

# Regular Monthly Meeting Zoom Platform 11 a.m. Tuesday, September 14, 2021 Zoom Meeting ID: 894 2927 2053

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# **MINUTES**

I. CALL TO ORDER: President Mayor Jesse L.G. Alig called the meeting to order at 11:08 a.m.

# II. ROLL CALL AND RECITATION OF INIFRESI:

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Piti ALIG, Jesse L.G. Mayor \* ALVAREZ, Dale E. Sånta RitaSumai Mayor CHARGUALAF, Anthony P. Mayor Inalåhan CRUZ, John A. Mayor Hagåtña DELGADO, Kevin AN Vice Mayor Mangilao GOGUE, Jessy C. Mayor Chalan Pago-Ordot HOFMANN, Robert RDC Mayor Sinajana Vice Mayor IRIARTE, Rudy D. Sinajana PACO, Rudy A. Mayor M-T-M QUINATA, Johnny A. Mayor Umatac 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' UNGACTA, Allan "Al" R.G. Mayor Mangilao O BAUTISTA, Jessie P. Vice Mayor Barrigada O BENAVENTE, Peter John S. Vice Mayor Dededo O BLAS, June U. Mayor Barrigada O CHARGUALAF, Ernest T. Malesso' Mayor O FEJERAN, Christopher J. Vice Mayor Hågat O LEONES, Loreto V. Vice Mayor Yigo O McDONALD, Paul M. Mayor Agana Heights O/R QUENGA, Bill A. Mayor Yona O SANCHEZ, Anthony P. Mayor Yigo

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

Vice Mayor

Tamuning

Thirteen (13) members present at time of roll call. No quorum established.

Angel R. Sablan Elaine RA Schaaf

Executive Director Recording Secretary

President recognized and gave the floor to guest speaker Ernie Galito from Atkins Kroll who spoke on a marketing proposal to offer cash incentives for mayors to locate and refer owners of Toyota and Lexus vehicles subject to a global recall of Takata airbag inflators. AK will pay village mayors for each referral and will give the vehicle owner a gas certificate for having the Takata airbag inflator replaced.

Quorum established and meeting called to order at 11:39 a.m.

- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA Mayor Melissa Savares made the motion to approve and seconded by Mayor Robert Hofmann. No discussions or objections. The motion carried.
- IV. APPROVAL OF AUGUST MINUTES Mayor Jessy Gogue made the motion to approve and seconded by Mayor Robert Hofmann. No discussions or objections. The motion carried.
- V. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER TREASURER'S REPORT -Vice Mayor Kevin Delgado made the motion to approve the report and seconded by Mayor Allan Ungacta. No discussions or objections. The motion carried.
- VI. GUEST SPEAKERS:

MAE FE MUYCO, DPHSS FOSTER RECRUITMENT – Technical difficulties. Arrangements will be made for another time.

# VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

MCOG FY2022 BUDGET – ED reported the bill lapsed into law without the governor's signature. An appropriation of \$10,282,372 for operations and personnel services. Limited Gaming Fund (LGF) went down to \$442,611.

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. One allotment schedule is needed to submit for the entire year.

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.

From the Host Community Fund \$300,000 is appropriated for the villages of Ordot and Inalahan 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 village per recyclable item which would allow mayors to use it faster and collect faster.

There is no restriction on travel for FY2022. Quarterly financial reports have been removed however, ED suggested continuing submissions because there are some funds coming down the road from ARPA that require quarterly financial reports of expenditure of those funds. ED suggested that administrative assistants continue to prepare quarterly financial reports on VOMBPS for posting in Council's website for transparency and accountability and the public would know where the money is going.

ISLANDWIDE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP PROGRAM; RRF – There are purchase orders that are still outstanding and not been completed; there are vehicles not put into recycling centers. The major concern is *electronics* and *white goods*. Most of the districts are not using it. Purchase orders were issued and not a single penny was used. The outstanding balance in *white goods* is \$57,000 and \$30,100 in *electronics* and if they will not be used by the end of September, funds would be deobligated and returned back to Guam EPA. If these purchase orders are not going to be used and wanted them cancelled, send ED an email so that he can deobligate them and turn around to give something else that could be used for such as tires or abandoned vehicles or give to other villages that can use it. Until MCOG closes out FY21, invoices must be submitted before Guam EPA releases funds for FY22.

FY 21 YEAR END REPORTS; COLLECTION OF DATA – An email was sent to all Districts to provide some information on village data to compile MCOG's annual report and to include this information on the Citizen Centric Report. Several districts have submitted their data. The information is good to have so the public can see where and how mayors' spend their money. ED requested submission as soon as possible.

**COVID PAY** – Administrative Assistants' have been asked to continue to prepare COVID pay timesheets so that whenever Dept. of Administration is ready to payout it is a matter of submitting them. Council president is working with the governor and chief of staff on getting additional funding.

REQUEST FOR PERSONNEL SUPPORT; DPHSS LOGISTICS - There are more sites to be established and are requesting mayors' assistance. Council will forward the email from Guam Homeland Security where it shows what kind of assistance requested. *President* said assistance does go above and beyond their regular duties and consume mayors' personnel.

- P.L. 36-25 ETHICS TRAINING Relative to updating the ethics in Government Training Program and requiring ethics training for all government of Guam employees. All new employees shall attend an ethics in government program within the first six (6) months of employment since the enactment of this public law (May 2021). All existing employees prior to enactment is required to attend an ethics in government program within thirty-six (36) months after enactment of this public law. Additionally employees shall undergo a refresher course once every four (4) years. The course is four (4) hours long. The cost shall be paid by the agency that employs the official or employee.
- P.L. 36-34 REQUIRING BROADCASTING OF PUBLIC MEETINGS Relative to increasing public access to information on government meetings, deliberations, and

decision-making by requiring broadcasting of public meetings and notice of agenda items. Any action of a public agency taken at a meeting is void and of no effect if the public agency failed to comply with the public notice of agenda matters to be discussed or failed to comply with the broadcasting requirement. This public law also applies to municipal planning council meetings and boards and commissions. Notice of meetings can be publicized on Council website.

## VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

## 1. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS -

GUAM EDUCATION POLICY BOARD – Mayor Savares reported receiving calls from a few mayors about the food distribution and a message from the principal at JFK of 600 student meals that were leftover and needed help to pick up these meals and take them to families. The superintendent was to get together with both cafeteria and Sodexo staff to reduce the number of meals they're distributing; not too many families drive to the schools. Mayor asked the superintendent to provide dry goods rather than precooked meals. Mayor said the concern Mayor Paul McDonald had was there were so much leftover that, at the end of the day, nobody wanted to take something that was cooked at 8 o'clock in the morning and then feed them to their families. Mayor Hofmann said if Sodexo or GDOE could invest in vacuumed, pre-sealed meals for better presentation because the leftover meals end up looking like dog food because of unreliable packaging. The Board continues to meet via virtual platform. The Learning Resource Centers are open for families that are in need of assistance for getting online or for homework. Most are open from 3pm to 6pm.

**COMMISSION ON DECOLONIZATION** – ED announced *President* will serve as representative to the commission.

# 2. **STANDING COMMITTEES**

LEGISLATIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE – *President* reported a virtual public hearing on Bill No.156-36 relative to adding civil orders of abatements as a remedy for public and private nuisances on Wednesday, September 15. Mayor had asked for Council support in the July meeting. Mayor Hofmann stated this bill to be an additional tool for enforcing the rules. There was no motion in support of this bill during the July meeting. *President* expressed that testimony can be submitted. One letter would be drafted from both Mayors Alig and Hofmann and to share it with Council members if anyone else wanted to add their name.

President said a letter of support for Bill No. 155-36 will be coming out.

CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE – With the current pandemic status *President* stated that there should be planning for a big party at this point because it may not be safe for anyone. He asked for a motion to reconsider a Christmas party and to have another alternative to celebrate Christmas as opposed to gathering. Mayor Savares made a motion to table any planning for the Christmas party until further notice. Seconded by Mayor Johnny Quinata.

In discussion, *President* recognized committee chair Vice Mayor Kevin Delgado for his efforts up to this point. Thinking of the holiday season Mayor Hofmann gave suggestion to Vice Mayor to organize a night where Council can go to mass and have prayers of thanksgiving. **No further discussions or objections. The motion carried.** 

#### IX. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM MCOG - Team Captain, Mayor Louise Rivera reported Council's goal under Team GovGuam was \$5,000. To date Team MCOG submitted \$5,619 and another \$1,650 donation from the sales of t-shirts. Those who ordered polo and women's v-neck shirts, there is a delay with the order but they should be arriving soon. The American Cancer Society is asking all Districts have a Village Display with this year's theme, Island Strong: Together We Beat Cancer. Former senator Louise Muna had reached out to Mayor Rivera to create a video of the village displays.

Luminaria sales have been extended because the campaign is on going until November. They are looking at a big showcase and once Mayor gets more information as to the date and location she will inform all.

#### X. **NEW BUSINESS -**

1. FOSTER CARE PROJECT - President stated this will be a continuing conversation with Mae Fe Muyco. DPHSS is in need of foster parents. He asked Council members to consider a campaign project. In lieu of a Christmas party, to campaign finding one foster family in each of the nineteen villages. Vice Mayor Delgado will work on a flyer for the campaign.

#### XI. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- President will forward an email from Tim Ohno, Gold Star Families coordinator who could not attend the zoom meeting because of a prior commitment.
- President will email Council members information on 5th grader Madison Flores on her Ifit plant project by making a purchase of \$5 each.

#### XII. **ADJOURNMENT**

President thanked Council members and adjourned the meeting at 1:23 p.m.

Attested b

OUISE C. RIVERA Council Executive Secretary 17th Mayors' Council of Guam Transcribed by:

Transcriber

MCOG - Administration

# MAYORS' COUNCIL OF GUAM

# Regular Monthly Meeting **ATTENDANCE**

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

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TOTAL	PRESENT	Out During	ABSENT	EXCUSED
		Roll Call		

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRERCT:

ELAINE RA SCHAAF
Transcribing Secretary