

REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS  
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD  
LUNGSOD NG ORMOC



EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
FOURTEENTH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG ORMOC HELD  
AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL,  
ORMOC CITY HALL BUILDING  
ON NOVEMBER 22, 2018

PRESENT:

Benjamin S. Pongos, Jr.,	(Temporary Presiding Officer), SP Member
Mario M. Rodriguez,	SP Member, Presiding Officer "Pro-Tempore"
Tomas R. Serafica,	(Acting City Vice Mayor), SP Member, Asst. Majority Floor Leader
Eusebio Gerardo S. Penserga,	SP Member
Gregorio G. Yrastorza III,	SP Member
Nolito M. Quilang,	SP Member
John Eulalio Nepomuceno O. Aparis II,	SP Member
Esteban V. Laurente,	Minority Floor Leader Ex-Officio SP Member, Chapter President, Liga ng mga Barangay ng Ormoc

ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

Vincent L. Rama,	(Acting City Mayor), SP Member, Majority Floor Leader
Lea Doris C. Villar,	(O.B. - Bacolod City), SP Member, Asst. Minority Floor Leader
Jasper C. Yerro,	(O.B. - Baguio City), Ex-Officio SP Member, Chapter President, Panlungsod Federasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan ng Ormoc

ON LEAVE:

Leo Carmelo L. Locsin, Jr.	City Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer
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**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-295**

**A RESOLUTION INTERPOSING NO OBJECTION TO THE  
LEYTE GEOTHERMAL POWER PROJECT OF THE  
ENERGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC)  
PROVIDED THAT ALL ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATING  
MEASURES MANDATED TO BE COMPLIED WITH IN  
THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE  
(ECC), ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA),  
DENR AND OTHER CONCERNED GOVERNMENT  
AGENCIES MEMORANDUM CIRCULARS, LAWS AND  
REGULATIONS ARE STRICTLY FOLLOWED.**

WHEREAS, the 14<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlungsod was in receipt of an Indorsement (2nd Indorsement) from the Office of the City Mayor dated October 25, 2018, requesting therein for the passage of a necessary resolution relative to the request of Mr. Erwin B. Magallanes of the Energy Development Corporation (EDC) with subject: "Endorsement of Geothermal Project";

WHEREAS, this is in compliance with the updated and latest requirements of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) in relation to the issued amended Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) for the Leyte Geothermal Power Project of the Energy Development Corporation (EDC) located in Ormoc City and the Municipalities of Kananga, Jaro, Capoocan and Carigara in the Province of Leyte;



WHEREAS, in as early in 1970's the Leyte Geothermal Power Project has already been established to address the severe power crises due to the deteriorating conditions of the existing power generating facilities especially the oil-fueled power generators in the country;

WHEREAS, part of the Leyte Geothermal Power Project is located within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Ormoc;

WHEREAS, the Project, originally undertaken by the Philippine National Oil Company - Energy Development Corporation (PNOC-EDC), as it easily gained acceptance by the local residents, has become part of the lives of the people, and subsequently became partner of the local government in generating employment and livelihood opportunities, the provisions of community assistance programs, infrastructure projects and the protection of the natural resources;

WHEREAS, the former similar project known as the Leyte Geothermal Power Complex, which the power plants and facilities are under the ownership of Energy Development Corporation (EDC), being the steward of the natural resources found therein, becomes the banner of pride of the local government administration since then until now, as it is dubbed as the world's largest geothermal complex and the first to have mastered wet steam technology;

WHEREAS, the Energy Development Corporation (EDC) has never departed the norms its predecessors had established, yet has much improved its relationship to the people and the government by intensifying its corporate social responsibility, where lots and lots of people have been benefited in terms of livelihood assistance program, environmental protection program, education, health programs, provisions of school buildings and facilities, infrastructure projects and its quick response and rescue to the communities in time of distress and calamities;

WHEREAS, as the City Government of Ormoc is profoundly grateful to the Energy Development Corporation (EDC), it expresses its continued support to the operation and management of said company;

WHEREAS, after careful review on the matter, this 14<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlungsod interposes no objection to the Leyte Geothermal Power Project of the Energy Development Corporation (EDC) and finds that it is not contrary to law, public policy, public morals and existing contracts, and that this project is beneficial and advantageous to the City of Ormoc and its inhabitants, so therefore, most deserving of this august Body's full support and affirmative action;

WHEREFORE, FOREGOING PREMISES CONSIDERED, on motion of SP Member Gregorio G. Yrastorza, III, Chairman, Committee on Environment and Natural Resources and Energy Conservation, severally seconded by SP Members Tomas R. Serafica, Mario M. Rodriguez, Nolito M. Quilang and John Eulalio Nepomuceno O. Aparis II; be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to pass a RESOLUTION INTERPOSING NO OBJECTION TO THE LEYTE GEOTHERMAL POWER PROJECT OF THE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC) PROVIDED THAT ALL ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATING MEASURES MANDATED TO BE COMPLIED WITH IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE (ECC), ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA), DENR AND OTHER CONCERNED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES MEMORANDUM CIRCULARS, LAWS AND REGULATIONS ARE STRICTLY FOLLOWED;

ADOPTED, November 22, 2018.



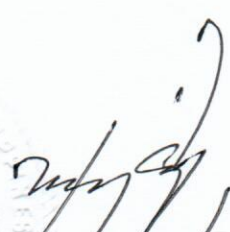
RESOLVED, FURTHER, that copies of this resolution be furnished each to the City Mayor Richard I. Gomez; the City Administrator, Vincent L. Emnas; the City Legal Officer, Atty. Jasper Lucero; the Energy Development Corporation (EDC) thru Mr. Erwin B. Magallanes, Head, Leyte CSR - Tongonan Geothermal Project; the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Region VIII; the Forest Management Bureau (FMB) Region VIII; the City Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO); the Environment and Natural Resources Office (ENRO) of LGU Ormoc; the OIC - City Director, DILG; and all other offices concerned for their information and guidance.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above resolution.

  
MARIA ANTONIETA G. CO HAT  
(OIC - SP Secretary)  
Supervising Administrative Officer

ATTESTED:

  
BENJAMIN S. PONGOS, JR.  
(Temporary Presiding Officer)  
SP Member