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 MAY 31, 2022

PRESENT:

Tomas R. Serafica, Roiland H. Villasencio, Eusebio Gerardo S. Penserga, Jasper M. Lucero, Peter M. Rodriguez, Vincent L. Rama, Esteban V. Laurente,

SP Member, Presiding Officer "Pro-Tempore"

SP Member, Majority Floor Leader

SP Member, 2nd Asst. Majority Floor Leader

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Ex-Officio SP Member, Chapter President,

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

ON LEAVE:

Leo Carmelo L. Locsin, Jr. Nolito M. Quilang, Gregorio G. Yrastorza III, Lalaine A. Marcos, City Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer SP Member, 1st Asst. Majority Floor Leader SP Member SP Member

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-137

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE EXPANDED SENIOR CITIZENS ACT OF 2010 (R.A. 9994), GRANTING FIVE PERCENT (5%) DISCOUNT ON THE FIRST THIRTY CUBIC METER (30 CU.M.) OF THE MONTHLY CONSUMPTION ON WATER BILLS FOR QUALIFIED ORMOC CITY SENIOR CITIZENS AND APPROVING THE GUIDELINES OF ORMOC WATERWORKS SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION (ORWASA) FOR IMPLEMENTING THE SAME

WHEREAS, this Fifteenth Sangguniang Panlungsod was in receipt of an Indorsement dated May 6, 2022 from the Office of the City Mayor, endorsing the Ormoc City Waterworks Board Resolution No. 12, entitled: "A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE EXPANDED SENIOR CITIZENS ACT OF 2010 (R.A. 9994) AND APPROVING THE GUIDELINES OF ORMOC WATERWORKS SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION (ORWASA) AND GRANTING FIVE PERCENT (5%) DISCOUNT ON WATER BILLS FOR QUALIFIED SENIOR CITIZENS";

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9994 entitled the "Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010" is a law that grants additional benefits and privileges to senior citizens;

WHEREAS, Section 4 (c) of *Republic Act No. 9994* states that senior citizens shall be entitled to the "grant of a minimum of five percent (5%) discount relative to the monthly utilization of water and electricity supplied by public utilities: provided, that the individual meters for the foregoing utilities are registered in the name of the senior citizen residing therein: provided, further, that the monthly consumption does not exceed one hundred-kilowatt hours (100 kWh) of electricity and thirty cubic meters (30 cu.m.) of water and the privilege is granted per household regardless of the number of senior citizens residing therein";

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WHEREAS, Article 12 Section 1 of The Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No.9994 mandated utility-regulatory agencies to formulate supplemental guidelines to cover recovery rate mechanics and/or sharing of burden, among other concern of the distribution utilities and provides the guidelines for the availment of the aforementioned discount, to wit:

To avail of the discount, the senior citizen shall:

- 1. Apply for the discount personally or thru a representative. There shall be annual renewal of application to the utility provider; and
- 2. Submit requirements.
 - a. Proof of age and citizenship
 - b. Proof of billing. Meter registration should be in the name of the senior citizen for a period of one year
 - c. Proof of residence

WHEREAS, Ormoc Waterworks System Administration (ORWASA) presented to the Ormoc City Waterworks Board the Republic Act 9994 and proposed the following guidelines for the implementation of the grant of the 5% discount, to wit:

- 1. The water account is registered in the name of senior citizen residing therein and is a resident of Ormoc City;
- 2. Only the first thirty cubic meter (30 cu.m.) of the monthly consumption will be given a 5% discount. Any excess shall be computed based on the regular rates;
- 3. The grant may be availed of only by one household, regardless of the number of senior citizens living therein;
- 4. A senior citizen can only avail of only one (1) connection discount;
- 5. Water service connection must be classified as residential under Ordinance No. 202 (series of 2020);
- 6. In case there is a consumer change of name to a senior citizen, the discount may be availed of by the senior citizen only after the lapse of one (1) year from approval of application;
- 7. Senior citizen discounts must be applied for annually and noncompliance shall cause their automatic disqualification of a senior citizen from availment of the grant;
- 8. Senior citizen discount may be availed of through an authorized representative; and
- 9. Upon the death of the Senior Citizen, the discount is automatically revoked.

WHEREAS, in response, the Ormoc City Waterworks Board issued Resolution No. 12 last March 22, 2022 adopting the "Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010" (*Republic Act No. 9994*), and approving the guidelines set by ORWASA in granting Five percent (5%) discount on water bills for qualified senior citizens;

WHEREAS, this Sanggunian, after thorough examination, finds that: the same is not contrary to law, existing contract, public policy, customs and morals; is reasonable and in order; that the same is entered into for the best interests of the City, and finally the adoption of the resolution, among other lawful purposes, improve the quality of life and welfare of Senior Citizens and thus deserving of this August Body's prompt and favourable consideration;



WHEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Vincent L. Rama, Chairman, Committee on Social Welfare, Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities, together with SP Member Tomas R. Serafica, Chairman, Committee on Ways and Means and SP Member Peter M. Rodriguez, Chairman, Committee on Economic Enterprise, severally seconded by SP Members Joan Marbie C. Simbajon, Esteban V. Laurente and Roiland H. Villasencio; be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to pass A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE EXPANDED SENIOR CITIZENS ACT OF 2010 (R.A. 9994), GRANTING FIVE PERCENT (5%) DISCOUNT ON THE FIRST THIRTY CUBIC METER (30 CU.M.) OF THE MONTHLY CONSUMPTION ON WATER BILLS FOR QUALIFIED ORMOC CITY SENIOR CITIZENS AND APPROVING THE GUIDELINES OF ORMOC WATERWORKS SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION (ORWASA) FOR IMPLEMENTING THE SAME;

ADOPTED, May 31, 2022.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to furnish copies of this resolution each to the City Mayor Richard I. Gomez; the City Administrator, Mr. Vincent L. Ernnas; the City Legal Officer, Atty. Josephine A. Mejia-Romero; ORWASA; Ormoc City Waterworks Board; CTO; OSCA; the City Local Government Operations Officer-DILG; and other offices concerned for their information and guidance;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above resolution.

MARIA ANTONIETA GI CO HAT

Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:

TOMAS R. SERAFICA SP Member

Presiding Officer "Pro-Tempore"



RESOLUTION NO. 12

March 22, 2022

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE EXPANDED SENIOR CITIZENS ACT OF 2010 (R.A. 9994) AND APPROVING THE GUIDELINES OF ORMOC WATERWORKS SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION (ORWASA) AND GRANTING FIVE PERCENT (5%) DISCOUNT ON WATER BILLS FOR QUALIFIED SENIOR CITIZENS

WHEREAS, Ormoc Waterworks System Administration (ORWASA) thru the Head of Office Engr. Fulton Emmanuel S. Manawatao has presented to the Board of Directors the Republic Act 3994, otherwise known as The Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9994 entitled the "Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010" is a law that grants additional benefits and privileges to senior citizens;

WHEREAS, Section 4 (c) states that senior citizens shall be entitled to the "grant of a minimum of five percent (5%) discount relative to the monthly utilization of water and electricity supplied by public utilities provided that the individual meters for the foregoing utilities are registered in the name of the senior citizen residing therein, provided that the monthly consumption does not exceed one hundred-kilowatt hours (100 kWh) of electricity and thirty cubic meters (30 cu.m.) of water and the privilege is granted per household regardless of the number of senior citizens residing therein";

WHEREAS, ORWASA presented the proposed guidelines for the implementation of the grant of the discount in the immediately preceding paragraph, as follows:

- 1. The water account is registered in the name of senior citizen residing therein and is a resident of Ormoc City;
- 2. Only the first thirty cubic meter (30 cu.m.) of the monthly consumption will be given a 5% discount. Any excess shall be computed based on the regular rates;
- 3. The grant may be availed of only by one household, regardless of the number of senior citizens living therein.
- 4. A senior citizen can only avail of only one (1) connection discount;
- 5. Water service connection must be classified as residential under Ordinance No.002 (series of 2020);
- 6. In case there is a consumer change of name to a senior citizen, the discount may be availed of by the senior citizen only after the lapse of one (1) year from approval of the application;
- 7. Senior citizen discounts must be applied for annually and noncompliance shall cause their automatic disqualification of a senior citizen from availment of the grant;
- 8. The senior citizen discount may be availed of through an authorized representative;

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WHEREFORE, on motion of Ms. Sabrina P. Duero, duly seconded by Engr. Fulton Emmanuel S. Manawatao, so be it;

RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the ORWASA Board to

- (a) adopt the Expanded Senior Citizen Act of 2010 (RA 9994);
- (b) approve the guidelines proposed by the Ormoc Waterworks System Administration (ORWASA) on the grant of five percent (5%) discount on water bill for qualified senior citizens; and
- (c) favorably endorsing this resolution for approval by the Sangguniang Panglunsod through the City Mayor.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

We hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

JASPER M. LUCERO VICE CHAIRMAN

MEMBERS:

City Treasurer

City Budget Officer

DR. SARAH Q. HERMOSO City Health Officer

TY. JOSEPHINE M. ROMERO

City Legal Officer

MS. ROSILYN-SANCHEZ **ENRO Officer**

ENGR. ESTEBAN V. LAURENTE

President, Liga ng mga Barangay

RAOUL City Planning & Development Officer

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER: ENGR. FULTON ENINANL MANAWATAO

ORWASA Head of Office

SECRETARY: ENGR. ALONA A.

Waterworks Superintendent I