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MINUTES OF THE 124TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF LEYTE, HELD AT THE SESSION HALL, LEYTE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, PALO, LEYTE ON FEBRUARY 25, 2025.

PHYSICALLY PRESENT:

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| 1. Hon. Michael L. Cari | 5 th District Board Member
Temporary Presiding Officer |
| 2. Hon. Wilson S. Uy | 1 st District Board Member |
| 3. Hon. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar | 1 st District Board Member |
| 4. Hon. Trinidad G. Apostol | 2 nd District Board Member |
| 5. Hon. Raissa J. Villasin | 2 nd District Board Member |
| 6. Hon. Ma. Corazon E. Remandaban | 3 rd District Board Member |
| 7. Hon. Vincent L. Rama | 4 th District Board Member |
| 8. Hon. Flaviano C. Centino, Jr. | 4 th District Board Member |
| 9. Hon. MJ Luinly D. Lumen | SK Federation President
Ex-Officio Member |
| 10. Hon. Carmen L. Cari | PCL President/Ex-Officio Member |
| 11. Hon. Ma. Martina L. Gimenez | Liga ng mga Barangay President
Ex-Officio Member |

VIRTUALLY PRESENT:

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| 1. Hon. Carlo P. Loreto | 5 th District Board Member
Floor Leader |
| 2. Hon. Marie Kathryn V. Kabigting | 3 rd District Board Member |

ABSENT

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| 1. Hon. Leonardo M. Javier, Jr. | Vice-Governor
(Acting Governor) |
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The 124th Regular Session opened at 10:38 o'clock in the morning presided over by the Honorable Michael L. Cari, 5th District Board Member and Acting Vice Governor.

Opening Prayer was led by the Hon. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar, 1st District Board Member and followed by the singing of the Philippine National Anthem.

A motion to dispense with the Panunumpa sa Watawat, the Leyte Hymn, the PBMLP Hymn and the PBMLP Creed of the agenda was presented by the Honorable Floor Leader

50 Carlo P. Loreto, duly seconded by the Honorable Ma. Corazon E. Remandaban, 3rd District
51 Board Member and Honorable Ma. Martina L. Gimenez, Liga Ng Mga Barangay President

52 Considering that there was no objection, the motion was carried.

53 The Honorable Presiding Officer requested the SP Secretary Mrs. Florinda Jill S.
54 Uyvico, to call the roll in order to determine the presence of quorum.

55 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

56 The following Members are in attendance:

57 PHYSICALLY PRESENT:

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59 Hon. Michael L. Cari Temporary Presiding Officer
60 Hon. Wilson S. Uy
61 Hon. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar
62 Hon. Trinidad G. Apostol
63 Hon. Raissa J. Villasin
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71 VIRTUALLY PRESENT:

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73 Hon. Carlo P. Loreto Floor Leader
74 Hon. Marie Kathryn V. Kabigting

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76 Thirteen (13) Members are present, Mr. Chair, Mr. Floor Leader.

77 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

78 We have a quorum, Mr. Chair.

79 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

80 Okay, we have a quorum to do business.

81 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

82 Mr. Chair, we now proceed to our consideration of the minutes of the previous session
83 of February 18, 2025. Will you please recognize the Honorable Apostol, if she has any
84 correction on the minutes, Mr. Chair?

85 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

86 Honorable Apostol, you are recognized.

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88 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

89 Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Mr. Floor Leader. As of the moment, this
90 representation has no corrections. Thank you, Mr. Chairman, thank you, Mr. Floor Leader.

91 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

92 May we know if there are corrections from the floor? Hearing none, Mr. Chair, I move
93 that we approve the minutes of February 18, 2025. I so move.

94 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

95 Second.

96 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

97 It's been seconded.

98 Motion is approved.

99 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-095

100 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

101 Mr. Chair, we now proceed to the Committee reports. We have two Committee reports
102 from the Committee on Rules, Laws and Privileges registered at the Secretariat. Mr. Chair, will
103 you please recognize the distinguished Chairman, the Honorable Reposar?

104 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

105 Honorable Reposar, you are recognized.

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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 5
Series of 2025

This refers to the proposed Municipal Ordinance entitled:
"AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE GAME MAJHONG IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MATAG-OB, LEYTE."

Pursuant to Sec. 56 (c) of the Local Government Code of 1991, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan has the power to review ordinances submitted to it by component cities and municipalities and declare the same invalid in whole or in part, if the Sangguniang Panlalawigan finds that such ordinance is beyond the power conferred upon the Sangguniang Panlungsod or Sangguniang Bayan concerned.

On whether an ordinance is valid or not, such is guided by the following tests:

1. **Constitutional:** It doesn't violate the Constitution or any statute.
2. **Fair:** It's not unfair, oppressive, or discriminatory.
3. **Trade:** It doesn't prohibit trade, but may regulate it.
4. **Public policy:** It's consistent with public policy.
5. **Reasonableness:** It's not unreasonable.
6. **Corporate powers:** It's within the corporate powers of the local government unit to enact it.
7. **Procedure:** It's passed according to the procedure prescribed by law.

The Committee, in studying the proposed ordinance, finds no provision in the said measure which contravenes the Constitution and other existing laws. The same is within the corporate powers vested upon the Local Government Units and it is likewise consistent to public policy having been enacted pursuant to a national law. It has been enacted according to procedure prescribed by law and has undergone public consultation, evidenced by the minutes of the public hearing conducted for the said purpose.

In relation to the tests of fairness and reasonableness, the Committee opines that the said ordinance has likewise passed both tests.

As discussed in several forums, a "test of fairness" refers to a legal provision within a local law that assesses whether a particular policy, practice, or decision is considered fair and equitable, often with a focus on preventing discriminatory impacts against specific

171 groups based on factors like race, gender, or disability; essentially,
172 it's a mechanism to review actions and ensure they don't unfairly
173 disadvantage certain individuals or demographics. On the other
174 hand, a "test of reasonableness" when applied to a local policy
175 means evaluating whether the policy, considering all relevant
176 factors and circumstances, is considered fair, logical, and not
177 excessively burdensome, essentially asking if a reasonable person
178 would agree with the policy's implementation and objectives
179 within the context of the local community. Clearly, there is no
180 provision which can be considered discriminatory in the ordinance
181 based on the test of fairness and certainly there is no provision
182 likewise which can be considered excessively burdensome based
183 on the test of reasonableness.
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185 In view thereof, the Committee hereby recommends the
186 approval of the ordinance on review, reiterating however
187 compliance of the publication requirement as stated in SP
188 Resolution No. 2025-012. The Committee would like to stress that
189 the proposed ordinance is a penal law which requires the same to
190 be published pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government
191 Code of 1991. An ordinance is considered a penal law when it
192 establishes a prohibition against a specific action and includes a
193 penalty for violating that prohibition, essentially defining a crime at
194 the local level and outlining the punishment for committing
195 it, meaning it not only regulates conduct but also has the power
196 to punish offenders through fines or other sanctions. The submission
197 of the minutes and other documents relative to the public hearing
198 conducted is noted.
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200 Submitted this 21st day of February, 2025, Palo, Leyte
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207 **ATTY. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR**
208 Chairperson

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211 **ATTY. CARLO P. LORETO**
212 Vice Chairperson

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215 **HON. WILSON S. UY**
216 Member

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219 **HON. MICHAEL L. CARI**
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223 **HON. MA. MARTINA L. GIMENEZ**
224 Member

225 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

226 Thank you very much Honorable Presiding Officer and Honorable Floor Leader.

227 Mr. Chair, I move for the adoption of the Committee Report. I so move.

228 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

229 Second.

230 HON. MA. CORAZON E. REMANDABAN: 3RD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

231 Second.

232 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

233 It's been seconded.

234 Are there any other queries? Hearing none,

235 Motion is approved.

236 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2024-096

237 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

238 Corollary motion, Mr. Chair. I move that a resolution be passed approving the said

239 Ordinance with a condition that a publication, as required by the Local Government Code shall

240 be made by the SB of Origin, I so move.

241 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

242 Second.

243 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

244 Second.

245 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

246 Second.

247 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

248 Duly seconded.

249 Are there any other queries? Hearing none,

250 Motion is approved.

251 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-097

252 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

253 Mr. Chair?

254 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

255 Yes, Honorable Floor Leader.

256 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

257 Mr. Chair, I just would like to explain my second.

258 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

259 Yes, go ahead.

260 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

261 As a member of the Committee, I affixed my signature at the Committee Report because
262 the Ordinance of Matag-ob does not regulate Mahjong as a gambling activity, but only as a
263 game. So, I just want to be clear that gambling is regulated by PAGCOR and the PCSO but
264 what Matag-ob did was only to regulate the game of Mahjong, not as a betting game, Mr. Chair.
265 So that's my explanation for my second, Mr. Chair and I reiterate my second to the motion of
266 the distinguished Chairman, the Honorable Reposar.

267 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

268 Duly noted, Honorable Loreto.

269 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

270 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

271 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

272 Mr. Chair?

273 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

274 Yes, Honorable Apostol?

275 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

276 What is now the decision of the Committee regarding this Mahjong? If there is only one
277 table, is it allowed? If there is more than one table, is it prohibited? So, what is now the decision
278 of the Committee regarding this Ordinance of Municipality of the Matag-ob? If it is only for
279 recreation purposes, are they allowed to play Mahjong?

280 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

281 First, to answer the question on the decision about whether to allow two or more tables,
282 I think the Committee is incompetent to comment on the same as the same is the Legislative

283 intent of the Sangguniang Bayan concerned. What the Committee has decided is the review
284 of the Ordinance whether or not, it has actually complied to the General limitations of
285 Legislation. In so far as the Legislative intent is concerned, such is within the corporate powers
286 of the Local Government Unit authorized by the Local Government Code of 1991. So, on the
287 question on whether to allow, the Ordinance of the Matag-ob, Leyte only allows 1 table per
288 household for recreation purposes.

289 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

290 Okay. Thank you, Mr. Chairman and Honorable Reposar.

291 Now, in their resolution there are certain questions of the councilors for example, it is
292 written here, "Are Barangay Officials allowed to play Mahjong?". Now, no one is prohibited to
293 play Mahjong exempt minors and students provided further that no betting is not allowed during
294 the playing of Mahjong. How will you know that there is no betting during the playing of
295 Mahjong? Because there are several questions here that were imposed by their Ordinance
296 from the Municipality of Matag-ob. So, will we be able to distinguish whether there is betting or
297 not? So, you have to have people there who will watch them who are playing the Mahjong.

298 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

299 Yes, Honorable Uy.

300 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

301 Mr. Chair, that is correct, *kun tagoon nira an ira bet* but if they are found then of course
302 they have to face the Law. That is the essence of the said Ordinance.

303 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

304 Honorable Uy, you know, there is no Mahjong if there is no betting. You will just be
305 wasting your time sitting on that chair for how many hours. I think it should be specified here,
306 that if it's only for recreation purposes with 1 table, I think it should be allowed and be specified
307 here.

308 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

309 We take note of the observation of Honorable Apostol and I think such suggestions and
310 observations are clear to Honorable Centino who can actually suggest some implementation

311 strategy of the Ordinance, probably an Executive Order from the Mayor because the Ordinance
312 is already approved.

313 Mr. Chair, may I proceed to the second Committee Report.

314 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

315 You may proceed, Honorable Reposar.

316 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

317 Thank you, Mr. Chair. Thank you, Honorable Floor leader. Thank you, Honorable Uy
318 and most especially Thank you, Honorable Ebbie Apostol.

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"COMMITTEE ON RULES, LAWS and PRIVILEGES

**COMMITTEE REPORT No. 06
S. 2025**

This refers to the proposed provincial ordinance entitled "**AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTEGRATED REAL PROPERTY TAXATION SYSTEM (ITAX SYSTEM) IN THE PROVINCE OF LEYTE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**".

The proposed ordinance is anchored to Sections 197 and 200 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991. The said provisions of the LGC provides that local government units (LGUs) are empowered to impose, levy, and collect real property taxes in order to enhance their fiscal capacity and that the province shall be primarily responsible for the proper, efficient, and effective administration of the real property tax.

Upon careful review and perusal of the provisions of the proposed ordinance, the committee finds that the measure is timely and urgently needed to institutionalize the existing Integrated Taxation System (ITAX) developed by the provincial government of Leyte. In line with the provincial government's thrust to collect taxes timely and efficiently, the ITAX system provides real property owners a convenient way of paying the real property tax and other related taxes due to their properties. It is a modernize real property tax collection and/or payment system which provides an innovative and secure digital option aimed to encourage compliance and to ease the real property tax payment process, as the system provides real property owners a cashless and an online system to settle their real property tax obligations through various online payment platforms.

The Committee also find that the proposed measure is compliant to the general limitations of legislation, that:

- a. It does not contravene the Constitution;
- b. It is not unfair or oppressive;
- c. It is not partial or discriminatory;
- d. It does not prohibit trade;
- e. It is general and consistent with public policy; and,
- f. It is not unreasonable.

In view thereof, the Committee hereby recommends for the passage of the said ordinance and resolve that the same be scheduled for second reading.

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Submitted this 21st day of February, 2025, Palo, Leyte



ATTY. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR
Chairperson

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ATTY. CARLO P. LORETO
Vice Chairperson

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HON. WILSON S. UY
Member

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HON. MICHAEL L. CARI
Member

(Original Signed)
HON. MA. MARTINA L. GIMENEZ
Member"

439 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

440 Mr. Chair, I move for the passage of the said Ordinance and resolve that the same be
441 scheduled for second reading. I so move.

442 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

443 Second.

444 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

445 Duly seconded.

446 Are there any other queries? Hearing none,

447 Motion is approved.

448 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-098

449 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

450 Mr. Chair?

451 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

452 Go ahead, Honorable Uy.

453 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

454 Mr. Chair, if my motion is in order, I move that we approve for Second Reading the
455 Ordinance institutionalizing the implementation of the Integrated Real Property Taxation
456 System in the Province of Leyte and appropriating funds thereof and for other purposes. I so
457 move.

458 HON. MA. MARTINA L. GIMENEZ:EX-OFFICIO MEMBER, LIGA NG MGA BRGY PRESIDENT

459 Second.

460 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

461 Second.

462 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

463 Duly seconded.

464 Are there any other queries? Hearing none,

465 Motion is approved.

466 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-099

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468 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

469 Mr. Chair, if the movant would be amendable, I would suggest that we amend the portion
470 of the Ordinance which suggests that the Office of the Provincial Treasurer and the Provincial
471 Assessor will make the IRR. I think it is for the Executive, headed by the Governor, to make
472 the IRR, not the Provincial Treasurer or the Assessor. That's the only correction I can see so
473 that we can approve this on Second Reading, Mr. Chair.

474 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

475 Mr. Chair, to answer the concern of the Honorable Carlo Loreto, his suggestion was
476 already incorporated to the Ordinance. It has already been amended and corrected and the
477 final form was reflected at Section 7, which is the suggestion of Honorable Loreto.

478 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

479 So, there are no corrections needed?

480 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

481 Yes. No corrections needed, Mr. Chair. It was corrected in advance because that was
482 the point raised by the Honorable Loreto before, during the Committee meeting, Mr. Chair.

483 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

484 So, the Draft Ordinance attached here in the Committee Report was the amended
485 version already. Is that correct?

486 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

487 Yes, Honorable Loreto. It is the corrected version already.

488 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

489 Because when I read the attachment yesterday, it wasn't yet corrected. But anyways,
490 thru correspondence, the Honorable Reposar sent me a message with the draft correction. If
491 that is included in the draft ordinance, I would second the motion of the Honorable Uy.

492 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

493 Mr. Chair, since there are no corrections and the suggestion of Board Member Loreto
494 has been incorporated in this draft ordinance, I move that we certify this as urgent. I so move.

495 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

496 Second

497 HON. RAISSA J. VILLASIN: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

498 Second.

499 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

500 Second.

501 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

502 Duly seconded.

503 Are there any other queries? Hearing none,

504 Motion is approved.

505 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-100

506 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

507 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

508 Mr. Chair, I move for that we approve this Ordinance institutionalizing the
509 implementation of the Integrated Real Property Taxation System in the Province of Leyte and
510 appropriating funds thereof and for other purposes the 3rd and Final Reading. I so move.

511 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

512 Second.

513 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

514 Second.

515 HON. MA. CORAZON E. REMANDABAN: 3RD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

516 Second.

517 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

518 Second.

519 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

520 Mr. Chair?

521 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

522 Yes, Honorable Reposar?

523 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

524 I would like to state on record that I would like to co-sponsor the Ordinance, Mr. Chair.

525 Thank you.

526 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

527 Mr. Chair, I would like to join and the Honorable Uy and Honorable Reposar to sponsor
528 the Ordinance.

529 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

530 Duly noted. Honorable Uy?

531 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

532 Mr. Chair, Honorable Raissa would also like to join me, Honorable Reposar, and
533 Honorable Loreto to co-sponsor the said Ordinance.

534 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

535 Are there any other queries? Hearing none,

536 Motion is approved.

537 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-101

538 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

539 Thank you, Mr. Chair. We now proceed to the Business of the Day. Item no. 1, Madam
540 Secretary, please.

541 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SECRETARY

542 **BUSINESS OF THE DAY**

543 **ITEM NO. 1**

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545 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Resolution No.**
546 **2025-40 of Palo, Leyte** entitled: **“INTERPOSING NO OBJECTION**
547 **TO THE REQUEST OF DAVE WALTER C. SY TO QUARRY OVER**
548 **DESIGNATED CADASTRAL LOT NUMBER 10614, WITH**
549 **CORRESPONDING TD/ARP NUMBER 08-30-0010-00518,**
550 **LOCATED AT BARANGAY BARAYONG, THIS MUNICIPALITY,**
551 **SUBJECT HOWEVER TO COMPLIANCE OF OTHER**
552 **REQUIREMENT(S) THAT WILL BE IMPOSED BY OTHER**
553 **CONCERNED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.”**

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555 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

556 Honorable Floor Leader, may I be recognized?

557 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

558 Mr. Chair, will you please recognize the Honorable Reposar?

559 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

560 You are recognized, Honorable Reposar.

561 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

562 Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Mr. Floor Leader.

563 Provincial Ordinance 08-01 series of 2008 which is the Environmental Code of the
564 Province of Leyte, on Article 5 Section 21 of the said Code provides that prior consent of the
565 Sangguniang Panlalawigan is actually required in relation to the use or utilization of Mineral
566 Resources. Pursuant thereto, it states that no mineral quarry or mineral resources
567 management development utilization or processing, project permit, concession agreement, or
568 usufruct permit shall be issued by the national agencies without prior consultation and
569 concurrence thru a resolution interposing no objection issued by the Sangguniang
570 Panlalawigan. In relation thereto, while the Municipality of Palo has already issued its resolution
571 interposing no objection to the request of Mr. Dave Walter Sy to quarry over the subject
572 properties, may I reiterate, Mr. Chair, that before the Sangguniang Panlalawigan will be able
573 to act on whether to approve or to issue a resolution interposing no objection as required by
574 the Environmental Code of the Province of Leyte, May we request the Sangguniang Bayan of
575 Palo to furnish us relevant documents particularly, a relation to the Disaster Risk Reduction
576 Management in Land Use Ordinance, the Food Security Ordinance and the Ordinance setting
577 for the Guidelines before issuing interposing no objection which are all local ordinances of the
578 Municipality of Palo. It's actually observed by this representation, Mr. Chair, that we were only
579 furnished by a copy of the resolution without the necessary attachments such as the
580 certifications coming form the MDRRMO that the subject property applied for concession is not
581 within any hazard area or not adjacent to any hazard area considering that Barangay Barayong
582 is a mountain community which is actually prone to landslide. Second, it's actually a forest or
583 timberland area in an agricultural area which is essential to the Food Production of the
584 Municipality. Hence, I believe that in the Ordinance of the Municipality of Palo requirement from
585 the Department of Agriculture or the Office of the Municipal Agriculture stating among other
586 that per verification and investigation, said activity would not adversely affect the water quality
587 of the said area and which would consequently affect the food production of the adject
588 barangay within the said barangay. And lastly, certifications coming from Municipal Planning
589 and Development office that the said area is not within any hazard zone as identified in the

590 MDRRO plan. We don't want our plan, such as the DRR plan and other plans of the Municipality
591 to be compromised by hastily issuing resolutions interposing no objections without any
592 investigations or studies conducted. I so move, Mr. Chair.

593 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

594 Second.

595 HON. MA. CORAZON E. REMANDABAN: 3RD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

596 Second.

597 HON. MA. MARTINA L. GIMENEZ: EX-OFFICIO MEMBER, LIGA NG MGA BRGY PRESIDENT

598 Second.

599 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

600 Manifestation, Mr. Chair?

601 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

602 Go ahead, Honorable Loreto.

603 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

604 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

605 I wish to call attention to the Constitution which mandates that only Filipinos or Filipino-
606 owned corporations are allowed to quarry or exploit the Natural Resources of the country. I
607 noticed that the name of the proponent for the quarrying corporation is a Monosyllabic and
608 sounds Chinese. Perhaps, we should make sure that he is not among those who are
609 encroaching upon Philippine Territory in the disputed seas, Mr. Chair. May I know what's the
610 motion again of the Honorable Reposar?

611 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

612 We request the Municipality of Palo or whichever Municipality which is actually issuing
613 interposing no object to furnish us relevant documents particularly in relation to the Disaster
614 Risk Reduction Management in Land Use Ordinance, the Food Security Ordinance and the
615 Ordinance setting for the Guidelines before issuing interposing no objection which are all local
616 ordinances of the Municipality of Palo. We need also certifications coming from Municipal
617 Planning and Development office that the said area is not within any hazard zone as identified

618 in the MDRRO plan. It's actually the reason only for the manifestation and the resolution, Mr.
619 Chair.

620 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

621 Mr. Chair?

622 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

623 Go ahead, Honorable Loreto.

624 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

625 Mr. Chair, I hope the Honorable Reposar would be amendable to amend the motion to
626 include referral to the Committee on Budget and Management chaired by the Honorable Uy
627 considering that the Honorable Uy used to be the President of the Chinese Chamber, perhaps
628 he can investigate as well the personality involved.

629 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

630 I object, Mr. Chair.

631 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

632 Actually, Mr. Chair, the proponent is a Filipino. He is actually the husband of the
633 daughter of Former Punong Barangay Rey.

634 So, we are just requesting the SB of Palo such documents because I'm sure they have
635 those documents but they just failed to attach the same so they might as well be guided before
636 we decide on issuing an interposing no objection pursuant to the very sound pro-poor, pro-
637 environment and very environment friendly ordinance of the illustrious and industrious Board
638 Member Carlo Loreto which is the Environmental Code of the Province of Leyte.

639 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

640 On that note, Mr. Chair, I would like to reiterate my second because he called me
641 illustrious, Mr. Chair.

642 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

643 Mr. Chairman?

644 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

645 Yes, Honorbale Apostol?

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647 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

648 May I just ask the movant if the adjacent barangays have no objection? Because they
649 might be affected by this quarrying.

650 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

651 I actually share the concern of the Honorable Apostol. That's the reason we are
652 requesting for the certifications that will answer our questions now being propounded by
653 Honorable Apostol because we were only furnished with the copy of the resolution without any
654 support and any certification coming from other offices or from the adjacent barangays.

655 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

656 Any other queries? Hearing none.

657 Motion is approved.

658 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-102

659 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

660 Thank you, Mr. Chair. We now proceed to the next item. Item no. 2, Madam Secretary
661 please.

662 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SECRETARY

663 **ITEM NO. 2**

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665 Presented for consideration is **Ordinance No. 25-03 of**
666 **Inopacan, Leyte** entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE ABOLISHING AND**
667 **CREATING SOME POSITIONS AND AMENDING FOR THIS**
668 **PURPOSE THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE AND STAFFING**
669 **PATTERN OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT OF INOPACAN,**
670 **LEYTE."** Same is recommended for the declaration of its **VALIDITY**
671 by the Provincial Legal Office per 2nd Indorsement dated February 18,
672 2025.
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674 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

675 Mr. Chair, will you please recognize the former Congresswoman Honorable Board
676 Member Carmen Cari?

677 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

678 Honorable Carmen Cari, you are recognized.

679 HON. CARMEN L. CARI: PROV'L. COUNCILORS' LEAGUE PRESIDENT

680 Thank you, Mr. Chair. Thank you, Mr. Floor Leader.

681 Item No. 2, presented for consideration is Ordinance No. 25-03 of Inopacan, Leyte,
682 entitled: "An Ordinance abolishing and creating some positions and amending for this purpose
683 the organizational structure and staffing pattern of the Local Government Unit of Inopacan,
684 Leyte." Same is recommended for the declaration of its validity by the Provincial Legal Office,
685 per 2nd Indorsement dated February 18. 2025.

686 Mr. Chair, I believe that this is a legal Ordinance because they are going to follow the
687 staffing pattern of the Local Government, so that they have to abolish some and create some.
688 And, it is a valid legal authority mandated for the Local Government Unit, and in this case, the
689 LGU of Inopacan, Leyte. I so move, Mr. Chair, for its approval.

690 HON. MA. CORAZON E. REMANDABAN: 3RD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

691 Second.

692 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

693 Second.

694 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

695 Second.

696 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

697 Second.

698 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

699 There's a motion of the Honorable Carmen Cari.

700 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

701 Mr. Chair?

702 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

703 Yes, Honorable Uy?

704 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

705 With respect to this particular Ordinance, since Board Member Loreto is now in Baybay,
706 I suggest that he go to Inopacan to check if there's no displacement of the employees at the
707 LGU-Inopacan before we approve the Ordinance Because he is near and now in Baybay.
708 Maybe he can check to make sure that there's no displacement of employees. Can he do that,
709 Mr. Chair?

710 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

711 Depending on Majority Floor Leader.

712 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

713 Done already, Mr. Chair.

714 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

715 I withdraw my suggestion, considering that Mr. Floor Leader has not taken his breakfast
716 yet, Mr. Chair. So, I second the motion, Mr. Chair.

717 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

718 The query is withdrawn.

719 So, the motion is carried and approved.

720 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-102

721 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

722 Thank you, Mr. Chair. We now proceed to the next item. Item no. 3, Madam Secretary
723 please.

724 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SECRETARY

725 **ITEM NO. 3**

726 Presented for consideration is a letter dated February 10,
727 2025 from **Dr. Allan L. Laniba, Gen. Manager, LEYECO III**, furnishing
728 copies of the **Order and Notice of Virtual Hearing** relative to Joint
729 Application filed by LEYECO III and Sual Power, Inc. (SPI) docketed
730 as **ERC Case No. 2025-003 RC**, for Posting on SP Bulletin board and
731 requesting Certificate of Posting.

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733 **ITEM NO. 4**

734 Presented for consideration is a letter dated February 12,
735 2025 from **Atty. Jannie Ann J. Dayandayan, General Manager,**
736 **LEYECO V**, furnishing ERC Order and Notice of Virtual Hearing
737 relative to Power Supply Agreement between LEYECO V and SUAL
738 Power Inc. under **ERC CASE NO. 2025-004 RC.**, with a request for
739 posting on SP Bulletin board of said Order and Notice of Virtual
740 Hearing and issuance of a certification of posting.

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742 **ITEM NO. 5**

743 Presented for consideration is a letter dated February 19,
744 2025 from **Brenda Flores Ampolitod, Acting General Manager,**
745 **LEYECO IV**, furnishing copy of **LEYECO IV and SOUTHWEST**
746 **LUZON POWER GENERATION CORP. (SPLGC)** Emergency Supply
747 Agreement (EPSA), with request for issuance of copies of
748 certifications.

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751 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

752 Mr. Chair, Item Nos. 03, 04 and 05 are all processes of the Energy Regulatory Board
753 which require postings in our bulletin board. I move that we favorably consider the request, Mr.
754 Chair. I so move.

755 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICTR BOARD MEMBER

756 Second.

757 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

758 So, duly seconded for posting.

759 The motion is carried and approved.

760 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-104

761 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

762 Thank you, Mr. Chair. We now proceed to the next item. Item no. 6, Madam Secretary
763 please.

764 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SECRETARY

ITEM NO. 6

765 Presented for consideration is the **Request** for
766 **Accreditation of BANAYAKAW FARMER'S & VENDORS**
767 **ASSOCIATION** of Brgy. Bukid, Barugo, Leyte with the Provincial
768 Government of Leyte as a non-government association.
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772 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

773 Mr. Chair, will you please recognize the learned Chairperson of the Committee on
774 Cooperatives and Accreditations, the Honorable Apostol?

775 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

776 The Honorable Apostol is recognized.

777 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

778 Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Mr. Floor Leader.

779 For Item No. 06, this is a request for accreditation of Banayakaw Farmers & Vendors
780 Association coming from Brgy. Bukid, Barugo, Leyte.

781 Mr. Chairman, this particular request of this organization has submitted all the
782 requirements for accreditation. So, with this, I move that we approve the request for

783 accreditation of Banayakaw Farmers and Vendors Association of Brgy. Bukid, Barugo, Leyte.
784 I so move, Mr. Chairman, Mr. Floor Leader.
785 HON. MJ LUNLY D. LUMEN: SANG. KABATAAN PROVL. FEDERATION. PRESIDENT
786 Second.
787 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER
788 Second.
789 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER
790 Second.
791 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER
792 Duly seconded.
793 No queries?
794 Hearing none, the motion is carried and approved.
795 Approved unanimously. **RES. NO. 2025-105**
796 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER
797 Thank you, Mr. Chair. We now proceed to the next item. Item no. 7, Madam Secretary
798 please.
799 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SECRETARY

800 **ITEM NO. 7**
801 Presented for consideration is the **General Fund**
802 **Supplemental Budget No. 4 CY 2024** of **Babatngon, Leyte** in the
803 amount of **Php5,855,383.45** under **Appropriation Ordinance No.**
804 **482**. Same is recommended for **APPROVAL** with **CONDITIONS** by
805 the Local Finance Committee per review letter dated February 19,
806 2025.

807 **ITEM NO. 8**
808 Presented for consideration is the **General Fund**
809 **Supplemental Budget No. 3 CY 2024** of **Carigara, Leyte** in the
810 amount of **Php10,772,750.00** under **Appropriation Ordinance No.**
811 **2024-219**. Same is recommended for **APPROVAL** with **CONDITIONS**
812 by the Local Finance Committee per review letter dated February 20,
813 2025.

814 **ITEM NO. 9**
815 Presented for consideration is the **General Fund**
816 **Supplemental Budget No. 1 CY 2024** of **San Isidro, Leyte** in the
817 amount of **Php1,800,000.00** under **Appropriation Ordinance No.**
818 **2024-02 s. 2024**. Same is recommended for **APPROVAL** with
819 **CONDITIONS** by the Local Finance Committee per review letter dated
820 February 17, 2025, together with **1st Supplemental Investment**
821 **Program (SIP) CY 2024** of the same amount.
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823 **ITEM NO. 10**

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825 Presented for consideration is the **General Fund**
826 **Supplemental Budget No. 02 FY 2024 of Julita, Leyte** in the amount
827 of **Php8,939,818.76** under **Appropriation Ordinance No. 2024-12.**
828 Same is recommended for **APPROVAL** with **CONDITIONS** by the
829 Local Finance Committee per review letter dated February 20, 2025.
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831 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

832 Item Nos. 07, 08, 09 and 10 are Supplemental Budgets from Babatngon, Carigara, San
833 Isidro and Julita, Leyte, respectively, Mr. Chair. Will you please recognize the distinguished
834 Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Management, the Honorable Uy, Mr. Chair?

835 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

836 The Honorable Uy is recognized.

837 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

838 Thank you, Mr. Chair. Thank you, Floor Leader.

839 We have four items, Items 7, 8, 9 and 10 are all Supplemental Budgets, Mr. Chair.

840 So, for Item No. 07, is General Fund Supplemental Budget No. 04, Calendar Year 2024
841 of Babatngon, Leyte.

842 Item No. 08, is General Fund Supplemental Budget No. 3 for Calendar Year 2024 of
843 Carigara, Leyte.

844 Item No. 09, is General Fund Supplemental Budget No. 1 for Calendar Year 2024 of
845 San Isidro, Leyte, together with the 1st Supplemental Investment Program (SIP) for Calendar
846 Year 2024.

847 And Item No. 10, is General Fund Supplemental Budget No. 02 of Julita, Leyte.

848 Mr. Chair, if my motion is in order, I move that we approve all four General Fund
849 Supplemental Budgets, together with the approval and conditions of the Local Finance
850 Committee per review. I so move, Mr. Chair.

851 HON. MA. MARTINA L. GIMENEZ: PROV'L. LIGA NG MGA BARANGAY PRESIDENT

852 Second.

853 HON. MA. CORAZON E. REMANDABAN: 3RD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

854 Second.

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856 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

857 Second.

858 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

859 There's a motion of Honorable Uy, approving Item Nos. 07, 08, 09 and 10.

860 Duly seconded.

861 Any queries?

862 There's none, so, the motion is carried and approved.

863 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-106

864 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

865 Thank you, Mr. Chair. We now proceed to the next item. Item no. 11, Madam Secretary,
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867 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SECRETARY TO THE SANGGUNIAN

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ITEM NO. 11

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Presented for consideration is a letter dated February 21, 2025 from **Hon. Provincial Governor Carlos Jericho L. Petilla** submitting the **updated local cultural inventory of the Province of Leyte as of Feb. 18, 2025 for approval and adoption**. Further requesting endorsement of the Madonna of Japan to the National Commission for Culture and the Arts, as part of the Philippine Registry of Cultural Property (PRECUP) and the **declaration as Heritage Zones of the provincial government of Leyte**.

879 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

880 Mr. Chair?

881 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

882 Yes, the Honorable Floor Leader.

883 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

884 I move that we adopt and approve the updated local cultural inventory of the Province
885 of Leyte. I so move.

886 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

887 Second.

888 HON. MA. CORAZON E. REMANDABAN: 3RD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

889 Second.

890 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

891 Second.

892 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

893 There's a motion of Honorable Loreto, duly seconded.

894 No queries?

895 There's none, so, the motion is carried and approved.

896 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-107

897 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

898 Corollary motion, Mr. Chair. I move that we endorse the Madonna of Japan to the
899 National Commission for Culture and Arts, as requested, it's the inclusion of the Registry of
900 Cultural Property. I so move.

901 HON. MA. CORAZON E. REMANDABAN: 3RD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

902 Second.

903 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

904 Second.

905 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

906 Second.

907 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

908 There's a motion, duly seconded, for Item No. 11 to endorse to the National Commission
909 for Culture and Arts.

910 No objection, so, the motion is carried and approved.

911 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2024-108

912 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

913 Mr. Chair, I move to pass a resolution declaring the Madonna of Japan Leyte Landing
914 Memorial National Park and the Leyte Provincial Capitol as Heritage Zone of the Province of
915 Leyte

916 HON. MA. CORAZON E. REMANDABAN: 3RD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

917 Second.

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919 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

920 Second.

921 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

922 There's a motion of Honorable Loreto, duly seconded.

923 No queries?

924 There's none, so, the motion is carried and approved.

925 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-109

926 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

927 Thank you, Mr. Chair. We now proceed to the next item. Item no. 12, Madam Secretary,
928 please.

929 MS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SECRETARY TO THE SANGGUNIAN

930 **ITEM NO. 12**

931 Presented for consideration is a letter dated February 13, 2025
932 from Hon. Provincial Governor Carlos Jericho L. Petilla submitting the
933 updated, formulated, approved and endorsed documents by the **PDRRM**
934 **council to wit: a.) Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management**
935 **Plan (PDRRMP) CY 2025-2028 and b.) Province of Leyte Contingency**
936 **Plan for earthquakes, for approval by the august body.**
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938 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

939 Mr. Chair, will you please recognize the distinguished Chairman of the Committee on
940 Disaster Risk Reduction Management (DRRM) of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, the
941 Honorable Centino?

942 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

943 Honorable Centino, you are recognized.

944 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

945 Thank you, Mr. Chair and Mr. Floor Leader.

946 I move that we approve the request of the Honorable Governor Jericho L. Petilla, for the
947 adoption of the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Plan (PDRRMP) CY
948 2025-2028, and the Province of Leyte Contingency Plan for Earthquakes. I so move, Mr. Chair.

949 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

950 Second.

951 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

952 Second.

953 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

954 There's a motion by the Honorable Centino, duly seconded.

955 No queries?

956 Hearing none, so, the motion is carried and approved.

957 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2024-110

958 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

959 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

960 Thank you, Mr. Chair. We now proceed to the next item. Item no. 13, Madam Secretary,
961 please.

962 MS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SECRETARY TO THE SANGGUNIAN

963 **ITEM NO. 13**

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965 Presented for consideration is a request for **Accreditation of**
966 **International Basketball Academy of the Philippines (IBAP) with office**
967 **address at Legaspi Street, St. Michael, Palo, Leyte**, with the Provincial
968 Government of Leyte, as a Non-Government Organization.
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970 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

971 Mr. Chair, will you please recognize the Honorable Apostol?

972 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

973 Honorable Apostol, you are recognized.

974 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

975 Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Mr. Floor Leader.

976 Item No. 13, is a request for accreditation of the International Basketball Academy of
977 the Philippines (IBAP) with office address at Legaspi Street, St. Michael, Palo, Leyte.

978 Mr. Chairman, this particular request has been reviewed by the Sangguniang
979 Panlalawigan Secretariat, and they have duly accomplished all the forms and requirements for
980 accreditation.

981 So, with this, Mr. Chairman, I move that we approve the request for accreditation of this
982 particular organization of the International Basketball Academy of the Philippines (IBAP). I so
983 move, Mr. Chairman.

984 HON. MJ LUINLY D. LUMEN: PROV'L SANG. KABATAAN FEDERATION PRESIDENT

985 Second.

986 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

987 Second.

988 HON. MA. MARTINA L. GIMENEZ: PROV'L LIGA NG MGA BARANGAY PRESIDENT

989 Second.

990 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

991 There's a motion of the Honorable Apostol, duly seconded.

992 Any questions?

993 Hearing none, so, the motion is carried and approved.

994 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-110-A

995 HON CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

996 There are no more Items in our agenda. But if I may be allowed, Mr. Chair, to raise a
997 point of privilege?

998 I read in Facebook and Instagram, several people posted, conveying condolences to
999 the passing away of the Pope, Mr. Chair.

1000 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1001 It was a Fake News.

1002 HON CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1003 Nay daghan nagpost so binuang lang diay noh.

1004 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

1005 Wala pa. Fake news ra diay.

1006 HON CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1007 Anyways, Mr. Chair, this I'm sure, President Donald Trump is elected again, in the
1008 United States of America. Perhaps, we can pass a resolution Congratulating him through the
1009 U.S. Embassy in the Philippines.

1010 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

1011 So, there's a motion of the Honorable Loreto, to congratulate US President Donald
1012 Trump.

1013 So, mass motion.

1014 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-111

1015 HON. RAISSA J. VILLASIN: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1016 Mr. Chair, If I may?

1017 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

1018 Yes, the Honorable Villasin.

1019 HON. RAISSA J. VILLASIN: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1020 During the Licensure Examination for Teachers on September 2024, four Leyteños are
1021 part of the Top Ten, both Elementary level and Secondary level. This result was actually
1022 released back on December 2024.

1023 If my motion is in order, I move for a Resolution congratulating and recognizing the
1024 achievements of Maxine Joy Alborido, Top 9 for the Elementary level from Jaro, Leyte, Joselito
1025 Aspa Cellar from Capoocan, Leyte, Top 10 also for Elementary level. For Secondary level, Top
1026 4 Jomanichael Lee Platon Padilla from Barugo, Leyte and Top 6 Angel Edisa Buena from
1027 Babatngon, Leyte. I so move.

1028 HON. MJ LUILY D. LUMEN: PROV'L SANG. KABATAAN FEDERATION PRESIDENT

1029 Second.

1030 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1031 Second.

1032 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1033 Second. Mr. Chair.

1034 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

1035 There's a motion of the Honorable Villasin, duly seconded.

1036 No queries?

1037 Hearing none, the motion is carried and approved.

1038 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-112

1039 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1040 Mr. Chair, I wish to raise another point of privilege.

1041 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

1042 Yes, Honorable Loreto.

1043 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1044 I heard a news and this has been confirmed through diplomatic channel, that the United
1045 States of America has exempted Security Assistance in the Philippines from its Aid Freeze, so
1046 it should amount to 336 Million Dollars for modernizing Philippine Security Forces. Exempted
1047 from the 90-day Foreign Aid Freeze of the United States, Mr. Chair. This is very significant.

1048 So, on that note, I move that we pass a Resolution thanking President Donald Trump
1049 through the U.S. Embassy in the Philippines for exempting the Security Aid to the Philippines
1050 from its Foreign Aid Freeze. I so move.

1051 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1052 Second.

1053 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

1054 So, there's a motion of the Honorable Loreto. I think this should also be a mass motion.

1055 So, motion is carried and approved.

1056 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2025-113

1057 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1058 Another note, Mr. Chair.

1059 Included in the 90-day Foreign Aid Freeze is the foreign aid in the area of Health, Mr.
1060 Chair. I think this is very important, but it was not exempted. Perhaps, we can pass a Resolution
1061 requesting President Donald Trump through the U.S. Embassy to exempt our Foreign Aid
1062 Assistance to the Philippines in the area of Health. I so move.

1063 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1064 Second.

1065 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1066 Subject to style, Mr. Chair.

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1068 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

1069 So, there's a motion of the Honorable Loreto again, duly seconded.

1070 No questions?

1071 Hearing none, the motion is carried and approved.

1072 Approved unanimously. **RES. NO. 2025-114**

1073 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1074 Mr. Chair.

1075 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

1076 Yes, the Honorable Apostol.

1077 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

1078 I think, there's no more item in our agenda, so, I move to adjourn.

1079 HON. MJ LUINLY D. LUMEN: PROV'L. SANG. KABATAAN FEDERATION PRESIDENT

1080 Second.

1081 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

1082 There's a motion of the Honorable Apostol to adjourn this wonderful session.

1083 So, the session is now adjourned.

1084 (The session was adjourned at 11:35 o'clock in the morning.

1085 Closing prayer led by Mrs..Uyvico, Secretary to the Sangguniang.)

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I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing minutes.

APPROVED:

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