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 MARCH 22, 2022

PRESENT:

Tomas R. Serafica,
Roiland H. Villasencio,
Nolito M. Quilang,
Eusebio Gerardo S. Penserga,
Jasper M. Lucero,
Peter M. Rodriguez,
Vincent L. Rama,
Gregorio G. Yrastorza III,
Lalaine A. Marcos,
Esteban V. Laurente,

SP Member, Presiding Officer "Pro-Tempore"
SP Member, Majority Floor Leader
SP Member, 1st Asst. Majority Floor Leader
SP Member, 2nd Asst. Majority Floor Leader
SP Member

Liga ng mga Barangay ng Ormoc Joan Marbie C. Simbajon, Ex-Officio SP Member, Chapter President, Panlungsod na Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan ng Ormoc

ON LEAVE:

Leo Carmelo L. Locsin, Jr.

City Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-078

A RESCLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY TO CITY MAYOR PICHARD I. GOMEZ OR THE ACTING CITY MAYOR OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE TO FILE A "PETITION FOR ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION" TO THE COMELEC EN BANC ON VARIOUS PROJECTS

WHEREAS, this Fifteenth Sangguniang Panlungsod was in receipt of an endorsement dated March 18, 2022 from the Office of the City Mayor, endorsing a request for the issuance of a Resolution granting authority to the City Mayor or his representative to file a PETITION FOR ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION to the Comelec En Banc on the projects listed on the attached document;

WHEREAS, in a letter dated March 18, 2022, the City Legal Office, in preparation for the ban imposed by the Omnibus Election Code that prohibits disbursement of public funds on social welfare from projects during the campaign period, March 25, 2022 to May 08, 2022, recommends that:

- a. A Petition for Exception be filed by the City with the Comelec En Banc on the following projects:
 - Assistance to Individuals/Families in Crisis Situations (AICS) as implemented by the City Social Welfare Department (CSWD), and the Office of the Senior Citizen Affairs (OSCA) for Senior Citizens;
 - ii. Supplemental Feeding as implemented by the CSWD;
 - iii. Sustainable Livelihood Assistance as implemented by the CSWD;
 - iv. Educational Assistance as implemented by the CSWD;
 - v. Birthday Gift Benefits as implemented by the OSCA; and
 - vi. Centenarian Benefits as implemented by the OSCA.

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- b. The draft Petition be referred with extreme urgency, given that the same must be filed before March 25, 2022, with the request for the issuance of an authority allowing the City Mayor to:
 - i. Sign the verification of the petition and certificate of non-forum shopping;
 - ii. Represent the city in all stages of the Comelec proceedings including any appeal process before any office or court, if necessary; and
 - iii. Grant the City Mayor the authority to further delegate the foregoing;

WHEREAS, the above-enumerated projects/programs/activities subject of the Petition for Exception are on-going, routine and normal expenses/activities of the City even before the prohibitive/campaign period, and are exempt by operation of law pursuant to Section 261 (v) (2) of the Omnibus Election Code;

WHEREAS, the Commission on Elections promulgated Comelec Resolution No. 10747 setting out the rules and regulations enforcing the prohibitions under Section 261, subsections (v) and (w) of the Omnibus Election Code, and under Section 13 of said Comelec Resolution, a mechanism is provided for the filing of a Petition for issuance of Certificate of Exception for social welfare projects/non-infrastructure projects/activities/programs. Hence, the filing of this Petition by the LGU Ormoc;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Local Government Code provides, that "Every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare.";

WHEREAS, the subject PETITION 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 to promote people's interest, thereby, serving the best interests of the City and its constituents, and therefore, is most deserving of this august Body's prompt and favorable consideration:

WHEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Jasper M. Lucero, Chairman, Committee on Good Government and Oversight, severally seconded by SP Members Roiland H. Villasencio, Peter M. Rodriguez, Vincent L. Rama, Gregorio G. Yrastorza III, Lalaine A. Marcos, Esteban V. Laurente and Joan Marbie C. Simbajon; be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to pass A RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY TO CITY MAYOR RICHARD I. GOMEZ OR THE ACTING CITY MAYOR OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE TO FILE A "PETITION FOR ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION" TO THE COMELEC EN BANC ON VARIOUS PROJECTS;

ADOPTED, March 22, 2022.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to furnish copies of this resolution one each to the City Mayor Richard I. Gomez; the City Administrator; the City Legal Officer; the City Budget Officer; the City Accountant; the City Treasurer; the City Auditor; the CPDO; COMELEC; the City Local Government Operations Officer-DILG; and other offices concerned;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above resolution.

MARIA ANTONIETA G CO HAT Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:

TOMAS R. SERAFICA
SP Member
Presiding Officer "Pro-Tempore"