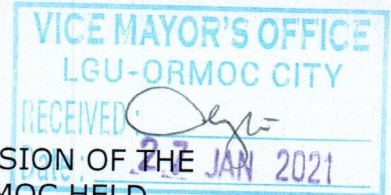


REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
LUNGSOD NG ORMOC



EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE
FIFTEENTH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG ORMOC HELD
AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL,
ORMOC CITY HALL BUILDING
ON JANUARY 26, 2021

PRESENT:

Leo Carmelo L. Locsin, Jr.
Benjamin S. Pongos, Jr.,
Roiland H. Villasencio,
Tomas R. Serafica,
Nolito M. Quilang,
Eusebio Gerardo S. Penserga,
Jasper M. Lucero,
Vincent L. Rama,
Gregorio G. Yrastorza III,
Lalaine A. Marcos,
Esteban V. Laurente,

City Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer
SP Member, Majority Floor Leader
SP Member, 1st Asst. Majority Floor Leader
SP Member, Presiding Officer "Pro-Tempore"
SP Member, 2nd Asst. Majority Floor Leader
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Ex-Officio SP Member, Chapter President,
Liga ng mga Barangay ng Ormoc
Ex-Officio SP Member, Chapter President,
Panlungsod na Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan ng Ormoc

Joan Marbie C. Simbajon,
Panlungsod na Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan ng Ormoc

ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

Peter M. Rodriguez,

(Acting Mayor), SP Member

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-025

**A RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE CITY
MAYOR RICHARD I. GOMEZ OR THE ACTING CITY
MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND SIGN THE
MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH THE
CITY GOVERNMENT OF MAASIN RELATIVE TO THE
LAMTAG ORMOC PROJECT.**

WHEREAS, this Fifteenth Sangguniang Panlungsod was in receipt of an Indorsement dated January 6, 2021 from the Office of the City Mayor, endorsing a request for the issuance of a Resolution granting the City Mayor or Acting City Mayor the authority to sign the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the City Government of Maasin relative to the Lamdag Ormoc Project, a copy of the MOA is hereto attached as "ANNEX A" and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, in an Opinion dated November 10, 2020, the City Legal Office finds nothing legally objectionable in the said MOA and that the same is not contrary to law, morals, public order, or public policy much less detrimental to the best interests of Ormoc City, a copy of the Opinion is hereto attached as "ANNEX B" and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, the City Government of Ormoc was able to create a Psychosocial Support Service in accordance with the guidelines imposed by NDRRC Memorandum No. 62 s. 2017, also known as the "National Guidelines on Mental Health and Psychosocial Support in Emergencies and Disaster Situations";

WHEREAS, a Psychosocial Support Service (PSS) named "LAMDAG ORMOC" came to light in order to help people battling from anxiety, depression, and the like to find strength and outlet to their bottled feelings and emotions during this pandemic. A "Chat and Call" service was made readily available even to people from far flung areas coupled with a script which is universally applicable to any age, gender, and culture;

WHEREAS, the City Government of Ormoc with its capacity and capability to provide Psychosocial Support Services, has manifested its intent to provide free social support through the "LAMDAG ORMOC Project" to help areas outside Ormoc City who are experiencing the emotional impact of COVID-19 in its constituents;

WHEREAS, the City of Maasin has made known its desire to undergo the Psychosocial Support Program in order to address and provide assistance to individuals in their community and who has developed moderate-severe anxiety or depression due to the pandemic;

WHEREAS, the subject MOA clearly and plainly encapsulates the terms and conditions of the agreement of the parties thereto, including their specific roles and obligations towards the attainment of the lofty ends of the same, and this Sanggunian, upon thorough review, finds that the same is entered into for the best interests of the City and the City Government of Maasin and their respective constituents, and therefore, is most deserving of this august Body's prompt and favorable consideration;

WHEREFORE, on joint motion of SP Member Eusebio Gerardo S. Penserga, Chairman, Committee on Health and Sanitation and SP Member Benjamin S. Pongos, Jr., Chairman, Committee on Laws and Ordinances, severally seconded by SP Members Vincent L. Rama, Lalaine A. Marcos, Joan Marbie C. Simbajon, Roiland H. Villasencio, Tomas R. Serafica, Esteban V. Laurente and Gregorio G. Yrastorza, III; be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to pass A RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE CITY MAYOR RICHARD I. GOMEZ OR THE ACTING CITY MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF MAASIN RELATIVE TO THE LAMDAG ORMOC PROJECT;

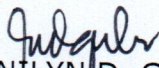
ADOPTED, January 26, 2021.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that a copy of the final notarized Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) be submitted to this Sanggunian for its information and files;

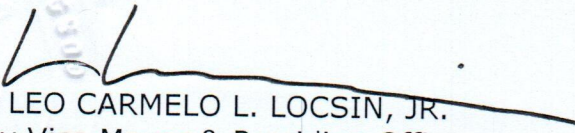
RESOLVED, FINALLY, to furnish copies of this resolution each to the City Mayor of Ormoc Richard I. Gomez; the City Administrator, Mr. Vincent L. Emnas; the City Legal Officer, Atty. Josephine Mejia-Romero; City Government of Maasin; CHO and other offices concerned for their information and guidance;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above resolution.


NONILYN D. GALANO
OIC-SP Secretary
Supervising Administrative Officer
(Board Secretary IV)

ATTESTED:


LEO CARMELO L. LOCSIN, JR.
City Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

Annex "A"

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

KNOWN ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This Memorandum of Agreement was made and entered into by and among the following Parties:

The **CITY GOVERNMENT OF ORMOC**, a local government unit duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with principal office at Aunubing Street, Brgy. Cogon, Ormoc City, herein represented by its CITY MAYOR, **Honorable RICHARD I. GOMEZ, DPA**;

-and-

The **CITY GOVERNMENT OF MAASIN** (herein referred to as "MAASIN CITY"), under the Province of Southern Leyte, with office address _____ represented herein by **Honorable Mayor NACIONAL V. MERCADO**;

WITNESSETH: THAT

WHEREAS, LGU-ORMOC CITY established a Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Service (MHPSS) as a sub-cluster of Health Emergency Management Bureau (Hem-B) under the City Health Department; and was created to support the mental health and wellbeing of the people especially those in areas seriously hit with crisis, emergencies and disasters;

WHEREAS, a Psychosocial Support Service (PSS) named "LAMDAG ORMOC" came to light in order to help people battling from anxiety, depression and the likes to find strength and outlet to their bottled feelings and emotions during this pandemic. A "Chat and Call" service was made readily available even to people from far flung areas, coupled with a script which is universally applicable to any age, gender and culture;

WHEREAS, LGU-ORMOC CITY has implemented the set of guidelines issued by the Inter-Agency Standing Committee on Mental Health and Psychosocial Support in times of an emergency which shall enable the city to plan, establish and coordinate responses to protect and improve the people's mental health and psychosocial well-being in the midst of an emergency or disaster;

WHEREAS, LGU-ORMOC CITY was able to create a Psychosocial Support Service in accordance with the guidelines imposed by NDRRMC Memorandum No. 62 s. 2017, also known as the "**NATIONAL GUIDELINES ON MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT IN EMERGENCIES AND DISASTER SITUATIONS**";

WHEREAS, Section 11, Article XIII of the 1987 Constitution enunciates that the "State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavour to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged, sick, elderly, disabled, women and children. The state shall endeavour to provide free medical care to paupers.";

WHEREAS, LGU-ORMOC CITY, with its capacity and capability to provide Psychosocial Support Services, has manifested its intent to provide Skills Training and Technical Assistance through "LAMDAG ORMOC: An Online Psychological First Aid (PFA) during COVID-19" to help areas outside Ormoc City established their own localized Online PFA;

WHEREAS, the City of MAASIN has made known its desire to undergo the 2-Day Skills Training of LAMDAG ORMOC: An Online Psychological First Aid (PFA) during COVID-19 in order to assess and provide assistance to individuals in their community who has developed mild-moderate- severe anxiety or depression due to the pandemic;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises and the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, the PARTIES have agreed as follows:

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

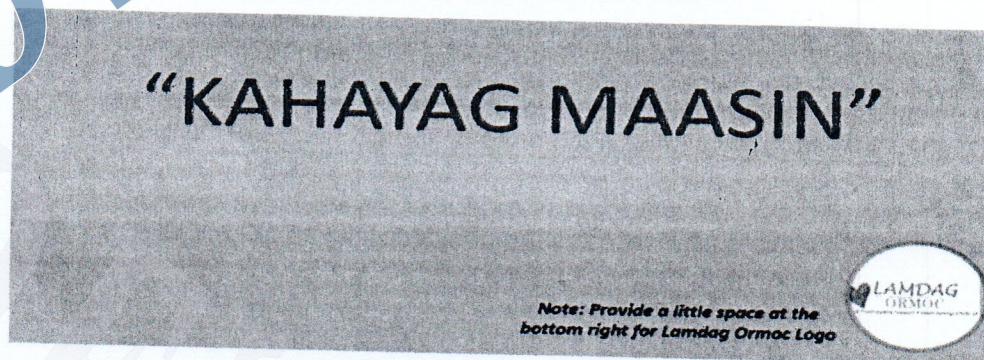
1. That LGU-ORMOC CITY shall:

- a. Facilitate a virtual 2-Day Basic Skills Training of LAMDAG ORMOC: An Online Psychological First Aid (PFA) during COVID-19;
- b. Provide continuous technical assistance to trained staff of Maasin City as necessary;
- c. Provide Forms, Script for Calls, and other documents to the trained staff of Maasin City for guidance;

2. That MAASIN CITY shall:

- a. Facilitate the attendance of participants during the virtual training;
- b. Shall serve as technical assistance within the training period;
- c. Shall develop an executive order assigning the selected participants to implement "Lamdag Ormoc: Online Psychological First Aid (PFA) during COVID-19";
- d. May change the title or name 'Lamdag Ormoc' to localize nomenclature of the program;
- e. Shall create an FB Page of the Online Psychological First Aid (PFA) Services for easy accessibility to those in need;
- f. Must include the logo 'Lamdag Ormoc' in the Cover Pic of FB Page (Figure 1) and the title 'Lamdag Ormoc' in the Logo of Maasin City Online Psychological First Aid (PFA);

Figure 1. FB Cover Page



- g. Shall provide assistance such as cell phone load to the trained individuals as necessary;
- h. Shall submit report to the office of the Mayor, City IATF, provincial and/or regional level on Mental Health Program as MHPSS Activity;

OTHER PROVISIONS:

- A. It is expressly agreed herein that all information acquired by the Parties pertinent to this arrangement shall be strictly confidential and neither Party has the authority to reveal or disclose the same to third parties without prior consent from each other. Otherwise, the guilty Party shall be held liable for damages.

- B. By mutual agreement of the parties, any provision of this contract may be changed and/or amended by way of written document by both parties. Such change or amendment shall be deemed incorporated herein.
- C. If any provision of this Agreement is, for any reason, found to be invalid or unenforceable, all other provisions of this Agreement not affected thereby shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect.
- D. This Agreement shall take effect immediately upon the signing hereof and shall be effective for a period of one (1) year and is deemed automatically renewed unless sooner terminated by either party voluntarily or in case of violation of any terms and conditions stated in the agreement, with at least thirty (30) – day prior notice to either party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties through their authorized representatives have hereunto signed this Agreement this _____ day of _____ at _____, Philippines.

CITY GOVERNMENT OF ORMOC

Mayor RICHARD I. GOMEZ, DPA

CITY GOVERNMENT OF MAASIN, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE

Mayor NACIONAL V. MERCADO

Annex "B"

OFFICE OF THE CITY LEGAL OFFICER

Ormoc City, Leyte



10 November 2020

AMELA C. CAM, M.D., MPM, FPCAM
Drug Rehab Program Manager
LGU – Ormoc City

Dear Ms. Cam:

This Office has reviewed the standard draft Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and finds nothing legally objectionable therein. The same is not contrary to law, morals, good customs, public policy and public order much less detrimental to the best interest of the City.

It is then recommended that the said MOA is endorsed to the SP for the issuance of a Resolution which will grant the City Mayor the authority to enter into and sign the said agreement. It is recommended further that an OMNIBUS Resolution be issued in order to save time and resources in case the same is to be entered into by a different LGU who needs the help/assistance of the LAMDAG Ormoc Project.

This comment/opinion is hereby being rendered based on the documents submitted without prejudice to contrary opinion from competent authorities or ruling of proper court.

For your consideration.

Most Respectfully,

ATTY. ANNE VERNADICE A. AREÑA
Attorney III

WITH CONFORMITY:

ATTY. JOSEPHINE A. MEJIA-ROMERO
City Legal Officer

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