P2-B PLUS ONE DAVNOR, ONE TEAM 2020 BUDGET OKd

The Sangguniang Panlalawigan (SP) of Davao del Norte, on its 2nd Special Session for the year 2019, has unanimously approved the succeeding year’s General Fund Annual Budget amounting to Two Billion Eighty-Nine Million Four Hundred Forty Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Eight Pesos (₱2,089,440,198.00). In doing so, the SP has lived in a row of its tradition in giving early nod to the budget that casts away the possibility of a reenacted one. However, a cut was introduced to pave way for a prudent utilization of funds.

During its referral to the Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations, chaired by Senior Board Member Robert “Tete” So, a three (3) – day taxing Hearings were conducted that involved the Vice-Governor Rey T. Uy leading the charge in reviewing the financial documents together with Board Members. Technical questions were raised to the Department Heads to justify their respective office budgets with the end view of coming up with a sturdy pillar of effective public services, improved governance, accelerated infrastructure development, broadened income opportunities and lasting peace through allocation of resources. Acting on the recommendation of the Committee, the legislative chamber has approved the reduction by thirty-two point five percent (32.5%) for the total Representation Expenses of all Provincial Government Offices or from Fifty-Four Million Eight Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Eight Pesos (₱54,889,928.00) to Thirty-Seven Million Fifty Thousand Seven Hundred One Pesos and Forty Centavos (₱37,050,701.40). This account expense is for foods and snacks for the Vice-Governor last December 27, 2019.

DNSTC admissions are FREE

In keeping and honoring the promise to Dabaonons, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Davao del Norte under the leadership of Vice-Governor Rey T. Uy has legislated a measure scrapping the admission and utilization fees of the Davao del Norte Sports and Tourism Complex (DNSTC) located in Mankilam, Tagum City. Said legislation is in response to Governor Edwin I. Juhabib’s resolve to make the usage free to all residents of the Province and who, in effect, issued recently an Administrative Order for the purpose. According to the authors, Board Members Franklin D. Gentiles, CE (District 2) and Roger A. Laguna (District 1), the core objective of the legislation is to provide free access to the world-class facilities thereat so that the Dabaonons of all ages can engage in sports and also hone their competitive talents, skills and physical awareness and in some cases, entertainment to the spectators.

During the plenary, Board Member Roy J. Catalan (District 2), Chairperson, Committee on Ways and Means/Games and Amusement who sponsored it told his colleagues the intention of the amendatory tax ordinance is to discard the imposition of fees on the admission and usage of sports facilities inside the DNSTC but said exception can be applied only to residents of Davao del Norte. He also emphasized that amenities inside the complex like the Davnor Gym, the Pavilion and the Clubhouse can be used free of charge provided that the activities to be conducted are initiated or sponsored by the component Local Government Units (LGUs) and its barangays.

For his part, Vice Governor Rey T. Uy has expressed optimism that there is a huge positive impact of it to the constituents of the Province especially on their physical well-being even though it might have a slight effect to the local revenue raising of the Capitol. He stressed during the Committee Hearing called for the purpose that the financial managers should design a practical and realistic scheme to offset their targeted income or collection out from the operations of DNSTC. “Para man na sa ilaha, buhis man na nila”, Vice Gov Uy added.

SP RELEASES ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In what to be referred to as the first six (6) months of Vice-Governor Uy-led Sangguniang Panlalawigan (SP) for Term 2019-2022, the Chamber made a stellar performance by producing three hundred forty (340) resolutions and four (4) ordinances in just a span of twenty-two (22) Regular
Konsultasyon sa Komitiba sa Agrikultura gisugdan ni BM Popo Estabillo

Ni: Jaypee Larubes

Aron mahibaloan ug masusi ang mga panginahanglanon sa matag-munisipyo ug barangay kabahin sa agricultura, ug aron matabangan sila sa pagpaangita ug sakto ng kasulbaran sa ilang mga suliran ug problemang pang-agrikultura, nagpaigayon ug tigmukonsultasyon si Board Member Popo Estabillo Jr. sa tanang mga kagawad nga naghupot isip chairperson sa Committee on Agriculture sa lima (5) ka munisipyo sa Distrito Uno ning Probinsya sa Davao del Norte. Mao kini ang unang lakang nga ghimo ni BM Estabillo Jr. isip Chairperson sa Committee on Agriculture sa Sangguniang Panlalawigan.

Kini nga programa ni BM Estabillo Jr. gisportahan sa mga personae gikan sa mga ahensya sa probinsya ug pribadong sektor tungod kay kini ang unang hidya nga nagpatigayon ug tigma ang usa ka myembro sa Sangguniang Panlalawigan sa mga kagawad kabahin sa agricultura. Ang mi-partisipar niini mao sila si Mr. Angel John Jules Buntag, Pigrolac Trade Marketing Representative; Dr. Renato R. Embate, DVM, Provincial Veterinarian; Mr. Darryl M. Ayado, RPAB, OIC-Provincial Agriculturist, ug Mr. Junelito Vicente, Jr., Philippine Coconut Authority Representative.


Ug tungod sa nagka-daiyang opisina nga mitabang ug migahin ug panahon sa pag-partisipar ning maong konsultasyon, diha-dha dayon may mga problema nga nahatagan ug kasulbaran ug solusyon nga gikalipay gayod pag-ayo sa mga barangay kagawad ug mga mag-uma. Gisaad ni BM Estabillo nga mahimong regular nga quarterly meeting sa matag munisipyo ang panagtapok sa mga barangay kagawad. Sunod na sad nga konsultahon ni BM Estabillo ang mga Barangay Kagawad sa suyod sa Tagum.
Board Member Nicandro “Nickel” Tumbocon Suaybaguio Jr was born on the 3rd day of December in the year 1979. He is the 3rd among the five children of Retired BIR District Officer Nicandro Rina Suaybaguio Sr. and retired public school teacher Mrs. Elnora Tumbocon Suaybaguio. He’s bloodline is a combination of Bohol-Leyte-Aklan. Nickel was married to Miracel Salvania Buot and blessed with a daughter, Ma. Nicaella and two sons, Mikael and Joaquin.

In his early days, he spent his elementary at Magugpo Pilot Imelda Elementary School in which he excelled in academics and the arts. It was natural and innate in him the leadership and charisma since he became the president of the student government council. He got his first taste of independence upon entering secondary school at the Ateneo de Davao Highschool in Davao City. There, Nickel spent his teenage years learning the principles and teachings of a Catholic School run by Jesuit Priests. He learned and embraced the Ignatian Values, “To be Men and Women for Others…”. After high school graduation, he decided to follow his older brother in Manila and enrolled at the Mapua Institute of Technology, the country’s premier school known in the Field of Engineering and Architecture. He graduated and earned his degree in Bachelor of Science in Architecture and spent more years in the capital for his apprenticeship. But fate took its turn when Politics and Public service inevitably redirected his course from being an Architect to being a Public servant. In the year 2007, at the age of 27 years old, he was elected as a City Councilor of Tagum. Truly fate and destiny led him to serve the community just like his forefathers that marked their family to be pioneer leaders of Tagum and the province of Davao del Norte. Nickel is the grandson of the late Manuel “Maning” Baura Suabaguio who became the First Municipal mayor of the Municipality of Tagum in 1930’s, the nephew of the late Arnaldo “Noli” Rina Suaybaguio, once a municipal vice-mayor of then municipality of Tagum, the nephew of the First City Mayor of Tagum and former Vice Governor of Davao del Norte, Victorio “Baby” Rina Suaybaguio, and many others who dedicated and joined public service. Nickel served for nine (9) consecutive years (3 terms) in the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Tagum city from 2007 up to 2016. He crafted and passed many landmark legislations that greatly contributed the development and welfare of the city of Tagum. To mention a few, He was known to be the “Father of Local Housing Code” when he authored the said Ordinance that paved the way for the creation of Housing Department of the Local Govt of Tagum. Urban Poor sectors was given due recognition, housing development was given utmost importance being evident to the establishment of more relocation/resettlement areas, urban planning and strict regulation and implementation of private housing developers. Being a son of a public-school teacher, Nickel authored laws that gave additional benefits to Daycare teachers through the “Daycare Teachers Code of Tagum City” and to all public-school teachers in Tagum city through the “Basic Education Assistance Program”. He was known to be a young, dynamic legislator and a charismatic politician. Nickel always looked up to the legacy of his family in the service for the community. “Busa, akong ipadayon ang nasugdan nga serbisyo….” He added.

After having been elected for full three terms as councilor, Nickel took a rest for a while in public office and decided to pursue his long overdue passion in the field of construction and architecture. He became a Professional Licensed Architect and established a career in private sector. Not for too long, public service once again knocked on his door. This time, an offer not only to serve within the four corners of the City of Tagum but the entire Province of Davao del Norte. Being one of the youngest politicians and a known dynamic-charismatic leader in the province of Davao del Norte, opportunity was given to him as he was elected recently as Board Member of the said province. Currently he holds the chairmanship of the Committee on Education and Culture and the Committee on Govt Organizations and Non-Govt Organizations, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Public Works, Infrastructure and Public Utilities and the Committee on Cultural Communities and a member of six (6) other committees in the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Davao del Norte. Undoubtedly this young man has still a long way to go to make his mark as a genuine public servant that will give his contributions to bring the Province of Davao del Norte to greater heights. Nickel will definitely continue the Legacy of the Suaybaguio Family……
NOVEMBER 11, 2019
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NOVEMBER 11, 2019
RESOLUTION NO. 690

APPROVING RESOLUTION NO. 2019-94 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF NEW CORELLA, THIS PROVINCE, “ADOPTING THE ANNUAL INVESTMENT PLAN FOR CY 2020 OF THIS MUNICIPALITY”

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NOVEMBER 11, 2019
RESOLUTION NO. 691

APPROVING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 1117, SERIES OF 2019 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF KAPALONG, THIS PROVINCE, “AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS (IRR) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11032, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE EASE OF DOING BUSINESS AND EFFICIENT GOVERNMENT SERVICES DELIVERY ACT OF 2018”

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NOVEMBER 18, 2019
RESOLUTION NO. 717


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NOVEMBER 18, 2019
RESOLUTION NO. 721

APPROVING RESOLUTION NO. 2019-75 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF BRAULIO E. DUJALI, THIS PROVINCE, “APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL ANNUAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM (SAIP) NO. 4 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019 OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF BRAULIO E. DUJALI, DAO DEL NORTE”

SPONSORS: Remitar, So, Suaybaguio

NOVEMBER 25, 2019
RESOLUTION NO. 742


SPONSORS: Lig-onan, Laguna, Suaybaguio, Catalan, Matobato

NOVEMBER 25, 2019
RESOLUTION NO. 743

APPROVING CITY ORDINANCE NO. 870, SERIES OF 2019 OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF TAGUM THIS PROVINCE, “AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE AREA BEHIND HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL CENTER AS FREEDOM PARK OF TAGUM”

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NOVEMBER 25, 2019
RESOLUTION NO. 745

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NOVEMBER 25, 2019

RESOLUTION NO. 747


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DECEMBER 2, 2019

RESOLUTION NO. 753

APPROVING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 270-S-2019 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF CARMEN, THIS PROVINCE, “REGULATING THE USE OF PLASTIC BAGS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CARMEN, DAVAO DEL NORTE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF”

SPONSORS: Relampagos, Remitar, Gentiles, Estabillo, Catalan, Laguna, Lu, Matobato

NOVEMBER 25, 2019

RESOLUTION NO. 755

AMENDING PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2017-012 ENTITLED “GRANTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ALL BARANGAYS OF DAVAO DEL NORTE FOR THEIR CELEBRATION OF ARAW NG BARANGAY IN THE AMOUNT OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND PESOS (P15,000.00) PARTICULARLY SECTION 2 BY INCREASING THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM FIFTEEN THOUSAND PESOS (P 15,000.00) TO TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND PESOS (P 25,000.00)”

SPONSORS: So, Parangan, Gentiles, Lu, Matobato, Lig-onan

NOVEMBER 25, 2019

RESOLUTION NO. 761


SPONSORS: Remitar, Catalan, So

DECEMBER 9, 2019

RESOLUTION NO. 835

AUTHORIZING HONORABLE EDWIN I. JUBAHIB, GOVERNOR, THIS PROVINCE TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, ENTERED INTO BY AND BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT THROUGH DOLE XI, REPRESENTED HEREIN BY ITS REGIONAL DIRECTOR, DIR. RAYMUNDO G. AGR AVANTE, HEREFINAFTER REFERRED TO AS DOLE XI AND THE GOVERNMENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM (GIP) PARTNER AGENCY, RELATIVE TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GOVERNMENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM IN THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF DAVAO DEL NORTE

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After winning as PCL Regional Board of Director, Hon. Matobato leads DavNor Local Legislators in NEO Orientation Program

By: Dr. Leo L. Igona, DPA

The Philippine Councilors League Region XI Chapter (PCL R-XI) has conducted its Regional Election of Officers for Term 2019-2022 on November 14, 2019 at Waterfront Insular Hotel, Davao City. PCL Officers from the five (5) provinces of Davao region and from Davao City attended and voted in the said election. Davao del Norte PCL Provincial Federation President Hon. Silvino P. Matobato Jr., PTPR, being an Interim Regional Vice Chairperson, lead the DavNor PCL Officials in officiating the program and in manning the election proper. The Opening Program commenced with the Call to Order by Hon. Matobato, Jr. himself followed by an AVP of Invocation, National Anthem and PCL Hymn. Hon. Gregorio U. Duji, III, PCL-DavNor Treasurer, lead in the Recitation of PCL Creed followed by Recognition of Guests and Delegates by the Master of Ceremony Hon. Julie H. Mantequilla, P.R.O. of PCL-DavNor. After the Welcome Message by Davao City Councilor Hon. Mabel S. Acosta, Valencia City Councilor and PCL Interim National Auditor Hon. Rovin Feliciano give the PCL Update.

The election proper has been peaceably steered and Hon. Matobato was voted as one of the PCL Board of Directors for Region XI. Aside from Hon. Matobato, Hon. Myrna Dalodo- Ortiz of Davao City won as Chairperson; Hon. Tatcher Jara of Davao del Norte as Vice Chairperson; Hon. Nicky Oplisan of Davao de Oro as Secretary General; Hon. John Paul Lampig of Davao Oriental as Treasurer; Hon. Alan Colina of Davao Occidental as Auditor; and Hon. Michelle O. Orpilla of Davao del Sur as P.R.O. While Hon. Rabsalon Lamar, Hon. Joann Monday of Davao Oriental, Hon. Mabel S. Acosta of Davao City, Hon. Rodolfo M. Cartin of Davao del Sur, Hon. Wilfredo Ang and Hon. Neil Francis Labor of Davao de Oro, and Hon. Charles Dupitas and Hon. Malik Olarte of Davao Occidental won with Hon. Matobato as Regional Board of Directors.

And to heighten their familiarity and proficiencies in the exercise of their duties and functions, a NEO Orientation Course for PCL Newly Elected Officers and other Newly Elected Local Legislators of Davao del Norte has also been conducted at Grand Regal Hotel, Davao City, on November 28-30, 2019 lead by Hon. Silvino P. Matobato Jr., PTPR and aided by Davao del Norte- DILG Provincial Director Abito D. Bernasor, CESO IV. DavNor DILG explained the SP Internal Rules of Procedures based on RA 7160 to mean set of rules of procedures that SP Members have to track to ensure and advance in the right course in legislation. He added that “IRP is a guiding principle for Sanggunian Members in the discharge of their official functions, particularly in so far as internal organization, order of session, process, parliamentary procedures and discipline are concerned.” DavNor SP Secretary Dennis Dean T. Castillo, MPA, discussed the “Oversight Function” as one of the important tasks of the Sanggunian. He told them that this is “an evaluation process wherein the SP will determine if the ordinances it enacted are implemented and if so, how they are implemented by the executive branch. In other words, to oversee means to provide check and balance in government administration with the purpose of ensuring that policies are carried out in accordance with how the enacting legislator intended it to be and so that public funds are not wasted.”

Mr. Mario Baldos, LGGO VI of DILG-Davao City enlightened the legislators on the Sanggunian Parliamentary Rules of Procedures to mean “the conduct of Sanggunian Members during session, a standard for facilitating discussions and group decision making.” Based on Chapter 3, Sec. 50 of RA 7160, the Parliamentary Rules of Procedures of the Sanggunian is “the body of rules, ethics, and customs governing meetings/ sessions and other legislative assemblies in order to maintain decorum and facilitate the orderly transaction of the business of the session.”

Davao City DILG Director Merilo Q. Limbaru deliberated on the Quasi-Judicial Functions and Proceedings as incidental power of the Sanggunian. He expounded that Quasi-Judicial Function is referred to as “the power of the Sanggunian to hear and determine controversies outside of its legislative power, the power to hear and determine or ascertain facts and decide cases by the application of the rules of the law in the enforcement and administration of justice, and the power to remedy a situation or impose legal penalties.” In other words, in the quasi-judicial proceedings, the Sanggunian investigates a dispute, weighs evidentiary facts and reaches a binding decision. And on the closing day, Hon. Matobato called for a PCL Provincial Plenary Session recapitulating and closing the orientation program, providing assessment, and gathering suggestions and plans for future PCL legislative activities.

Hon. Parangalan launches Liga ng mga Barangay Learning Journey/Educational Tour, promotes barangay tourism awareness

By: Levy O. Calotes & Elenie E. Doble

In order to promote tourism awareness in the barangay level and enhance barangay best practices, anticipating its economic, socio-cultural, and environmental benefits in the local government units, the Liga ng mga Barangay of the Island Garden City of Samal Chapter, through the good leadership of Hon. Dindo C. Parangalan, FABC President and the participation of 30 Punong Barangays and 2 other officials of the city, initiated the Learning Journey/Educational Tour on Barangay Solid Waste Management, Barangay Disaster Management, Culture and Arts, as well as Barangay best practices of Barangay Manocmanoc and Babalag, Boracay Island, Municipality of Malay, Province of Aklan, on November 6-9, 2019.

Approved by IGACOS City Mayor Hon. Al David T. Yu, City Provincial Director Mr. Abito D. Bernasor, CESO V, and DILG Regional Director Mr. Alex C. Roldan, CESO V, the said benchmarking activity was a great privilege to the 32 participants to have an opportunity to experience the exposure trip and to participate in the capability enhancement educational visit and on-site study of the said Boracay Island in order to adopt and initiate changes towards progress and development in the barangays of Samal Island which is the essence of public service.

As regards Solid Waste Management Program of Barangay Manocmanoc, Island of Boracay, and the Municipality of Malay, the LGU officials, the Island Tourism Management, the Peace & Order Council, the Business Sector, and other private and government agencies were strongly mobilized to take action on proper waste disposal and environmental care and protection. It highlighted the role of the Punong Barangay to issue mandates to barangay officials to be more responsible in maintaining its waste management program keeping in mind the barangay 6 months’ action plan.

It was also a great fulfillment to the Punong Barangays to learn and study about the Barangay Programs and Projects of Barangay Manocmanoc, such as “Love Manocmanoc,” a Committee on Environmental Information and Education Campaign to the Elementary and High School Student, “Manocmanoc Clean-up Drive” to all Zones, “OPLAN Pitik Yosi” to the cigarette smokers, and “No to Single-use Plastic” to all vendors. The Punong Barangays and officials of IGACOS brought home packed of learning experiences and resources useful in their respective area of responsibility. BM Parangalan convinced other barangay officials of other LGUs of Davao del Norte to undergo same learning journey/educational tour for capability enhancement purposes and barangay tourism promotion.
The Sangguniang Kabataan Provincial Federation Officers headed by Honorable Emerson Dave A. Silutan, LPT in partnership with the Provincial Sports and Youth Development Office-Youth Development Division conducted “Linggo ng Kabataan” last December 9-13, 2019 at Davao del Norte Sports and Tourism Complex. Intended to provide an opportunity to further develop the skills and potentials of the youth, this 5-day long activity was participated by the youth delegates coming from different cities, and municipalities of Davao del Norte.

Assisted by the Provincial Sports and Development Office, the Sangguniang Kabataan created an avenue where youth are encouraged to be engaged in diversified activities in order to adjust and overcome adversities. By empowering them, the youth may have the chance to hone and sharpen the skills needed for them to become effective leaders.

The Sangguniang Kabataan leaders must receive training on how to work together meaningfully. By: Ruda Caren P. Balabad, LPT

“having the youth work in partnership with the Sangguniang Kabataan leaders is a key strategy for building youth empowerment and engagement, but in order for these partnerships to be positive and productive, youth and Sangguniang Kabataan leaders must receive training on how to work together meaningfully.”

Aside from the Appropriation Ordinance (AO) No. 2019-005, Series of 2019, approving the CY 2020 General Fund AB of the Provincial Government of Davao del Norte amounting to ₱2,089,440,198.00, approved by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan on December 9, 2019, the SP Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations, chaired by Senior Board Member Robert L. So, also facilitated the immediate approval of Provincial Ordinance No. 2019-010, an ordinance increasing the financial aid to barangays in celebration of Araw ng Barangay from ₱15,000 to ₱25,000.00 effective January 1, 2020.

By: Lorenzo Orias & Romelyn Fortuna