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TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE 12TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE 21ST SANGGUNIAN PANLALAWIGAN OF SURIGAO DEL SUR HELD AT THE SANGGUNIAN PANLALAWIGAN SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, CAPITOL OF THE SOUTH, KAHAYAG, BISLIG CITY, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR ON SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

PRESENT:

Hon. Margarita G. Garay - Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan
(Temporary Presiding Officer)

Regular Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members:

District I

Hon. Ruel D. Momo
Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel
Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr.
Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon

District II

Hon. Joey S. Pama
Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr.
Hon. Raul K. Salazar

Ex-Officio Members:

Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod - Indigenous Peoples Mandatory Representative (IPMR), Surigao del Sur Chapter
Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel - President, Philippine Councilors' League, Surigao del Sur Chapter

ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

Hon. Manuel O. Alameda, Sr. - Vice Governor
Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno - President, Provincial Chapter of the Liga ng mga Barangay sa Pilipinas

ABSENT:

On Vacation Leave:

Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo - Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan

On Sick Leave:

Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr. - Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan
Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez - President, Panlalawigang Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan

The session started at **9:27** in the morning.

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HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

Fellow Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, considering that the Presiding Officer, the Honorable Vice Governor is on Official Business, I humbly and respectfully nominate to preside over today's session, the Hon. Margarita G. Garay.

HON. PAMA:

I second the motion.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

The Hon. Margarita G. Garay has been nominated and duly seconded by Hon. Joey S. Pama. So, for today's session Hon. Margarita G. Garay is our Presiding Officer.

Respectfully requesting the Honorable Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members, staff, visitors to please rise.

NOTE: (Everybody stood up)

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

The 12th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan is now called to order.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

To invoke God's presence, an invocation will be led to us by Hon. Raul K. Salazar, which will be followed by the singing of the Pambansang Awit and the Surigao del Sur Hymn by the multi-media presentation.

HON. SALAZAR:

Let us bow our heads in prayer as we ask for the presence of our Almighty God.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Eternal Father and Divine Law Giver, before we start the 12th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Surigao del Sur, we thank You for calling us to serve our people. We ask You Lord to guide us in performing our duties and responsibilities as the Legislators of the province.

Lord, give us strength to remain courageous by the immensity of our problems. We beg You for the gift of our true wisdom and right judgment so that we may led always to correct decisions. We beg You for charity and understanding so that we may show one another and your people genuine respect and concern. We beg You Lord for honesty and courage and that we may opt for what we believe to be truly best for our province.

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Finally Lord, when we leave this place, give us travelling mercy. Bless our family and home to be in order as we left, Lord. All these we ask in Jesus name, we pray, one God forever and ever. Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

NOTE: (Everybody directed their attention to the widescreen and sung the Pambansang Awit and Surigao del Sur Hymn.)

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

May I request our Secretary to call the roll of Members.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

Hon. Manuel O. Alameda, Sr.	-	On Official Business
Hon. Ruel D. Momo	-	
Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel	-	Here
Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr.	-	Here
Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon	-	Present
Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr.	-	On Sick Leave
Hon. Joey S. Pama	-	Present
Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr.	-	Present
Hon. Margarita G. Garay	-	Present
Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo	-	On Vacation Leave
Hon. Raul K. Salazar	-	Present
Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod	-	Present
Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel	-	Present
Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno	-	On Official Business
Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez	-	

Honorable Presiding Officer, there are nine (9) Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members in attendance.

NOTE: (Hon. Ruel D. Momo arrived at 10:05 in the morning.)

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

With the presence of nine (9) Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members, we are in quorum.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

Next, is the approval and adoption of the Order of Business of the 12th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur dated September 23, 2025.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

To our Presiding Officer, the Honorable Lady from the City of Bislig, Hon. Margarita G. Garay. I am very pleased, Ma'am, to see you there in front and preside over our session today. Fellow Members of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan, staff, ladies and gentlemen, good

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morning. Madam, I would like to respectfully move for the approval and adoption of the Order of Business for today's session.

HON. PAMA, HON. AZARCON AND HON. GUINSOD:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

It has been moved and seconded that the Order of Business in today's session be approved.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

Next, is the approval and adoption of the Minutes of the previous session, the Minutes of the 11th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur dated September 16, 2025 prepared by Ms. Genevieve M. Cagalawan, Local Legislative Staff Officer IV.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

With respect, I would like to move for the approval and adoption of the Minutes of the previous session.

HON. H. PIMENTEL AND HON. PAMA:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

It has been moved and seconded for the adoption of the Minutes of the previous session.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

Next, is the approval and adoption of the Transcript of Proceedings of the 11th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur dated September 16, 2025 prepared by Mrs. Metzi Ann D. Obaob, Administrative Assistant V.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

In the same manner, I would like to respectfully move for the approval and adoption of the Transcript of Proceedings.

HON. GUINSOD:

I second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

The Transcript of Proceedings of the 11th Regular Session has been adopted and seconded.

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SECRETARY PEREZ II:

We have no scheduled visitor for **Question Hour/Visitors' Hour**.

Privilege Hour.

HON. AZARCON:

May I be recognized, Madam Chair?

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Hon. Azarcon, is being recognized.

HON. AZARCON:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer, and good morning. Likewise, good morning to my distinguished colleagues, and of course, the amazing staff of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan and our visitors for today. May I ask, Honorable Presiding Officer, that we go back to the Question Hour, considering the fact that Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel would have some questions to pose.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

In our Question Hour, Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel is being recognized.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

Thank you very much, Honorable Presiding Officer. I would like to thank also our Floor Leader for acknowledging me, my dear and esteemed colleagues, good morning. This is a question, Honorable Presiding Officer, and maybe later on, a manifestation. In the Order of Business, first we do the Prayer and then the Pambansang Awit and then followed by singing of the Surigao del Sur Hymn. When we sing the Surigao del Sur Hymn, there is a video presentation as a background of the tourist destinations of the Province of Surigao del Sur. I would just like to ask, Honorable Presiding Officer, I don't know if you can answer this, or maybe the Chairman of the Committee on Tourism, Culture, Arts and Heritage in the absence of the Tourism Officer. I would just like to ask, Honorable Presiding Officer, why is it that one of the famous tourist destinations in the 1st District, which is named Villa Azarcon Mountain Resort, owned and managed by the distinguished Floor Leader of this 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan is not included in the video? So first, my question is, is it an Official Video promoting the Province of Surigao del Sur? If it is and even if it is not, I would just like to manifest that one of the famous tourist destinations in the 1st District, the Villa Azarcon Mountain Resort, that has been promoted by no less than our distinguished Representative in the House of Representatives, the Honorable Congressman Romeo Salazar-Momo especially so that this is probably the first tourist destination that offers a Driving Range if one likes to or wants to play golf. So I would just like to ask, why is it not included? And since we take note that it is not included, can I just manifest and request whoever is in charge, the Provincial Tourism Officer, that the Villa Azarcon Mountain Resort be included in the official video presentation promoting the tourist destinations of the Province of Surigao del Sur. So, that is my question, Honorable Presiding Officer.

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HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Thank you, Hon. Pimentel. A question is being raised.

Hon. Jun-Jun Dumagan is being recognized to answer the question of Hon. Pimentel.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

Thank you very much, Honorable Presiding Officer. The observation of Hon. Pimentel is proper, considering that in this presentation, the Villa Azarcon was not duly promoted. But for the information of each and every one of us, the Provincial Government under the Provincial Tourism Office has been preparing, and this is, if I'm not mistaken, the third of the batch. Every presentation that they are preparing showcased different tourist attractions for the whole province. And it was properly observed that since there was no part of the presentation portraying the Villa Azarcon and we in the Committee on Tourism, Culture, Arts and Heritage would make representations with the Provincial Government that those tourist spots that has not been included for the first three presentations should be included on the fourth. Thank you very much, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

So, Honorable Pimentel...

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

Thank you very much, Honorable Presiding Officer. I would like to thank the distinguished Chairman of the Committee on Rules, Privileges and Ethics and the Chairman of the Committee on Tourism, Culture, Arts and Heritage for acknowledging the said manifestation. I would like also to thank the distinguished Members of this Sangguniang Panlalawigan for the support of this manifestation, Honorable Presiding Officer. Thank you.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

No need for a Resolution regarding that one?

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

No need.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

The Honorable Azarcon is being recognized.

HON. AZARCON:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer. I was about to object on the Question Hour, but it seems that it's beneficial to the undersigned. So no objection.

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For the Privilege Hour, Honorable Presiding Officer, may I have the honor to ask the Presiding Officer to acknowledge, recognize and give the floor to the following Members of this August Body to deliver their respective Privilege Speeches. First in line, is the gentleman from Bislig City only, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., and to be followed by the gentleman from Tago, the Municipality where the Golf Driving Range is located, (I will not mention the name of the Resort), Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel. As of the moment, that would be all, Honorable Presiding Officer and thank you.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Thank you, Hon. Azarcon.

May I call, Hon. Ricky Sayawan to give his Privilege Speech.

HON. SAYAWAN, SR.:

Thank you, Hon. Azarcon. Thank you so much, Madam Presiding Officer. Madam Presiding Officer, last September 21, 2025, there was a massive action of the people of the Philippines. Madam Presiding Officer, we have seen how chaotic it is, especially in Metropolitan Manila during that day. There were several marches of several venues and not only that, Madam Presiding Officer, it reached even up to Mindanao. We all know, Madam Presiding Officer, and we can freshly recall that day was also the declaration of the Martial Law of the Philippines March 21, 1972.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Correction, September 21, 1972.

HON. SAYAWAN SR.:

September 21, 1972. I was then four years old. But the effect of Martial Law has reached even the kids of the 80's, including this humble representation. With that, we all feel the fear of being red-tagged as one of the activists. There were several individuals who were put in prison just because they were placed under the red-tag of the government. Now, Madam Presiding Officer, as I've said, September 21, 2025, there's again another massive protest. Not for Marcos Sr., but this time for Marcos Jr.. I am afraid, Madam Presiding Officer, that this protest will still continue and I am afraid that the red tagging of the government will again be reborn with this administration. Red tagging are not only for those who have protested in the streets, but those who have protected the human rights of the people.

With this, Madam Presiding Officer, this humble representation has been contemplating how are we going to protect those protector of human rights. Madam Presiding Officer, this humble representation has also been red-tagged on my first term as Board Member, considering my background that I was then supporter of the Bayan Muna. With this, Madam Presiding Officer, I would like to pass an Ordinance, "An Ordinance Protecting the Rights and Fundamental Freedom of Human Rights Defenders Operating in the Province of Surigao del Sur Through the Establishment of the Protective Mechanisms and Appropriating Funds for the Purpose". I hope, Madam Presiding Officer, that this will be calendared for First Reading for this session. I hope that we can call for a Committee Meeting the soonest possible time. Thank you, Madam Presiding Officer, and once again, good morning.

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HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Thank you, Hon. Ricky Sayawan for proposing an Ordinance protecting the rights and so on. Mr. Secretary, take note of the Ordinance of Hon. Ricky Sayawan as he is proposing it to be attended as early as possible.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

Noted, Your Honor.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Second, the Honorable Henrich M. Pemintel is being recognized.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

Thank you very much, Honorable Presiding Officer. Once again, good morning, Honorable Presiding Officer, my dear and esteemed colleagues. Honorable Presiding Officer, I rise in Privilege to avail the Privilege Hour to accommodate the three (3) letter-requests from the Honorable Provincial Governor, Jhonny T. Pimentel, if I may read the three letters, Honorable Presiding Officer, may I proceed, Honorable Presiding Officer?

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

You may proceed, Hon. Pimentel.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

(Reading the letter)

The first letter is dated September 12, 2025 from the Provincial Governor's Office to the Honorable Members, Office of the Provincial Council of this province thru Hon. Manuel O. Alameda, Sr., Vice Governor and Presiding Officer. Sir, greetings! May we request for a passage of a Sangguniang Panlalawigan Resolution authorizing the Provincial Governor to enter into and sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), with the Philippine Center for Postharvest Development and Mechanization duly represented by its Director IV, Dionisio G. Alvendia, Ph.D., and the Department of Agriculture, duly represented by its Regional Executive Director Arlan M. Mangelen regarding the implementation of the Registration of Ownership of Agricultural and Fisheries Machinery and Equipment System (RAFMS). Attached is a copy of the draft MOA for your perusal. We are hoping for your immediate favorable action on the matter. Truly yours, signed, Jhonny T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor.

Attached is the endorsement from Atty. Limuel L. Auza, our Provincial Legal Officer, and of course the draft Memorandum of Agreement.

Second letter, Honorable Presiding Officer, is dated September 16, 2025. Letter reads: Honorable Members, Office of the Provincial Council of this province, thru Hon. Manuel O. Alameda, Sr., Vice Governor and Presiding Officer. Sir, Greetings! May we request for an urgent passage of a Sangguniang Panlalawigan Resolution regarding the allocation to the Sustainment Activities in support of Local Peace Engagement and Transformation Program of

Jhonny T. Pimentel



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the Hamugaway Peace and Development Center from Six Million Three Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Seven Pesos and Seventy Eight Centavos (P6,377,777.78) to Six Million Three Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Pesos Only (P6,375,000.00). Attached is the letter of Ms. Anne Uytico and the approved MOA for your perusal. We are hoping for your immediate favorable action on the matter. Truly yours, signed, Johnny T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor.

Attached to the letter is the letter-request from Ann Uytico, Acting Area Head, AMU-Caraga, and the previous Resolution already passed but with an erroneous amount. So, the request is to pass another Resolution with the corrected amount, Honorable Presiding Officer.

Third and the last letter-request, Honorable Presiding Officer, again coming from Hon. Johnny T. Pimentel, our Provincial Governor, is to amend Ordinance No. 71-21, dated August 10, 2021, entitled "Creating the Positions of Chemists IV, SG 22, Chemists III, SG 18, Medical Technologists III, SG 18, Medical Technologist I, SG 11, and Laboratory Aide II, SG 4, Under the Provincial Water Analysis Laboratory of the Provincial Health Office (PHO), this Province, by Changing the Qualification Standards for the Positions of Chemist IV and Chemist III, to Conform with Civil Service Commission Memorandum Circular No. 11-2018".

But since this is an Ordinance, Honorable Presiding Officer, this has to pass the mandatory three (3) Readings. So, I would just like to manifest that today as we speak, this Ordinance is being read for First Reading and be calendared for a Committee Meeting in the next Committee Meeting to be conducted in Tandag City and that would be on September 30, 2025 that is scheduled for Committee Meeting. So that is all from this representation, Honorable Presiding Officer, the two will be sponsored by yours truly in Unassigned Business/Privilege Business in today's session.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

So, two (2) Resolutions for Unassigned Business/Privilege Business in today's session?

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

May I request for a 1-minute suspension of the session, Honorable Presiding Officer?

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

House Rules suspended.

NOTE: (House Rules was suspended at 9:52 in the morning and resumed at 9:56 in the morning.)

Session resumed.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

Thank you very much, Honorable Presiding Officer. I already made my manifestation Honorable Presiding Officer and it has already been concurred in by the distinguished Chairman of the Committee on Rules, Privileges and Ethics. So, the request of this humble representation stands that the last request is to be calendared for First Reading... The manifestation is that, as I

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already read the title of the Ordinance. The implication is that, today is the First Reading and the same be calendared for Second Reading in the next session in Tandag City, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Thank you, Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel. So there are two (2) Resolutions to be calendared for Unassigned Business/Privilege Business. The other one is an Ordinance to be calendared for Second Reading next session in Tandag City.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

Yes, thank you very much, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Okay, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel is being recognized.

HON. J.P. PIMENTEL:

Good morning everyone. Good morning, to the Presiding Officer and to the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan. I just talked to Dr. de Jesus regarding this matter, and this already have been created *na*. So *siguro*, we can log this to the First Reading. I talked to Dr. de Jesus, *ya okay na sa kuno ini*. We don't know why there's a letter on this one. Okay, *na daw ini*.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

So, the recommendation of Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel is to calendar this on Second Reading next session. So, if there are clarifications, the clarifications can be done next session.

HON. J.P. PIMENTEL:

Okay. So this will not be passed today?

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Yes, that is calendared for Second Reading next session. If clarifications will be made, it can be done during the passing for Second Reading next session.

HON. J.P. PIMENTEL:

Second Reading. So next week *na nato ini i-approve. Sige*. That's all, Madam Chair. Thank you.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Hon. Ricky Sayawan is being recognized.

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HON. SAYAWAN, SR.:

Thank you Madam Chair. This is for First Reading, so I may request the proponent that it should be or it will go through a Committee Meeting next week, not necessarily for Second Reading, so that we can thoroughly discuss this during the Committee Meeting. We can schedule it on Monday if he wishes to fast track the approval of this Ordinance. So that, by Tuesday, we can approve it on Second Reading and eventually on Third and Final Reading.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel there are two recommendations already approved, that it is to be calendared for Second Reading, there is another...

HON. SAYAWAN, SR.:

Because Madam Chair, usually the process of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan is that, when it is calendared for First Reading, to follow is a Committee Meeting. Then after the Committee Meeting, there would be a recommendation coming from the Committee.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

There are two recommendations, may I request the Committee on Rules...

HON. SAYAWAN, SR.:

I suggest Madam Presiding Officer, that we will not reroute the Rules of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, *dili nato, dali-dali-on*. For Committee Meeting, Madam Chair.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Committee on Rules, Privileges and Ethics, kindly decide.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

Honorable Presiding Officer, we have our own Rules and we have our own intent. But the purpose is for the clarification of the request coming from the Office of the Governor and to give us ample time in considering the details and the facts, I go with the motion of the Honorable Gentleman Sayawan for him and us to be present in Tandag City on Monday to give us ample time to study the matter.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

So the final recommendation is to calendar it for Committee Meeting on Monday?

Hon. Sayawan, you are being called by Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel.

HON. J. P. PIMENTEL:

Who are we going to invite?

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HON. SAYAWAN, SR.:

Human Resource and Management Officer, Provincial Health Officer and Representative coming from the Wellness Center, Madam Chair, because I also have some questions with this in relation also with the Wellness Center of the City of Bislig.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

So, it will be calendared for Committee Meeting on Monday afternoon. Inviting the PHRMO Sir Ace, PHO Dr. de Jesus, and Wellness Representative.

HON. SAYAWAN, SR.:

The Head of the Wellness Center – Surigao del Sur.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

We acknowledge the arrival of Hon. Ruel D. Momo.

HON. AZARCON:

Point of order.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Yes, Hon. Azarcon.

HON. AZARCON:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer. I believe the proper and appropriate procedure is for us to calendar the matter for First Reading in today's session, so that it will go to the Committee, then the Committee will be the one to schedule the Committee Hearing. So the appropriate action now is to calendar this in today's session for First Reading so that it will be assigned to the Committee. I think it will be the Committee on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability (Lead Committee) together with the Committee on Health, Sanitation and Nutrition, so that will be the two (2) Committees.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

That's better. The recommendation of the Hon. Azarcon is to calendar the matter for First Reading in today's session, to be assigned to the Committee on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability as the Lead Committee and the Committee on Health, Sanitation and Nutrition. So that's the recommendation.

HON. AZARCON:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer.

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HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Welcome, Hon. Azarcon.

I think everything is in order. So, session is resumed.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

I would just like to amend the manifestation. I already read the title of the Ordinance for First Reading in today's session. The same be calendared for Committee Meeting on Monday, 1:30 P.M. next Committee Meeting in Tandag City that would be on September 29, 2025 persons to be invited are Dr. de Jesus, Sir Ace R. Orcullo, and the one being manifested by Hon. Sayawan. I so manifest, Honorable Presiding Officer. Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

You're welcome. The Ordinance is already for First Reading and being referred to the Committee.

Okay, let's proceed.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

For the **Calendar of Business**,

We have none for **Unfinished Business**,

Business for the Day,

Committee Reports.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

Honorable Presiding Officer, there were eight (8) Reports submitted by their respective Chairs of the different Committees. With this, I would like to respectfully move that all the Reports as submitted be admitted and accepted, viz:

1. Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure;
2. Committees on Differently Abled or Persons with Disabilities and Senior Citizens, and Social Services and Community Development (Lead Committee)/Good Government, Public Ethics & Accountability;
3. Committee on Sports, Games and Amusement;
4. Committees on Transportation, Traffic, Ports and Terminal;
5. Committee on Tourism, Culture, Arts and Heritage;
6. Committees on Urban Planning and Development (Lead Committee)/Finance and Appropriation;
7. Committee on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability; and
8. Committees on Laws and Justice and Human Rights (Lead Committee)/Health, Sanitation and Nutrition.

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ALL:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

It has been moved and seconded, the Committee Reports has been accepted.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

Next, is the referral to appropriate Committees of ten (10) items, viz:

Referred To: Committee on Energy and Power

1. 1st Indorsement from Hon. Manuel O. Alameda Sr., Provincial Vice Governor, this Province, dated September 11, 2025, forwarding to Mr. Edgar G. Perez II, J.D., Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, the basic communication dated September 11, 2025, from Mr. Roel E. Abad, General Manager of SURSECO II, Inc. submitting the Application for the Approval and Confirmation of "In the Matter of Application for Approval of the Over Under Recoveries Based on the Formula on the various Automatic Cost adjustments and True-up Mechanism and Corresponding Confirmation Process Pursuant to ERC Resolution No. 16, Series of 2009, as Amended by Resolution No. 21 and 23, Series of 2010, Resolution No. 10, Series of 2018, Resolution No. 02, Series of 2021 and Resolution No. 14 Series of 2022, for the Years 2022, 2023, and 2024" docketed as ERC Case No. 2025-016CF, for the Body's information and appropriate action.

Referred To: Committee on Cooperatives and Livelihood

2. Letter from Lerio C. Latumbo, Officer-In-Charge, Balay Mindanaw Foundation, Inc., (BMFI), 53A, 12th Street, Zone 2, Upper Bulua, Cagayan de Oro City dated August 8, 2025 addressed to Hon. Manuel O. Alameda, Sr., Vice Governor, this Province, seeking reaccreditation by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan. for the Body's information and appropriate action.

Referred To: Committee on Transportation, Traffic, Ports and Terminals

3. Ordinance No. 07 dated September 8, 2025 of the Municipality of Madrid, this Province entitled "An Ordinance for the Temporary Closure of Certain Roads Within the Poblacion Area Namely, Capt. Buniel Street, Urbiztondo Street, San Isidro Street, and Frias Street, in Connection with the Celebration of Pasidungog Festival, to be held from September 8 to September 20, 2025, in the Municipality of Madrid, Surigao del Sur".

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**Referred To: Committees on Urban Planning and Development (Lead Committee)/
Finance and Appropriation**

4. Resolution No. 150 dated August 27, 2025 of the City of Tandag, this Province entitled “Approving the CY 2026 1st Supplemental Annual Investment Program of the City of Tandag with a Total Amount of One Hundred Forty-Five Million Six Hundred Thousand Pesos (₱145,600,000.00)”.
5. Resolution No. 90 dated September 15, 2025 of the Municipality of Bayabas, this Province entitled “Resolution Adopting MDC Resolution No. 03, Series of 2025 entitled: Adopting and Endorsing to the Sangguniang Bayan the FY 2026 Annual Investment Program (AIP) with the Programs, Projects, and Activities (PPAs) and Indicative Expenditure Requirement Under the Regular Operational Budget, the 20% Development Fund, the Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (MDRRM) Fund, the Local Economic Enterprise and PPAs for Funding from External Sources.

Referred To: Committee on Environmental Protection and Ecology

6. Ordinance No. 020 dated August 20, 2025 of the City of Tandag, this Province entitled “An Ordinance Amending Section 42. C of Ordinance No. 001, Series of 2020 entitled Adopting the Ecological Solid Waste Management Program of Tandag City, Surigao del Sur, Providing Fines and Penalties for Violating Any of the Provision Thereof, and Providing Funds Thereof”.

Referred To: Committee on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability

7. Ordinance No. 01 dated September 16, 2025 of the Municipality of Cortes, this Province entitled “An Ordinance Creating the Positions of Engineer IV, Salary Grade -22, in the Office of the Municipal Engineer, Budget Officer IV, Salary Grade-22, in the Office of the Municipal Budget Officer, and Administrative Officer IV, (Administrative Officer II), Salary Grade -15, in the Office of the Municipal Mayor and Defining their Qualification Standards, Function and Responsibilities and for other Purposes.
8. Ordinance No. 02 dated September 16, 2025 of the Municipality of Cortes, this Province entitled “An Ordinance Creating the Positions of Aquaculturist II, Salary Grade -15, in the Office of the Municipal Agriculturist, Cortes, Surigao del Sur and Defining the Qualifications Standards, Function and Responsibilities and for Other Purposes.
9. Ordinance No. 03 dated September 16, 2025 of the Municipality of Cortes, this Province entitled “An Ordinance Creating the Positions of Local Legislative Staff Officer III, Salary Grade -16, and Administrative Assistant IV (Bookbinder IV), Salary Grade -10, in the Office of the Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan of Cortes, Surigao del Sur and Defining their Qualification Standards, Function and Responsibilities and for Other Purposes.

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NOTE: (Additional Referral as manifested in the Privilege Hour by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel.

**Referred To: Committees on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability
(Lead Committee)/Health, Sanitation and Nutrition**

10. Letter of Hon. Johnny T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor, this Province addressed to the Honorable Members of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan thru Hon. Manuel O. Alameda, Sr. requesting for the passage of an Ordinance entitled “Amending Ordinance No. 71-21, dated August 10, 2021, Entitled ‘Creating the Positions of Chemists IV, SG 22, Chemists III, SG 18, Medical Technologists III, SG 18, Medical Technologist I, SG 11, and Laboratory Aide II, SG 4, Under the Provincial Water Analysis Laboratory of the Provincial Health Office (PHO), this Province, by Changing the Qualification Standards for the Positions of Chemist IV and Chemist III, to Conform with Civil Service Commission Memorandum Circular No. 11-2018”.

four (4) items **For Information**, viz:

1. Memorandum No. 20 from Hon. Johnny T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor, this Province dated September 15, 2025 addressed to all Department Heads. The latter informed the Body that the Provincial Health and Wellness Center (PHWC) will conduct PhilHealth YAKAP Profiling and Medical Consultation for all employees of the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur. The activity forms part of the Provincial Government’s commitment to preventive health care and its alignment with the PhilHealth YAKAP Program, for the Body’s information.
2. Letter from Ms. Charlyn L. Literato, Former Vice Mayor of the Municipality of Lanuza dated September 12, 2025 addressed to Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Chairman Committee on Finance and Appropriation, this Province, furnishing a copy of the Affidavit Complaint relative to the acts of the Municipal Budget Officer. This is being transmitted for transparency and reference in connection with the Supplemental Budget No. 4 submitted therein, for the Body’s information.
3. Letter from RD. Maria Fe D. Jagna, CESO III, Regional Director, Department of Budget and Management (DBM), Regional Office XIII, Butuan City, dated September 9, 2025 addressed to the Honorable Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, through Honorable Johnny T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor, all of this Province, informing the August Body on their review of the FY 2025 Supplemental Budget No. 3 of the General Fund of the Province of Surigao del Sur, involving an appropriation of ₱71,721,094.11 under Appropriation Ordinance (AO) No. 06-25 approved on September 2, 2025, reveals substantial compliance with the same law and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, subject to the following comments and recommendations: Accordingly, the said Appropriation Ordinance is declared operative in its entirety effective on the date fixed therein, subject to the posting requirement under Section 59 of R.A 7160. The latter also informed that the review action does not authorize any item of appropriation that is specifically prohibited by or inconsistent with the provisions of laws. Disbursement of appropriations herein authorized shall be subject to the availability of funds and other pertinent laws, rules, and regulations. Compliance with all existing laws, administrative rules and

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regulations shall be the sole responsibility of the implementing officials of the Provincial Government, for the Body's information.

4. Memorandum from Usec. Ador G. Canlas, CESO IV, Undersecretary for Regional Operation in Visayas and Mindanao, Department of Public Works and Highways, Central Office, Manila dated August 19, 2025 addressed to Regional Director Alex B. Ramos, DPWH, Regional Office XIII with Subject: Resolution No. 3161-25 in Tandag City, Surigao del Sur, for the Body's information and appropriate action.

and for **Second Reading**, we have ten (10) items.

(Reading Item No. 1)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Accrediting Mangagoy Farmers Fisherfolks and Community Multi-Purpose Cooperative (MAFFISCO-MPC), Mangagoy, Bislig City, as a Civil Society Organization of the Province of Surigao del Sur".

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Hon. Salazar is being recognized.

HON. SALAZAR:

Thank you, Madam Presiding Officer. Last Committee Meeting in Tandag City the Committee on Cooperatives and Livelihood, first referral of the MAFFISCO-MPC for accreditation, Madam Presiding Officer, the recommendation of the Committee is to re-calendar this for Second Reading and invite the Representative or the General Manager of MAFFISCO-MPC. Since, Mr. Garrido is here, Madam Presiding Officer, I would like to move that Mr. Garrido will be recognized for some questions and clarifications from the Members of the Board.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

There is a request from the Chairman of the Committee on Cooperatives and Livelihood that we are going to recognize the Chairman from MAFFISCO-MPC?

HON. SALAZAR:

Yes, Madam Presiding Officer.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Since we are in Second Reading, can we suspend the House Rules?

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HON. SALAZAR:

Yes, Madam Presiding Officer, which is stipulated on the recommendation for the First Reading. Besides that, Madam Presiding Officer, it is required on the application that one of the requirements is the appearance of the Representative from any applicant. So now, I move that...

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

May I request the Chairman of the Committee on Rules, Privileges and Ethics that we are going to suspend the Rules in order to give way to the request of the Committee Chairman.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

Based on our Rules, Honorable Presiding Officer, the Second Reading is a venue where the Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan will be given the opportunity to determine the validity of the passage of the legislative measure. If the purpose of giving time to Mangagoy Farmers Fisherfolks and Community Multi-Purpose Cooperative is to enlighten us on few matters that we are in doubt with, it is proper to yield the floor to them without necessarily suspending the Rules.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

1-minute recess, is being asked .

NOTE: (Recess at 10:10 in the morning and resumed at 10:15 in the morning.)

Session resumed.

HON. SALAZAR:

Thank you, Madam Presiding Officer. Madam Presiding Officer, since the applicant submitted all the documents needed and I believe that the Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur has no question, then this Committee will now recommend for the approval of this application for Second Reading. I move, Madam Presiding Officer.

HON. AZARCON:

I second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

So it has been moved and seconded that the Resolution of MAFFISCO will be calendared for Second Reading in today's session. It has been approved.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

(Reading Item No. 2)

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Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled “Affirming Ordinance No. 06 Dated July 22, 2025 of the Municipality of Madrid, this Province, Entitled ‘An Ordinance Institutionalizing the Madrid Palambo Center as a Public Service Office Under the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (MSWDO) of the Municipality of Madrid, Surigao del Sur’, it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991”.

HON. SAYAWAN, SR.:

Honorable Presiding Officer, I so move for its approval for Second Reading.

HON. AZARCON:

I second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

The Resolution has been moved and seconded for Second Reading. Approved.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

(Reading Item No. 3)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod and Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno entitled “Affirming Ordinance No. LP-02 Dated September 2, 2025 of the Municipality of Tago, this Province Entitled ‘An Ordinance Granting Franchise to Mr. Ryan C. Portillo to Operate and Maintain a Cockpit Arena at Purok Kalipayan, Barangay Unaban, Tago, Surigao del Sur’, it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991”.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

Honorable Presiding Officer, upon instruction of the Committee Chair, the Hon. Cañedo, I would like to respectfully move for the passage of a Resolution affirming Ordinance No. LP-02 of the Municipality of Tago.

HON. AZARCON AND HON. H. PIMENTEL:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Moved and seconded. It is approved.

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SECRETARY PEREZ II:

(Reading Item No. 4)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled “Affirming Ordinance No. 05 Dated July 22, 2025 of the Municipality of Madrid, this Province Entitled ‘An Ordinance Declaring “Madrid Palamboon” as the Official Tagline of the Municipality of Madrid, Surigao del Sur’, it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991”.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

Madrid Palamboon, Honorable Presiding Officer, is the official tagline of the Municipality of Madrid as expressed in their Ordinance No. 05. With this, I would like to respectfully move for the passage of a Resolution approving the same.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

I second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

It is approved.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

(Reading Item No. 5)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled “Affirming Resolution No. 2025-479 Dated August 19, 2025 of the City of Bislig, this Province Entitled “Resolution Approving CDC Execom Resolution No. 8, Series of 2025, Entitled “Endorsing the Supplemental Annual Investment Program (AIP) No. 6 for CY 2025 of the City of Bislig Amounting to Twenty-One Million Four Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Five Pesos and 35/100 (₱21,475,365.35)” to the Sangguniang Panlungsod for Approval””, It Being Within The Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Panlungsod Concerned Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991, Subject to Verification During the Submission of the Appropriation Ordinance to Ensure Plan-Budget Linkage Wherein the Local Budgets Truly Operationalize Approved Local Development Plans (Section 305 (i) R.A. 7160) and are Consistent with the Budget Operations Manual (BOM) for LGUs 2023 Edition”.

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HON. AZARCON:

As Chair of the Committee on Urban Planning and Development, if there are no objections from the floor, I would like to move for the approval of Resolution affirming the SAIP No. 6 of the City of Bislig for Second Reading.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR. AND HON. PAMA:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

It has been approved for Second Reading.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

(Reading Item No. 6)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled “Declaring Appropriation Ordinance No. 2025-02 Dated June 17, 2025 of the Municipality of Lingig, this Province Entitled ‘An Ordinance Amending Section 3 Item No. 3 and 4 of Appropriation Ordinance No. 2023-03, Series of 2023 of the Municipality of Lingig’, Invalid, on the Ground that an Appropriation Ordinance is Valid Only for One (1) Year from the Date of its Enactment”.

HON. AZARCON:

As Chair of the Committee on Finance and Appropriation, if there are no objections from the floor, I would like to move for approval of a Resolution declaring Appropriation Ordinance No. 2025-02 of the Municipality of Lingig as invalid.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

I second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Approved.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

(Reading Item No. 7)

Appropriation Ordinance No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled “An Ordinance Authorizing Supplemental Budget No. 4 Series of 2025 Involving an Amount of Fourteen

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Million Nine Hundred Nineteen Thousand One Hundred Twenty Five Pesos and 93/100 (₱14,919,125.93), for the Implementation of Programs/ Projects/Activities of the Province”.

HON. AZARCON:

As Chair of the Committee on Finance and Appropriation, if there are no objections from the floor, I would like to move for approval in Second Reading Appropriation Ordinance of the Province of Surigao del Sur as a Supplemental Budget No. 4.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR. AND HON. PAMA:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Approved for Second Reading.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

(Reading Item No. 8)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled “Affirming Ordinance No. 25 Dated July 28, 2025 of the Municipality of San Miguel, this Province Entitled ‘An Ordinance Creating the Position Title of Administrative Officer IV (Budget Officer II), SG-15, Under the Office of the Municipal Budget and Appropriating Funds Thereof’, it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991”.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

Thank you very much, Mr. Secretary. Honorable Presiding Officer, I would like to move for the approval of the said Resolution for Second Reading. I so move, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

I second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Approved for Second Reading.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

(Reading Item No. 9)

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Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled “Returning Ordinance No. 29 Dated August 11, 2025 of the Municipality of San Miguel, this Province Entitled ‘An Ordinance Creating the Additional Plantilla Positions, Namely: 1) Engineer II, SG-16; 2) Administrative Aide IV (Clerk II), SG-4; 3) Engineering Aide, SG-4, all Under the Office of the Municipal Engineer and Appropriating Funds Thereof’, for Rectification”.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

Thank you very much, Mr. Secretary. Honorable Presiding Officer, I would like to move for the passage and approval of the said Resolution for Second Reading. I so move, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

I second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Approved for Second Reading.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

(Reading Item No. 10)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled “Authorizing Hon. Johnny T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor, this Province to Enter Into and Sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), By and Among the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur, the Davao Regional Medical Center (DRMC), Tagum City, Represented by its Medical Center Chief II, Dr. Bryan O. Dalid, MAHA, FPCS, FPSGS, FPALES, FSOSP and the Department of Health-Center for Health Development CARAGA (DOH-CHD-CARAGA), Butuan City, Duly Represented by its Regional Director Sadaila K. Raki-in, MD, MCHM, MDM, CESO IV, on the Referral and Enrolment of CARAGA Cancer Patients to the CARAGA Cancer Assistance Fund (CAF) Pursuant to Republic Act No. 11215, Otherwise Known as the ‘National Integrated Cancer Control Act’”.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

Thank you very much, Mr. Secretary. Honorable Presiding Officer, I would like to move for the passage and approval of the said Resolution for Second Reading. I so move, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

I second the motion.

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HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

It has been moved and seconded. Approved for Second Reading.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

Thank you very much, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. AZARCON:

May I be recognized, Honorable Presiding Officer?

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Hon. Azarcon is being recognized.

HON. AZARCON:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer. At this juncture, I would like to move for the suspension of the House Rules.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

House Rules suspended.

NOTE: (House Rules was suspended at 10:25 in the morning.)

HON. AZARCON:

Thank you. While the House Rules is suspended, a while ago, we approved in Second Reading nine (9) Resolutions and one (1) Ordinance, without much discussion, considering that they were proper, appropriate, and well-prepared, and had been thoroughly discussed during the Committee Meeting. So now I feel and believe that all these nine (9) Resolutions and one (1) Ordinance may be calendared for Third and Final Reading in today's session. So for that matter, I respectfully move that the nine (9) Resolutions and one (1) Ordinance be now calendared for Third and Final Reading in today's session.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR. AND HON. H. PIMENTEL:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

So the nine (9) Resolutions and one (1) Ordinance will be calendared for Third Reading in today's session.

HON. AZARCON:

Thank you. With that, I now move for the restoration of the House Rules.

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HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

House Rules restored.

NOTE: (House Rules was restored at 10:26 in the morning.)

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

Honorable Presiding Officer, as earlier mentioned, there were ten (10) legislative measures that will be deliberated and pass as part of today's Second Reading. With this, I would like to respectfully move for the passage of an omnibus motion approving the nine (9) Resolutions and the single Ordinance that was part and parcel of the Second Reading of today's session. I respectfully move, viz:

1. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Accrediting Mangagoy Farmers Fisherfolks and Community Multi-Purpose Cooperative (MAFFISCO-MPC), Mangagoy, Bislig City, as a Civil Society Organization of the Province of Surigao del Sur".
2. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 06 Dated July 22, 2025 of the Municipality of Madrid, this Province, Entitled 'An Ordinance Institutionalizing the Madrid Palambo Center as a Public Service Office Under the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (MSWDO) of the Municipality of Madrid, Surigao del Sur', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991".
3. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod and Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. LP-02 Dated September 2, 2025 of the Municipality of Tago, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Granting Franchise to Mr. Ryan C. Portillo to Operate and Maintain a Cockpit Arena at Purok Kalipayan, Barangay Unaban, Tago, Surigao del Sur', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991".
4. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 05 Dated July 22, 2025 of the Municipality of Madrid, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Declaring "Madrid Palambo" as the

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Official Tagline of the Municipality of Madrid, Surigao del Sur', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991".

5. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Resolution No. 2025-479 Dated August 19, 2025 of the City of Bislig, this Province Entitled "Resolution Approving CDC Execom Resolution No. 8, Series of 2025, Entitled "Endorsing the Supplemental Annual Investment Program (AIP) No. 6 for CY 2025 of the City of Bislig Amounting to Twenty-One Million Four Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Five Pesos and 35/100 (₱21,475,365.35)" to the Sangguniang Panlungsod for Approval"', It Being Within The Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Panlungsod Concerned Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991, Subject to Verification During the Submission of the Appropriation Ordinance to Ensure Plan-Budget Linkage Wherein the Local Budgets Truly Operationalize Approved Local Development Plans (Section 305 (i) R.A. 7160) and are Consistent with the Budget Operations Manual (BOM) for LGUs 2023 Edition".
6. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Declaring Appropriation Ordinance No. 2025-02 Dated June 17, 2025 of the Municipality of Lingig, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Amending Section 3 Item No. 3 and 4 of Appropriation Ordinance No. 2023-03, Series of 2023 of the Municipality of Lingig', Invalid, on the Ground that an Appropriation Ordinance is Valid Only for One (1) Year from the Date of its Enactment".
7. Appropriation Ordinance No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "An Ordinance Authorizing Supplemental Budget No. 4 Series of 2025 Involving an Amount of Fourteen Million Nine Hundred Nineteen Thousand One Hundred Twenty Five Pesos and 93/100 (₱14,919,125.93), for the Implementation of Programs/ Projects/Activities of the Province".
8. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 25 Dated July 28, 2025 of the Municipality of San Miguel, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Creating the Position Title of Administrative Officer IV (Budget Officer II), SG-15, Under the Office of the Municipal Budget and Appropriating Funds Thereof', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991".

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9. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled “Returning Ordinance No. 29 Dated August 11, 2025 of the Municipality of San Miguel, this Province Entitled ‘An Ordinance Creating the Additional Plantilla Positions, Namely: 1) Engineer II, SG-16; 2) Administrative Aide IV (Clerk II), SG-4; 3) Engineering Aide, SG-4, all Under the Office of the Municipal Engineer and Appropriating Funds Thereof’, for Rectification”.
10. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled “Authorizing Hon. Johnny T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor, this Province to Enter Into and Sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), By and Among the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur, the Davao Regional Medical Center (DRMC), Tagum City, Represented by its Medical Center Chief II, Dr. Bryan O. Dalid, MAHA, FPCS, FPSGS, FPALES, FSOSP and the Department of Health-Center for Health Development CARAGA (DOH-CHD-CARAGA), Butuan City, Duly Represented by its Regional Director Sadaila K. Raki-In, MD, MCHM, MDM, CESO IV, on the Referral and Enrolment of CARAGA Cancer Patients to the CARAGA Cancer Assistance Fund (CAF) Pursuant to Republic Act No. 11215, Otherwise Known as the ‘National Integrated Cancer Control Act’”.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

I second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

So, those who are in favor are requested to raise their right hands.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

(Counting)

IN FAVOR:

Hon. Ruel D. Momo
Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel
Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr.
Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon
Hon. Joey S. Pama
Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr.
Hon. Raul K. Salazar
Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod
Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel

AGAINST:

None

ABSTAINED:

None

Nine (9) Members voted in favor, your Honor.

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HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

So, it is approved for Third Reading in today's session.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

For the **Unassigned Business/Privilege Business**, we have two (2) Resolutions.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

Honorable Presiding Officer, earlier Privilege Speech were given and the following Resolutions as authored. (Reading each item)

1. Resolution authored by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel entitled "Authorizing Hon. Johnny T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor, this Province to Enter Into and Sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), for and in Behalf of the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur with the Philippine Center for Post Harvest Development and Mechanization Represented by its Director Dionisio G. Alvindia, Ph.D. and the Department of Agriculture Represented by its Regional Executive Director Arlan M. Mangelen Regarding the Implementation of the Registration of Ownership of Agricultural and Fisheries Machinery and Equipment System (RAFMES)".
2. Resolution authored by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel entitled "Authorizing Hon. Johnny T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor, this Province to Enter Into and Sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), for and in Behalf of the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur with the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity (OPAPRU), Represented by OPAPRU Sec. Carlito G. Galvez, Jr. Regarding the Allocation of Six Million Three Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Pesos (P6,375,000.00) for the Sustainment Activities in Support of Local Peace Engagement and Transformation Program of the Hamugaway Peace and Development Center".

for record

With this, I would like to respectfully move for the passage of an omnibus motion approving the two (2) Resolutions.

HON. PAMA:

I second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

For those who are in favor of the two (2) Resolutions kindly raise your right hands.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

(Counting)



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Hon. Raul K. Salazar
Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod
Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel

AGAINST:

None

ABSTAINED:

None

Nine (9) Members voted in favor, your Honor.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Approved.

SECRETARY PEREZ II:

Next, is **Other Matters**.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

I think the Honorable Gentleman from Bislig City has few information that is relevant on matters earlier discussed. I respectfully move to yield the floor to Hon. Sayawan.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Hon. Sayawan is being recognized.

HON. SAYAWAN, SR.:

Thank you Honorable Dumagan and thank you also Madam Presiding Officer. I just would like to inform the Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan that what we have approved earlier about the accreditation of the MAFFISCO, we are pretty sure that this should be approved Madam Presiding Officer through the endorsement of course of the Chairman Raul "Kidlat" Salazar, because Madam Presiding Officer, MAFFISCO is a recipient of a P240 Million Pesos of a Tuna Processing Plant, now they are already starting the program, the project. The only requirement for them is to have an equity of P20 Million since they were able to present the P20 Million, then their grant has already been approved.

Then another information Madam Presiding Officer is on September 25, 2025 at 8:00 o'clock in the morning is the presentation of the PPAs of the PSA. So the presentation of the PPAs, products, projects, not the PPAs of the AIP but the PPAs is product... *basta* presentation just like last year, they are presenting it to us every year and they will be presenting to us for this year the increase or decrease of whether it is coming from tourism and other work related, agriculture and fisheries. It will be held at Shacene in Tandag City. So everybody is invited for the presentation of the PPAs coming from PSA.

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Then another is, on the same day September 25, 2025 at 10:00 a.m., to be held at Provincial Governor's Office Conference Room is the Performance Management Team Meeting or Re-orientation. This is addressed to all Department Heads, and then the discussion focused on the revisit of the SPMS Manual, presentation of Performance Management Situationers and the Re-orientation of PMT Duties and Responsibilities and other matters. It was signed by the Honorable Governor Johnny T. Pimentel.

So, addressed to all Department Heads, (we are Heads of our Department), every Office of the OMSP is a Department.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

So we have two activities for September 25, 2025, the same in the morning, the invitation by Philippine Statistics Authority. Every Board Member is requested to stand, it is very informative. The status, statistics, numbers, we will be informed regarding the status of our Provincial Government.

Another Meeting being called by the Governor at 10:00 o'clock in the morning, September 25, 2025 in Tandag City.

Any other information? No more.

Thank you MAFFISCO for being here today, Congratulations.

How about *kuno sa* Dinagat? Ricky, reminders for the PBMLP in Dinagat.

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

Madam Chair, I would just like to wish you good luck for those going to Dinagat, considering it is October, it's typhoon season. Please bring your own life jackets and make sure that your insurance policies are updated.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER GARAY:

Okay, life jackets, whoever is attending.

Any other information and announcements?

HON. DUMAGAN, JR.:

With that, Honorable Presiding Officer, with the permission coming from the Majority Floor Leader, I would like to make an announcement that the 13th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan, this Province will be held on September 30, 2025 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning at the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Session Hall, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City, this Province.

With this, I would like to respectfully move for the adjournment of today's session.

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ALL:

We second the motion.

HON. VICE GOVERNOR ALAMEDA, SR.:

Session is officially adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT: - - - - - 10:35 in the morning.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the transcript of proceedings taken down by the undersigned during the 12th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur on the above-stated time, date and place.


METZI ANN D. OBAOB
Administrative Assistant V

NOTED:


EDGAR G. PEREZ II, J.D.
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan


APPROVED:

MARGARITA G. GARAY
Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan
(Temporary Presiding Officer)

RUEL D. MOMO, CE
SP Member

JOEY S. PAMA
SP Member

HENRICH M. PIMENTEL
SP Member

GINES RICKY J. SAYAWAN, SR.
SP Member



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