



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Ilocos Norte
MUNICIPALITY OF SAN NICOLAS

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE THIRD REGULAR SESSION OF THE
12TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN NICOLAS, ILOCOS NORTE
HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL SESSION HALL ON THE 17TH DAY OF JULY, 2023
AT 10:30 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING.

PRESENT:

Hon. Napoleon L. Hernando	Vice-Mayor/Presiding Officer;
Hon. Luciano R. Caraang	Member;
Hon. Moera Joy N. Galing-Luna	Member;
Hon. Jessie Julito P. Pumaras, Sr.	Member;
Hon. Juanito P. Ulep, Jr.	Member;
Hon. Cesar R. Agustin	Member;
Hon. Jorge Cesar T. Palafox	Member/Liga ng mga Barangay President;
Hon. Inno Ma. Angelo Paulo O. Hernando	Member/PPSK President.

ON OFFICIAL-BUSINESS:

Hon. Erico R. Ruiz, Jr.	Member;
Hon. Chona P. Hernandez	Member;
Hon. Norberto S. Dadiz, Jr.	Member.

ABSENT:

None.

“RESOLUTION NO. 2023-207

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVE TO REPRESENT THE MUNICIPALITY AND SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT (MOPA) WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES, REGION I REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF FREE PATENTS TO RESIDENTIAL AND AGRICULTURAL LANDS AND SPECIAL PATENTS.

WHEREAS, the CY 2016 impact assessment of partnership project greatly facilitated/accelerated the processing of land titling for residential lands and resulted in the following benefits in other partner-LGU in other parts of the country;

- Easier and simpler land titling process;
- Reduced land titling costs;
- Easier access to credits with titles as collaterals; and
- Increased real property tax collection where the number of titles issued increased from business and property taxes.

WHEREAS, the **PUBLIC LAND TITLING PROJECT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF SAN NICOLAS** is the first step towards the government's commitment for a long-term Land Administration and Management Program aimed at alleviating poverty by improving the security of land tenure and sustained economic growth by fostering efficient land markets in rural and urban areas;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 192, granting the DENR the power to promulgate rules and regulations necessary to facilitate public land titling and in order to provide more efficient and titling services to the public in further implementation of Commonwealth Act No. 141 otherwise known as the “Public Land Act”, Republic Act No. 10023 Residential Free Patent Law, Republic Act No. 9176 Free Patent Law on Agricultural Lands. RA 7160 the Local Government Code of 1991, authorizing Local Government Units (LGU's) to facilitate titling of Public lands and RA 11573 “An Act Improving the Confirmation Process for Imperfect Land Titles, amending CA No. 141 and PD No. 529;

WHEREAS, both parties shall conduct massive Communication, Education and Public Awareness campaign on all Public Land Laws particularly on the latest issuance of RA 11231, the removal of restrictions stipulated under RA 6940. That both parties shall jointly endeavor and encourage the use of the titled property for poverty alleviation projects and programs;

WHEREAS, the LGU and the DENR Region I shall expand collaboration and convergence effort to all concerned agencies on the legal use of titled properties for socio-economic development;

WHEREAS, a strong and active collaboration between the DENR-I and the Municipality of San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, is needed to speed-up land titling and further increase the number of titles issued. It will also facilitate coordination and integration of various land information systems to assist titling and enhance real property tax collection, property and local land use planning;

WHEREAS, Sec. 22(c) of R.A. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code, provides, that:

Sec. 22. Corporate Powers. – (a) Every local government unit, as a corporation, shall have the following powers:

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(c) Unless otherwise provided in this Code, no contract may be entered into by the local chief executive in behalf of the local government unit without prior authorization by the sanggunian concerned. A legible copy of such contract shall be posted at a conspicuous place in the provincial capitol or the city, municipal or barangay hall;

WHEREAS, the municipal mayor is empowered by the same Code to enter into contracts on behalf of the municipality, based on Section 444(b)(1)(vi) thereof which provides:

Section 444. The Chief Executive: Powers, Duties, Functions and Compensation.
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(b) For efficient, effective and economical governance the purpose of which is the general welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants pursuant to Section 16 of this Code, the municipal mayor shall:

(vi) Upon authorization by the sangguniang bayan, represent the municipality in all its business transactions and sign on its behalf all bonds, contracts, and obligations, and such other documents made pursuant to law or ordinance.”

WHEREAS, after thorough deliberation and consideration of the members of the Sangguniang Bayan, it was:

RESOLVED as it is hereby **RESOLVED** by the Sangguniang Bayan assembled in session, to authorize the Local Chief Executive to represent the Municipality and sign the Memorandum of Partnership Agreement (MOPA) with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Region I regarding the issuance of Free Patents to Residential and Agricultural Lands and Special Patents.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to transcribe copies of this resolution to the Local Chief Executive and all concerned, for their information and appropriate action;

On motion of Member Jorge Cesar T. Palafox, duly seconded, foregoing resolution was unanimously approved.

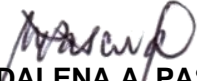
UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.”



Voting on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

- AYES : Members Caraang, Galing-Luna, Pumaras, Sr., Ulep, Jr., Agustin, Palafox and Hernando, I.
- NAYS : None.
- ABSTAINED : None.

I hereby attest to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.


MAGDALENA A. PASCUAL
Librarian/Designate-Secretary

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:


NAPOLEON L. HERNANDO
Vice-Mayor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED:


ANGEL MIGUEL L. HERNANDO
Municipal Mayor

Approved on: July 20, 2023