



Regular Monthly Meeting
Zoom Platform
10 a.m. Wednesday, October 6, 2021
Zoom Meeting ID: 861 2363 9601
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MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER: *President* Mayor Jesse L.G. Alig called the meeting to order at 10:16 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL AND RECITATION OF *INIFRESI*:

ALIG, Jesse L.G.	Mayor	Piti
BAUTISTA, Jessie P.	Vice Mayor	Barrigada
BENAVENTE, Peter John S.	Vice Mayor	Dededo
BLAS, June U.	Mayor	Barrigada
CHARGUALAF, Ernest T.	Mayor	Malesso'
* CRUZ, John A.	Mayor	Hagåtña
* FEJERAN, Christopher J.	Vice Mayor	Hågat
DELGADO, Kevin AN	Vice Mayor	Mangilao
GOGUE, Jessy C.	Mayor	Chalan Pago-Ordot
HOFMANN, Robert RDC	Mayor	Sinajana
McDONALD, Paul M.	Mayor	Agana Heights
PACO, Rudy A.	Mayor	M-T-M
QUENGA, Bill A.	Mayor	Yona
RIVERA, Louise C.	Mayor	Tamuning
SALAS, Frankie A.	Mayor	Asan-Maina
SAVARES, Melissa B.	Mayor	Dededo
SUSUICO, Kevin J.T.	Mayor	Hågat
TAITAGUE, Vicente S.	Mayor	Talo'fo'fo'
TOVES, Albert M.	Vice Mayor	Tamuning
* UNGACTA, Allan "Al" R.G.	Mayor	Mangilao
R ALVAREZ, Dale E.	Mayor	Sânta Rita-Sumai
**/ R CHARGUALAF, Anthony P.	Mayor	Inalâhan
O IRIARTE, Rudy D.	Vice Mayor	Sinajana
O/R LEONES, Loreto V.	Vice Mayor	Yigo
O/R QUINATA, Johnny A.	Mayor	Humåtak
O/R SANCHEZ, Anthony P.	Mayor	Yigo

O = ABSENT * = LATE ** = OFF ISLAND R = REPRESENTATIVE

Seventeen (17) members present at time of roll call. Quorum established.

Angel R. Sablan
Elaine RA Schaaf

Executive Director
Recording Secretary

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mayor Melissa Savares made the motion to add Dept. of Public Health as the third guest speaker and seconded by Mayor Robert Hofmann. No discussions or objections. The motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER MINUTES – Mayor Robert Hofmann made the motion to approve and seconded by Mayor Jessy Gogue. No discussions or objections. The motion carried.

V. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER TREASURER'S REPORT – Mayor Melissa Savares made the motion to approve the report and seconded by Mayor Robert Hofmann. No discussions or objections. The motion carried.

VI. GUEST SPEAKERS:

KATRINA PEREZ, UOG ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION – Provided information about the annual “G” is Giving campaign for student scholarships by joining the 70 Hour Club and “Meet and greet” with UOGEF including a brief history of the endowment foundation.

DOMINIC SABLAN, GUAM ELITE BASKETBALL – Proposal for the Guam Youth Basketball League targeting elementary kids. There will be two divisions, one for kids 6 to 8 years old, and the other for 9 to 10 year olds. Will assist villages that currently do not have any basketball programs. GEB sought the assistance to reach out directly to the communities and run the league throughout the island. Games will be held when pandemic restrictions on sports are allowed.

ARTHUR SAN AGUSTIN, DPHSS – A proposal for COVID 19 vaccination/booster village campaign to 65 years and older for Pfizer. Districts roles are to identify vaccination sites, vaccination information dissemination, logistical and traffic support, assist in organizing vaccination event, schedule manamko', and outreach to constituents and remote areas. The timeframe is October 11 to November 18 from the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Proposed sites for the southern, central, and northern region. Flyers with specific dates and times will go out to the communities.

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FY2021 YEAR END CLOSE OUT REPORTS – Invoices are due within 30 days of transaction if not an accompanying memo must be submitted as to why invoices are late.

FOURTH QUARTER REPORTS – Appropriated and Non-Appropriated Fund reports are due by October 10, 2021.

RECYCLING REVOLDING FUND – Reports are due by October 10, 2021. FY2021 needs to be closed out before FY2022 funding is made available by GEPA. \$ 1.5M was appropriated but had to go through an expenditure plan that must be approved by GEPA. The plan was submitted. The board meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2021. Village data reports must be submitted in a timely manner for compilation before MCOG submits to GEPA.

ETHICS COMMISSION P.L. 36-25 – All government of Guam employees, full-time or part-time that is under a GG-1 must undergo an ethics course. New employees hired after May 12, 2021 has six (6) months to be in compliant. Mayors' need to schedule them to undergo the training. It is a four (4) course administered by the commission. The cost is \$80 for an individual. All existing government of Guam employees are required to attend an ethics training within thirty-six (36) months and in addition, all employees must take a refresher course every four (4) years. The commission will start doing a weekly training with forty (40) people per class.

ATTORNEY GENERAL REQUEST FOR LEGAL OPINION – Letter sent regarding abandoned/junk vehicles where a consent or release of liability is not given by an owner. In many cases that we have dealt with in the recent years many of the vehicles have no identifiable registered owner or claimants to the vehicle. The meeting is scheduled for 2:30 p.m today thru virtual platform. ED will report back to Council members.

BROADCASTING OF PUBLIC MEETINGS AND NOTICE OF AGENDA ITEMS P.L. 36-34 – Open government law that requires live streaming and is applicable to Municipal Planning Council meetings. Options for Districts who do not have a website can go to Open Government Law §8107.1 Chapter 8 to post meetings and agendas or with GuamWebz. An email was sent to all 19 Districts on October 4 “*Introducing: Open GovGuam*” from GuamWebz where they have developed solutions specifically for posting announcements and broadcasting live stream. Districts can also utilize Council’s website.

QUARTERLY BREAKFAST MEETING WITH GOVERNOR – Scheduled for 7:30 a.m. Thursday, October 14. A host is needed. A meeting can be conducted provided there is no food served or via virtual platform. *President* recognized special assistant to the governor for Municipal Affairs, Mayor Robert Lizama who confirmed the set time, date, and for zoom platform. With the open government law for this meeting, that is still being addressed.

MCOG FY2022 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS – ED reported the bill lapsed into law without the governor’s signature. An appropriation of \$10,282,372 for operations, personnel, contractual, and utilities. Limited Gaming Fund (LGF) was reduced to \$442,611 and as it was done in previous years, divided equally.

Combined into one fund for Streets Maintenance and Beautification (SMB), Island-wide Village Beautification Projects (IWVBP), and Public Safety and Social Education Programs (PSSEP) is now called *Village Operations-Maintenance-Beautification-Public Safety Programs* (VOMBPS) the sum of \$422,126 is appropriated from the General Fund and \$307,375 from the Guam Educational Facilities Fund. Each mayor’s office will receive the sum of \$20,000 and the remaining balance distributed based on the total road mileage of the current Guam Roads Pavement Inventory. Although it is the same language, the difference between last year’s budget and this year’s budget, it said “*may*” and this year it says, “*shall*”. One allotment schedule is needed to submit for the entire year.

From the Host Community Fund \$300,000 is appropriated for the villages of Ordot and Inalåhan to their Municipal Planning Council fund.

Authorization to waive statutory procurement limit for recycling revolving funds to issue purchase orders up to \$50,000 per category per village would allow mayors to use it faster and collect faster.

Lapse funds are undetermined when districts submit their invoices at the end of the fiscal year. Continuing appropriation and Prior Year Obligation is authorized. The allotted but unexpended balance of funds in fiscal year 2021 shall continue to be available for prior and current year obligations until fully expended.

Mayor Ernest Chargualaf recommended an amendment to restore the three funding sources to the FY2021 level. This year thirteen (13) villages stand to lose just because of the verbiage from the budget act. He queried why districts are getting cut but funding remains the same from last year. *President* stated a motion needed to be made to have this discussion under *New Business*. **Mayor Jessie Gogue made the motion to include the MCOG FY2022 Budget appropriation under New Business. Seconded by Mayor Vicente Taitague.**

In discussion, Mayor Robert Hofmann stated, "That considering this is a law already, I don't think that, we are not empowered to amend laws. Are we going to be wasting our time trying to do this. It's nothing within our realm or our reach right now, there's no way we can strike or amend anything that's on the paper within there. So, I mean, we can discuss it, but as for changing it, it's already set".

Mayor Chargualaf stated that he, "Doesn't think it's a waste of time and effort to reverse something that when we proceed with it and stay with it....disparity and the funding distribution, some mayors stand to lose their entire street maintenance budget, maintenance budget from last fiscal year, \$14,000, where's the equity and fairness in that?"

Mayor Hoffman said the amounts were set by the legislature, not the Council.

Mayor Chargualaf stated that we could still amend the law.

For the record *President* stated that he agreed with Mayor Hoffman that this is law and that the Mayors' Council did have sufficient time to review the bill as it was presented by the legislature by Senator Joe San Agustin.

For the record, *President* stated that, "It was discussed at the May meeting and in our June meeting and there was a quorum at both meetings and there was no further discussion about the budget. I want to also, for the record, state that Angel, our executive director did announce to the Council that we are going to be appearing before the legislature, during a public hearing for this bill, this budget bill and Angel did give everyone ample notice and time to respond and to reply to the bill if they wish to acknowledge that or wish to appear at the public hearing. I do want to acknowledge that Mayor Anthony Chargualaf from Inalåhan and Angel Sablan appeared at that public hearing. And so I have to say that for discussion on this motion, I don't know what we would achieve by discussing further this Fiscal Year 22 budget. What would have to happen is a new bill would have to be reposed and introduced by a senator to amend what we currently have."

No further discussions. Recorded vote by roll call.

VOTING RECORD

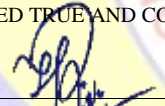
17th Mayors' Council of Guam
 Regular Monthly Meeting
DATE: October 6, 2021

PURPOSE: MCOG FY22 Budget in New Business

NAME	Aye	Nay
Mayor Jesse L.G. Alig		✓
Mayor Dale E. Alvarez		
Vice Mayor Jessie P. Bautista		
Vice Mayor Peter John S. Benavente	✓	
Mayor June U. Blas		✓
Mayor Anthony P. Chargualaf		
Mayor Ernest T. Chargualaf	✓	
Mayor John A. Cruz		
Vice Mayor Kevin AN Delgado		✓
Vice Mayor Christopher J. Fejeran		
Mayor Jessy C. Gogue	✓	
Mayor Robert RDC Hofmann		✓
Vice Mayor Rudy D. Iriarte		
Vice Mayor Loreto V. Leones		
Mayor Paul M. McDonald		✓
Mayor Rudy A. Paco		✓
Mayor Bill A. Quenga		✓
Mayor Johnny A. Quinata		
Mayor Louise C. Rivera		✓
Mayor Frankie A. Salas		
Mayor Anthony P. Sanchez		
Mayor Melissa B. Savares		✓
Mayor Kevin T. Susuico		
Mayor Vicente S. Taitague	✓	
Vice Mayor Albert M. Toves		
Mayor Allan R.G. Ungacta		

TOTAL 4 9
 Aye Nay

CERIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:



MAYOR LOUISE C. RIVERA
 Secretary and Mayor of Tamuning

The motion failed.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS –

COMMISSION ON DECOLONIZATION – *President* reported that on October 11, they will be launching an educational campaign. He will send out the flyer and the reservations link in case any one or residents would like to attend the launch so that they understand the work of the commission.

COUNCIL ON YOUTH AFFAIRS (SAG) – Vice Mayor Kevin Delgado reported the last time they met was June 10. It is at a standstill right now, but when they call the next meeting, the Council will be represented.

GUAM EARLY LEARNING COUNCIL – Vice Mayor Delgado reported its members were able to put together a three-year plan and they just finished it off, dissected it last week and GELC will be letting everyone know how mayors can assist with disseminating the information.

GUAM EDUCATION POLICY BOARD – Mayor Savares reported a request that the superintendent revisit their scope of work for school grass cutting to include the exterior of their fence lines at the schools, because the last two years she has gotten concerns from other mayors that the exterior, the perimeter fence of the school lines, are not being cut. Mayor requested that the superintendent have their scope of work adjusted to mirror what mayors had done in the past. GDOE's current contractor for this past fiscal year has not done that. It was asked that the perimeter fence be included in the scope of work.

For the schools that have their village names changed, a resolution for support needs to be administered by their Municipal Planning Council. It needs to be placed on the agenda and have a public hearing so that can go to the Education Policy Board as well.

2. STANDING COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE – Mayor Hofmann reported a virtual public hearing on Bill No.196 to appropriate nine million five hundred thousand dollars (\$9,500,000) from the 2021 Earned Income Tax Credit reimbursement to the Mayors' Council of Guam for the purpose of constructing, renovating and repair of Guam's sports facilities. The bill would give \$500,000 to each village for the purpose of constructing, renovating and repairing of our sports facilities. Mayor is submitting testimony in favor, but wanted to amend it to be able to be used for other things, other than just sports facilities to include usage of the money for street names and signs, speed humps, lane markers, reflectors, vehicle purchases, purchase of heavy equipment, and cold mix assets.

The bill was introduced by Senators San Augustin, Shelton, Muna-Barnes, Frank Blas, Jr, Nelson, and Ridgell.

By participating in this hearing and showing that it's not just going to be for gyms or for whatever, but we really need it for our overall work and even turning towards green technology like investments in solar panels and wind technology or using it for federal grant matching, with many of you are applying for. From the committee's standpoint, Mayor hoped to get his colleagues support and to call their senators who are in their villages to support Bill 196 and ask for that flexibility for their offices. *President* hoped that he along with everyone else will, will submit testimony or will be present at the at the public hearing tomorrow.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM MCOG – Team Captain, Mayor Louise Rivera reported sending a link in the chat for the virtual dedication. The campaign is extended to November 30. They plan to do another luminaria display. Mayor will keep Council members informed as soon as there is a date and venue. A big wave is scheduled on

October 29. Mayor will be sending the flyer on that. Everyone should have gotten their shirts already. If anyone is interested in getting shirts, to give her a call or send her a message.

X. NEW BUSINESS –

1. **FOSTER CARE PROJECT** – *President* reported two meetings so far with a group of mayors and vice mayors who were willing to help execute the campaign. Vice Mayor Delgado put together a timeline on how the Council is going to proceed. He gave the floor to Vice Mayor who reported that the goal for the Mayors' Council is to find at least 19 families by December to serve as foster families and the campaign was coined with *The Gift of Family*. The approach will be multi-pronged. The first, is a community education and awareness through public service announcements and infographics for a social media platform. The second, mayors, vice mayors and their Municipal Planning Councils assist in identifying at least two families who may be interested in serving as foster families. The third, schedule three regional informational meetings either in person or virtual, scheduled by Mae Fe Muyco and facilitated by the project group for families and individuals that are interested in foster care. The fourth, plan a culminating event in December to close or to wrap up and put a bow on the campaign from now until December.

Families and individuals will be referred to their respective informational meetings. The committee tentatively scheduled three meetings. The first, 6:30 p.m., Monday, November 8 at in the northern region hosted by Dededo. The second is central region at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 9 hosted by Mangilao and for the southern region at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 10 hosted by Santa Rita.

President expressed that this will work by getting all District mayors and vice mayors involved and attend committee meetings and if they cannot make it, to send a representative that can speak on their behalf. Standard flyers are being finalized and sent out to everyone.

In preparing for this campaign there may be a need to develop a professional logo of sorts or a professional PA, *President* asked Council members if there are any objections to the committee's proposals on any kind of additional funding that's going to be necessary from the revolving fund.

Mayor Savares made the motion to take from the mayors' dues no more than a thousand dollars, if needed that can be used to develop a logo or seal for this promotion for the foster care program. *President* asked to include any other advertising or marketing component. Mayor Savares responded yes. Seconded by Mayor Hofmann. No further discussions or objections. The motion carried.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

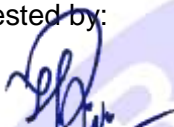
- *President* announced Dept. of Administration work in partnership with MCOG to collaborate community outreach efforts regarding the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) program and Homeowner Assistance Fund (HAF) Wednesday, October 13 at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom.
- *President* announced former Congressman Robert Underwood is requesting mayors' help with place names. He will give the Council a set of names however we can assist in getting those names correct or close as possible.
- Jane Dia with Department of Agriculture informed the Council that a contractor was awarded to conduct assessment and installation of the remaining Kontra I Kulepbla – Challenge the Snake basketball backboards in those villages that received their set. She will be working closely with the contractor to confirm locations of remaining sets.

- National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is set for Saturday, October 23 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Dededo Senior Center for unused or expired prescription drugs, including controlled substances and non-controlled substances. This is with the Guam National Guard, Counter Drug Program and Drug Enforcement Agency.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

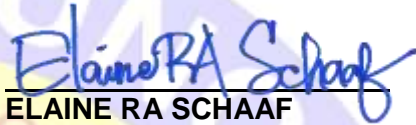
President thanked Council members and adjourned the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

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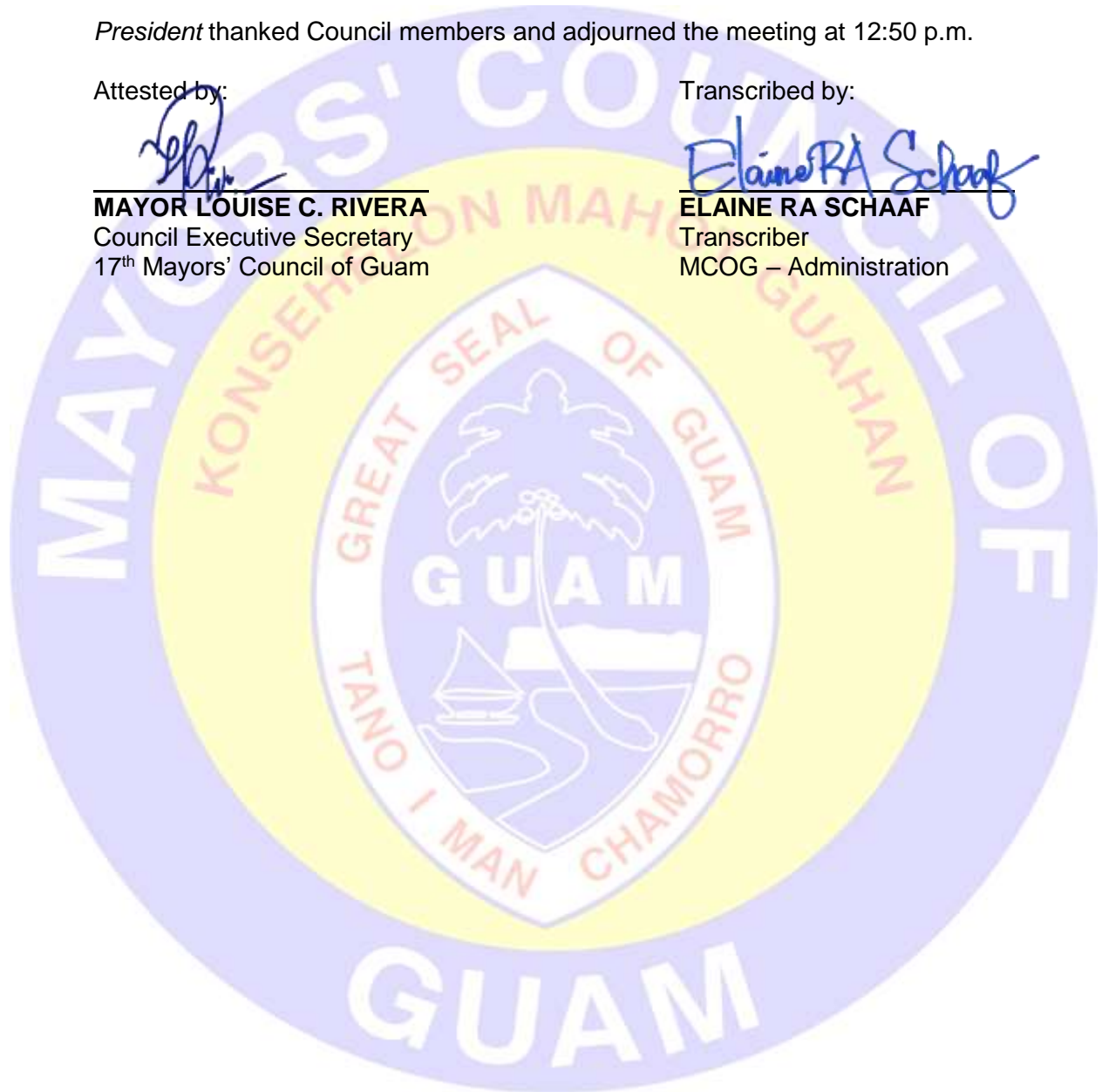


MAYOR LOUISE C. RIVERA
Council Executive Secretary
17th Mayors' Council of Guam

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**MAYORS' COUNCIL
 OF GUAM**

DATE: October 5, 2021
 TO: Angel Sablan
 Executive Director; Mayors Council Of Guam
 FROM: Anthony P. Chargualaf; Jr
 Mayor of Inalåhan
 SUBJECT: Acting Capacity
 Re: Tarako Mantanona

I will be on leave from October 06, 2021 to October 25, 2021. I will be off island taking care of personal family matters. In my absence, I am appointing Mrs. Tarako Mantanona to fill in and cover operations and administrative duties in my capacity. I am requesting for the usual consideration and cooperation.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call our office numbers at 475-2509/2511. I can still be reached via email or whatsapp. Thank you.

Provided copies to JHE
 DMP on 10/6/21 for info.
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