REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD LUNGSOD NG ORMOC

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE ELEVENTH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG ORMOC HELD AT THE HONORABLE PLACIDO ENECIO HALL, SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD BUILDING ON JANUARY 10, 2008

GANGGUNIANG PANI ENTH DATE: WHITE BY: WULL CINGSOD NG OR: NO

PRESENT:

Hon. Sotero M. Pepito, Temporary Presiding Officer. City Councilor, Assist. Floor Leader Hon. Claudio P. Larrazabal, City Councilor, Floor Leader Hon. Demosthenes F. Tugonon, City Councilor Hon. Ruben R. Capahi, City Councilor Hon. Mariano Y. Corro, City Councilor Hon. Fe S. Lladoc, City Councilor Hon. Filomeno P. Maglasang, City Councilor Hon. Rafael C. Omega, Jr., City Councilor Hon. Fernando P. Parrilla, City Councilor Hon. Jose C. Alfaro, Jr., City Councilor Hon. Lea Doris C. Villar, Ex-Officio City Councilor, Chapter President, Liga ng mga Barangay ng Ormec Hon. Corinne M. Corro, Ex-Officio City Councilor, SK Federation President

. ABSENT:

Hon. Nepomuceno P. Aparis I,

(Acting City Mayor), Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-003

A RESOLUTION STRONGLY INTERPOSING OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATIONS OF BARANGAY MATLANG WATER CONSUMERS' ASSOCIATION, and the NEW VENTURES REALTY CORP. TO DRILL AND EXTRACT WATER FROM BARANGAYS LINAO AND SALVACION, ALL IN ORMOC CITY FOR REASONS THAT THIS WILL GREATLY AFFECT THE ECOLOGICAL BALANCE AND THE AQUIFER/WATER TABLE OF DRMCC.

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Ormoc City received a notice of applications of BRGY. MATLANG WATER CONSUMERS' ASSOCIATION and the NEW VENTURES REALTY CORP. to extract water from Brgys. Linao, and Salvacion, all in Ormoc City;

WHEREAS, at present LMC is extracting water from the vicinity of Salvacion and Sto. Niño all in Ormoc City with a volume of 383 lps more or less;

WHEREAS, the study made by consultants indicated a strong possibility of over extraction of the Ormoc aquifer/water table;

WHEREAS, the said over extraction may have a telling environmental degrading effect on the aquifer and the surrounding area;

WHEREAS, the same over extraction may cause subsidence of the land and may cause saltwater/saline intrusion in the aquifer of Ormoc (The effect of this intrusion is irreversible);

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WHEREAS, in as much as Ormoc City is a growing community the demand for water is also increasing and this extraction will greatly prejudice the growing water needs of the populace of the city;

WHEREAS, Local Government Code provides that "xxx Within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecology, xxx and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants;

WHEREAS, all of the above considered and based on the provision of the General Welfare clause this Council deem it proper and appropriate to pass a resolution strongly objecting to the said applications;

NOW THEREFORE, on mass motion of the Body; be it

RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to pass a resolution STRONGLY INTERPOSING OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATIONS OF BARANGAY MATLANG WATER CONSUMERS' ASSOCIATION, and the NEW VENTURES REALLY CORP. TO DRILL AND EXTRACT WATER FROM BARANGAYS LINAO AND SALVACION, ALL IN ORMOC CITY FOR REASONS THAT THIS WILL GREATLY AFFECT THE ECOLOGICAL BALANCE AND THE AQUIFER/WATER TABLE OF ORMOC;

ADOPTED, January 10, 2008.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to furnish copies of this resolution each to His Honor, the City Mayor, the Chief Water Right Division, National Water Resources Board, Atty. Elenito M. Bagalihag, the Regional Director, EMB-DENR, Region 8, and other concerned, -all in Ormoc City;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

MARIA AN ONIETA G. CO HAT

(Supervising Administrative Officer)

ATTESTED:

SOTERO M. PEPITO Temporary Presiding Officer (City Councilor)