8. SPECIAL TASK FORCE.** To properly implement the provisions of this Ordinance and enforce relevant laws and ordinances, a Special Task Force is hereby created to be headed by the City Administrator with the following as members: City Treasurer, City Tourism Officer, City General Services Officer, City Engineer, CSU Chief, Sanitary Inspector, City Traffic Administrator, Chief of City PNP, and Punong Barangay of Barangay Taft.

**SECTION 9. PROHIBITIONS.** The following are prohibited: a) The construction of stalls prior to the awarding of the operations to the winning bidder and payment of fees; b) Taking a bath, urinating, defecating and other analogous activities within the tyanggihan sa boulevard premises; c) encroachment to areas not covered in the awarded space; and d) construction of extensions to tents.

**SECTION 10. PENAL CLAUSE.** Any person who violates this ordinance shall be subject to Summary ejection from the area occupied in the case of stall owners.

**SECTION 11. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** Should any provision of this Ordinance be subsequently declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions not so declared shall remain in force and effect.

**SECTION 12. REPEALING CLAUSE.** Ordinance No. 478, Series of 2023 and Ordinance No. 524, Series of 2024 is hereby deemed repealed, as well as other ordinances, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are in conflict with or contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are also hereby deemed repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 13. EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.  
**Enacted on July 31, 2025.**

**AUTHORED/SPONSORED BY: HON. JOSHUA EMILIO S. GELI**  
Chairman, Committee on Ways and Means

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- Indorsement from the City Mayor, denominated as URGENT requesting the City Council to pass a resolution authorizing the City Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) relative to the renewal of the Salary Loan Facility Accreditation Agreement of the City Government of Surigao.

The Honorable Noel P. Catre was recognized.

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*Yes Mr. Chair. We are in receipt of the request for a resolution by the Honorable City Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement. Attached to the letter, requesting for authority to enter into MOA with DBP are the following: Proposed Memorandum of Agreement and special power of attorney, general terms and condition or the salary loan program. Yes, that's all.*

*So my first question is address to the City Administrator as well as the Manager of the Development Bank of the Philippines. Is the attached proposed Memorandum of Agreement, the same Memorandum of Agreement that was previously signed by City Government of Surigao?*

**MS. JESELYN A. REJUSO/ DBP SURIGAO BRANCH MANAGER:**

*Good afternoon, Sir. The attached MOA to the that letter that we sent to the Office of the City Mayor is the same as to one previously signed 3 years ago.*

Ms. Rejuso added that no changes made to the MOA except for the names of the signatories. This prompted Hon. Noel P. Catre to inquire further about the history and details of the agreement.

Ms. Rejuso shared that while she only assumed office last July, she believes the City Government has been participating in DBP's salary loan program for quite some time now. She noted that the current MOA has been in effect for about two years and eight months and is set to expire on September 22, 2025. Hon. Catre, however, pointed out that based on the letter from the City Legal Officer, the expiration date is actually September 23, 2025. Ms. Rejuso acknowledged the correction.

The discussion then turned to the mechanics of loan availment. Hon. Catre asked whether a city employee is required to open an account with DBP to access the loan facility. Ms. Rejuso explained that although the bank has an existing circular requiring clients to open an account when transacting, this has not been strictly implemented in the case of the City Government employees. She noted that accommodations have been made, considering that the employees' payroll is not coursed through DBP, and as such, they are still allowed to avail of the loan without opening an account.

Hon. Catre asked what documents are required from city employees who wish to apply for a loan. Ms. Rejuso enumerated the needed requirements: a service record, certification of net home pay, the last three months' payslips, valid identification documents, and a duly accomplished loan application form.

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*Very good, identification documents. So do you honor for instance a Senior Citizen Card ID?*

**MS. JESELYN A. REJUSO/ DBP SURIGAO BRANCH MANAGER:**

*Sir?*

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*Do you honor a Senior Citizen Card? He is not retireable, yet. He is 60 years old, but has Senior Citizen Card. Do you honor that?*

**MS. JESELYN A. REJUSO/ DBP SURIGAO BRANCH MANAGER:**

*Yes, Sir.*

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*I'll show an example of the Senior Citizen Card. Would this suffice?*

**MS. JESELYN A. REJUSO/ DBP SURIGAO BRANCH MANAGER:**

*Actually Sir these are photocopies? Are these photocopies? Is this a photocopy?*

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

1796 *Photocopy yes. Would that be sufficient for you to identify a city employee who is interested*  
 1797 *to...*

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 1799 **MS. JESELYN A. REJUSO/ DBP SURIGAO BRANCH MANAGER:**  
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1801 *What's usually requested Sir is a photocopy and then with the original ID to be presented*  
 1802 *along with the. . .*

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 1804 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**  
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1806 *Supposed I am the one applying for a loan. And I go to your bank. I filled up the form and*  
 1807 *presented that as my proof of identification as a city employee. Would that be sufficient?*

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 1809 *Ms. Rejuso confirmed that such a card is honored by the bank.*  
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1811 *Hon. Catre then showed a sample photocopy of a Senior Citizen ID and asked if a photocopy*  
 1812 *would suffice as proof of identity. Ms. Rejuso clarified that while a photocopy may be submitted, it*  
 1813 *should be accompanied by the presentation of the original ID for verification purposes. The practice,*  
 1814 *she said, is to match the photocopy with the original document during submission.*

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 1816 *To clarify further, Hon. Catre presented a more specific example, asking if he himself were to*  
 1817 *apply for a loan using only the photocopy of his ID and his filled-out application form, would that be*  
 1818 *acceptable? Ms. Rejuso replied affirmatively, noting that in his case, she has personal knowledge of*  
 1819 *his identity, being her former professor in Negotiable Instruments Law.*

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 1821 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**  
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1823 *But what if you do not know the employee? But he is personally present. But what she brought*  
 1824 *with her or with him is a photocopy of her face.*

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 1826 **MS. JESELYN A. REJUSO/ DBP SURIGAO BRANCH MANAGER:**  
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1828 *Yes, along with the other documents like application forms for the salary loans and*  
 1829 *certification submitted I can verify the signatures.*

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 1831 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**  
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1833 *With this photocopy and my personal appearance would it not be sufficient? My personal*  
 1834 *presence. Is it sufficient?*

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 1836 **MS. JESELYN A. REJUSO/ DBP SURIGAO BRANCH MANAGER:**  
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1838 *Yes Sir.*

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 1840 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**  
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1842 *Is it true if I will encash a cheque?*

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 1844 **MS. JESELYN A. REJUSO/ DBP SURIGAO BRANCH MANAGER:**  
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1846 *Yes Sir, because I have personal knowledge.*

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 1848 **HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**  
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*I brought this matter to you, the Madam Manager, because 2 weeks ago I went to your bank to encash my cheque. I was excited to encash that cheque, because that was my first salary from the City Government of Surigao. So, I decided to do the encashment personally. I thought that I will dignify the issuance of the cheque by going to your bank personally. But do you know what happened when I presented the cheque? Together with my IDs which I showed to you. Did not your employees tell you? Yeah, because this is a matter of importance to you vis-à-vis your KYC requirements. And of course the use of common sense. I was refused, because I was told that my ID is not sufficient. Despite the fact that I was there, personally present. What could be the better proof that I am the with my physical presence. Instead of requiring me to produce the original of my ID. Where is common sense there?*

**MS. JESELYN A. REJUSO/ DBP SURIGAO BRANCH MANAGER:**

*Sir, in that regard, I would like to publicly apologized for what happened to you and had I been there 2 weeks ago that would not have happened. Because personally as you enter the doors, I would really greet you and bring you to my office.*

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*There's no need for you to apologized, because you were not the one involved. What made the matter worse Madam Manager is that. I asked everyone present in that bank that week. If there was anyone of them who knew me personally. And luckily for me, Myka Geraldino, an accountant and who was also my student in the College of Law, and who recently graduated from the College of Law, identified me. And she was in front of the Teller. Telling the Teller that I know him to be that Atty. Noel, he even included my middle name, Plaza, Catre. He is my professor. He is a former Vice Governor. He is a former City Councilor and a newly elected Councilor. That was what Ms. Geraldino said in reality. But your Teller told me, this is a bank. So that's it. I have to say thank you for entertaining me. I went out without being able to encash the cheque. I mean brought this matter to you, because if that can be done by a Teller to a Lawyer. I will not be surprise if an ordinary individual will suffer the same fate.*

Towards the end of the discussion, Ms. Jeselyn A. Rejuso, DBP Surigao Branch Manager, apologized on behalf of her office and requested permission to investigate a certain matter further. Hon. Noel P. Catre agreed and asked her to proceed, with Ms. Rejuso assuring that any findings would be referred to the Council.

Hon. Catre then clarified that he had no objections to the proposed MOA and, in fact, had already prepared a resolution recommending its approval.

As the discussion continued, Hon. Noel P. Catre also raised a concern involving his son, Board Member Noel Christian Catre, who experienced difficulty opening an account with DBP despite complying with all requirements. He shared that the process became unnecessarily burdensome and humiliating, causing frustration.

Ms. Jeselyn A. Rejuso, DBP Surigao Branch Manager, apologized and assured the Council that she would investigate the matter. Acting Presiding Officer Hon. Arnold A. Go agreed with Hon. Catre and recommended retraining DBP personnel to avoid similar issues in the future.

**HON. ARNOLD A. GO/ ACTING PRESIDING OFFICER:**

*Thank you. Is there any questions, clarifications from the floor?*

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*If there is none, your Honor, then we would like to thank the resource persons for (inaudible) in the name of public service. And I move for the reinstatement of the rules.*

**HON. ARNOLD A. GO/ ACTING PRESIDING OFFICER:**

*Thank you, you are all excused. Salamat.*

**HON. NOEL P. CATRE:**

*If there are no question your Honor. I'm considering that this Memorandum of Agreement has been in effect more than 3 years ago.*

**RULES ARE REINSTATED.** Honorable Catre then presented a motion which was favorably seconded and approved, to wit:

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**RESOLUTION NO. 147 – 2025**

**A RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE HONORABLE CITY MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE DEVELOPMENT BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES, SURIGAO CITY BRANCH, FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE SALARY LOAN ACCREDITATION AGREEMENT TO ENABLE CITY EMPLOYEES TO CONTINUE AVAILING OF THE DBP SALARY LOAN FACILITY.**

**WHEREAS**, the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP), Surigao City Branch, offers a Salary Loan Facility to qualified employees of the City Government of Surigao;

**WHEREAS**, the existing Salary Loan Accreditation Agreement between the City Government and DBP is due to expire on September 23, 2025, and needs renewal it being beneficial to both parties.

**WHEREAS**, the renewal of said agreement will ensure the continued availability of salary loan services to qualified City Government employees, thereby providing them with accessible and affordable financial assistance.

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to authorize the Honorable City Mayor to enter into and sign the Memorandum of Agreement with DBP, Surigao City Branch, for and on behalf of the City Government of Surigao.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I respectfully move to authorize the Honorable City Mayor to enter into and sign the Memorandum of Agreement with DBP, Surigao City Branch, for the renewal of the salary loan accreditation agreement to allow qualified City Government employees to continue availing of the DBP Salary Loan Facility.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished the Honorable City Mayor and the Development Bank of the Philippines, Surigao City Branch, for their information and appropriate action.

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Honorable Casurra was recognized.

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

*Thank you Mr. Chair. I will just read my speech in my seat, Mr. Chair.*

*Mr. Presiding Officer, esteemed colleagues of this august body, marajaw na hapon sa tanan. I take this is the opportunity on a matter of urgency and public concern. A matter that demands an attention, immediate action and collective will as representative of the people.*

*In the past 4 months our city has suffered the tragic loss of 2 lives, both due to separate drowning incidents. One took place in a private school swimming pool, the other occurred along a public beach. Which remains under the jurisdiction of the Barangay Local Government. These were not merely accidents. These were preventable tragedies. The pain and loss experienced by the families of this victims cannot be overstated. However, as leaders it is not enough us to offer sympathies.*

**HON. ARNOLD A. GO/ ACTING PRESIDING OFFICER:**

*Excuse me, Honorable Casurra. Would you please use the podium?*

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

*We will use the podium, Mr. Chair?*

**HON. ARNOLD A. GO/ ACTING PRESIDING OFFICER:**

*Yes.*

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

*I'm comfortable reading my speech, Mr. Chair.*

**HON. ARNOLD A. GO/ ACTING PRESIDING OFFICER:**

*Thank you Honorable Casurra, sorry.*

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

*Thank you Mr. Chair, thank you. The pain and loss experienced by the families of these victims cannot be overstated. However, as leaders it is not enough for us to offer sympathies. We must respond with solutions. These incidents highlight glaring gap in our existing safety policies that if left unaddressed leave more lives at risk. We already have an ordinance that mandates the deployment of lifeguards in resort and establishments operating public pools. But this protection does not extend to the public beaches in our coastal barangay areas. These barangay areas frequented not only by our constituents, but also by tourist and visitors. Especially during the summer months.*

*These public beaches, because they are public land, fall under the jurisdiction of local barangays. Yet, the absence of a unified policy requiring safety measures like lifeguards, rescue equipment, and basic emergency signage puts everyone at risk. I will be filing an ordinance that seeks*

to require the training for lifeguards and basic life support, deployment of lifeguards, safety volunteers, signage for the public beaches, and proper rescue equipment in all designated public beach areas within our city, in coordination with the concerned barangay local government units and relevant local agencies. This is a collaborative effort and must not only be on the LGU but also on the Barangay level. We must institutionalize safety and preparedness not only in the Local Government Unit but also in the Barangay as well and other volunteer groups that would like to be part of this endeavor.

Further, I believe prevention and preparedness must go hand-in-hand. This is why I am also sponsoring another ordinance, this time for our education sector, to adopt and localize the Republic Act 10871, also known as the Basic Life Support Training in Schools Act. This law mandates both public and private schools to integrate Basic Life Support or BLS training into the curriculum for students and personnel alike. And I believe the Department of Education in Surigao City Division is already implementing this, but we will also reinforce it on a localized manner.

We train our learners and teachers to respond to earthquakes and fires through drills and simulations, and rightly so. But how many of our children, how many of our teachers know how to respond when someone collapses in front of them, when someone is drowning, when seconds could mean the difference between life and death? It is time we empower our communities, not just with knowledge but with life-saving skills. The adoption of RA 10871 will not only fulfill our compliance with the national law, but it will also instill a culture of preparedness, compassion, and proactive citizenship among our students and educators. This is not about adding new layers of bureaucracy. This is about saving lives. This is about ensuring that no family will have to endure the pain of losing a child, a parent or a friend, because there was no lifeguard, or because no one knew what to do in an emergency. Let this recent tragedy steer us into action so that our ordinances will not simply be reactions, but meaningful protections. Let us act on this while we still can.

Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer, and thank you to my dear colleagues.

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## OTHER MATTERS

Honorable Aldonza was recognized.

**HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

Again, Mr. Chairman, good afternoon. This is for the other matters. An incident happened dated July 20, 2025. If I am not mistaken, around 8:00 to 9:00 AM which was located in front of the Gaisano Mall, one of my personnel was apprehended by our city traffic officer for a violation of a modified muffler. Since I was on my way to the event at the firing range, I took time to visit the said area and asked one of the traffic enforcers what actually happened. And he answered me this, "Kagawad, good morning, gidakop namo kay kusog ang tingog ng Muffler". As a violation, I told them to do their job and just have it impounded and have him pay for whatever penalties incurred. Mr. Chairman, I have presently invited our LTO Chief here to clarify the said law about modified mufflers. Mr. Chairman, may I move for the suspension of the rules? We have also here our head of our Land Transportation Office, just to clarify to the public, what is muffler law?

**RULES WERE SUSPENDED** to allow the resource person to enlighten the body with regard the matter at hand. While the material to be presented is being prepared, Honorable Casurra moved for a 5-minute **RECESS**. Thereafter, the session **RESUMED**. The resource person was recognized.

**ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

2068 *Muffler Act of 2016. Prohibiting the use of motor vehicle without muffler or those that are*  
 2069 *defective and have been modified, which increase the sound emitted by motor vehicles, penalizing*  
 2070 *owner and drivers that contribute the noise pollution in the environment. E-cut short ko na lang ang*  
 2071 *kuan kay tungod sa kataas niya.*

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2073 **HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

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2075 *Yes, go ahead. Sir,*

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2077 **HON. ARNOLD A. GO/PRESIDING OFFICER:**

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2079 *Sir, pwede lang po kayo umupo Sir. Pwede ra.*

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2081 **ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

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2083 *Okay. Thank you.*

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2085 **HON. ARNOLD A. GO/PRESIDING OFFICER:**

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2087 *Thank you.*

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2089 **HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

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2091 *Engr. del Carmen, as an act, the act is... Modified, which increase the sound emitted by*  
 2092 *motorcycle, by motorcycles. So, meaning, we have a limitation of sounds.*

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2094 **ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

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2100 *How many, can you elaborate how many decibels that is measured on an engine for a*  
 2101 *motorcycle to be penalized?*

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2103 **ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

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2105 *Establish a noise limit to 70 decibels.*

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2107 **HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

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2109 *70 decibels.*

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2111 **ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

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2113 *Decibels, yes.*

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2115 **HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

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2117 *Okay. Considering how will we could measure the level of sound?*

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2119 **ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

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2121 *The...How to measure the sound, there is some gadgets to measure the sound. I think not*  
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2124 **HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

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2126 *Sound level meter?*

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2128 **ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

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2132 **HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

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2134 *And the tachometer.*

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2136 **ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

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2142 *Excuse me, engineer, do we have instruments for that?*

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2144 **ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

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2152 **ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

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2160 **ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

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2162 *Wala sab, wala mi ana.*

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2165 As the discussion progressed, Hon. Arnold A. Go inquired how to determine whether a  
 2166 motorcycle muffler exceeds acceptable noise levels and becomes a public disturbance. Engineer  
 2167 Manuel Del Carmen of the Land Transportation Office (LTO) explained that all motorcycles are  
 2168 manufactured with standard, company-designed mufflers that meet legal noise limits. Any modification  
 2169 to these stock mufflers typically exceeds the decibel threshold and contributes to noise pollution, thus  
 2170 constituting a violation.

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2172 Hon. Karl Duane A. Casurra asked if replacing a muffler with a differently designed but  
 2173 compatible unit would still be allowed. Engr. Del Carmen replied that it depends on the design—if it  
 2174 meets the standard noise levels, it may be acceptable. However, most modified mufflers in the market  
 2175 do not comply, especially those with removed silencers.

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2177 Hon. Casurra clarified that the concern is specifically about modified mufflers, to which Engr.  
2178 Del Carmen confirmed that such types, especially those sold in the aftermarket, are generally  
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2181 Hon. Joenil B. Aldonza added that, based on LTO standards, motorcycle exhaust noise should  
2182 not exceed 99 decibels, measured at an engine speed of 2,000 to 2,500 RPM. Engr. Del Carmen  
2183 responded by noting that this standard may apply to big bikes.

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2185 **HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

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2187 *Ah no, engine of 200cc and below. So, Mr. Chairman, I open this for the public to know, na*  
2188 *ang pangutana, ang tubag diay sa giingon "gidakop namo kay kusog an tingog na muffler". This, Mr.*  
2189 *Chairman, may I request to refer this to the Committee on Transportation and a City Legal to have,*  
2190 *one, a proposed local ordinance with the maximum limit of 90 decibel sound for a motorcycle with an*  
2191 *engine of 200cc and below within the premises of the city. Makatulog na na ang mga tigulang.*

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2193 **ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

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2195 *Okay.*

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2197 **HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

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2199 *And the other hand, the second is a proposed resolution to purchase a sound level meter and*  
2200 *a tachometer for the use of our city traffic management office in the purpose to measure sound and*  
2201 *speed. Dili na lang puro fact, dili na lang puro tag-an2x. That's all, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Engineer*  
2202 *Manuel Del Carmen, for the enlightening us what is muffler law.*

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2204 Before Engr. Del Carmen was excused, Honorable Abian was recognized.

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2206 **HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

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2208 *One question, Engr. Sa nahitabo sa kan Kagawad Aldonza, omay basis nan nag apprehend*  
2209 *sa ija na ni exceed siya nan 70 decimeter?*

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2211 **HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

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2215 **HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

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2219 **HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

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2221 *Yes, Kagawad Abian.*

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2223 **HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

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2225 *An ako jaon kun amo baja ato basis, dapat jaoy ila ga jud ekwipo na pag determine nan jaon*  
2226 *kay kun below jaon nan 70, it's an illegal, dili ton puwede huh? Kay ako gani makita man jaon sa mga*  
2227 *TV na jaoy dakpon na highway patrol, paligsan pa nan mga mga kuan pison, uno to na mga kuan...*  
2228 *Pero waya ta makahibayo adto kun nag exceed ba. An ato diri sa Surigao, jaon bay ato ekwipo jaon.*  
2229 *Basin na kun mo apprehend ka nan jaon na nagbase sa jadton imo equipment.*

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2231 **ENGINEER MANUEL DEL CARMEN/LTO:**

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2235 **HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

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*Jaoy ato, pero way kuman diri sa Surigao? Na sa ato pa, dili na puwede sila mo conduct nang jaon pareha jaon kuan.*

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**HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

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*Kagawad Abian, that's why I am having this to open in the public for the proposed resolution to purchase a sound level meter and tachometer for the use of our city traffic management office in the purpose of measure sound and speed.*

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**HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

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**HON. JOENIL B. ALDONZA:**

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*Para puwede ta ka dakop nan tinuod na moingon, ni exceed nan number of decibels.*

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*Honorable Abian was recognized.*

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**HON. BALTAZAR C. ABIAN:**

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*Good afternoon, everyone. May I request to show the map area with low and to no signal. Okay. Mr. Chair, the representative of Unity Digital Infrastructure Incorporated made a courtesy call to Acting Mayor Alfonso S. Casurra this morning and informed that the Surigao City is one of the priority areas upon cell-sites towers are being installed to vastly improve connectivity of mobile phones. Under the present agreements, cell towers are now to be established by service providers and the major telecommunication companies will just enter into agreement with them to install their transmitters, receivers, antennas, and other electronic equipment necessary for signal and reception. Upon completion of site, the Globe, Smart, and Dito, the Unity Digital Incorporated is the installer, they construct the three-legged type tower for this proposed project to provide telecommunications. They only want to have a resolution to pass by this body. This is a timely need, Mr. Chair, that I am sponsoring this following resolution.*

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*May I read, Mr. Chair?*

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*After reading, Honorable Abian then presented a motion which was favorably seconded and approved, to wit:*

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**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE MANAGEMENT OF GLOBE, SMART AND DITO TELECOMMUNICATIONS TO PRIORITIZE SOME BARANGAYS OF THE CITY OF SURIGAO IN THE SELECTION OF ADDITIONAL CELL SITES WHICH TO PRESENT DATE ARE EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTY IN SIGNAL AND TRANSMISSION CONNECTIONS"**

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Unit of Surigao has been duly informed that network operators are now being mandated by law to establish additional cell sites through a digital infrastructure arrangement agreement in areas which to present date are experiencing difficulty in mobile phone connections;

**WHEREAS**, in Surigao City alone, the whole of the 21 island barangays; in Brgys. Cabongbongan, Nabago, Capalayan, Mapawa, Orok, Day-asan and Silop, the Arellano District; Brgy. Danao and Mabua in the West District; Brgys. Sukailang and Anomar in the Highway District; and Brgy. Mabini, Mat-i in the Middle East District have to date been experiencing difficulty in mobile phone connections;

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlungsod earnestly request the management of GLOBE, SMART and DITO Telecommunications Company to include in the selection of additional cell sites the above mentioned barangays to enable wireless communications in these areas to be improved in making calls, text and access date services;

**NOW THEREFORE**, upon motion of Honorable Baltazar C. Abian, jointly seconded by Honorable Joenil B. Aldonza, Honorable Karl Duane A. Casurra and Honorable Perfecto B. Consigo, it was unanimously

**BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** to earnestly request the management of GLOBE, SMART and DITO Telecommunications companies to prioritize in the selection of additional site the above mentioned barangays of Surigao City, in order that mobile phone transmission and reception will greatly improve and realized.

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that this Resolution be furnished the above named telecommunications companies for their information and immediate action and consideration.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no matters discussed, the 27<sup>th</sup> Regular Session was adjourned at 4:22 o'clock in the afternoon of July 31, 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**

**HON. PERFECTO B. CONSIGO:**

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

Thank you Lord, for honoring us with your holy presence and decision that we had this afternoon. As we leave in the session hall, continue to shower us with Your divine guidance and protection.

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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.

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**ATTESTED BY:**

**ARNOLD A. GO**  
City Councilor  
Presiding Officer