



Republic of the Philippines
City Of Pagadian

Sangguniang Panlungsod
(15th City Council)

**MINUTES OF THE 6TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
(15th CITY COUNCIL) OF PAGADIAN CITY HELD ON 20 AUGUST 2025 AT THE SP
SESSION HALL, 4th FLOOR CITY COMMERCIAL CENTER (C3) BUILDING, PAGADIAN
CITY**

CALL TO ORDER:

Honorable Vice Mayor Monique Shaira Y. To, Presiding Officer, convened and officially called to order the 6th Regular Session of the 15th City Council at 9:25 in the morning.

INVOCATION, SINGING OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL ANTHEM AND RECITATION OF THE “PANUNUMPA SA WATAWAT NG PILIPINAS:

Upon motion of the Floor Leader, Honorable Jackielyn Krystyl C. Bana, the session, accompanied by a prepared audio recording, commenced with the invocation, which was then followed by the mass singing of the Philippine National Anthem, the recitation of the “Panunumpa sa Watawat ng Pilipinas,” the singing of the “Zamboanga del Sur March” and the “Pagadian City Hymn.”

ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:

A roll call was made at the direction of the Chair and quorum was then declared with the attendance of eight (8) Council Members namely: Honorable Vice Mayor Monique Shaira Y. To, Honorable Roger L. Acedillo, Honorable Jackielyn Krystyl C. Bana, Honorable Ma. Alicia Elena V. Ariosa, Honorable Ann Marjorie N. Revelo, Honorable Maphilindo Q. Obaob, Honorable Bienvenido C. Culve, and Honorable Joan Szanne S. Pulmones.

Sometime later on during the course of the proceeding, the presence of Honorable Ariel J. Lim, Jr., and Honorable Marylynn U. Tan were recorded. The body also noted that Honorable Patrisha Kaye N. Asugas and Honorable Lance Samuel F. Co, were both on leave while Honorable Ronald Christopher Glenn L. Ariosa was out on Official Business.

READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 5TH REGULAR SESSION:

At the instance of the Honorable Floor Leader, the body dispensed with the Reading of the Minutes of the 5th Regular Session which was held on August 6, 2025. Thereafter, with the presentation of a formal motion for its approval and, with no discussions from the floor, the minutes was approved as presented.

FIRST READING & REFERRAL TO COMMITTEES:

The herein items calendared for First Reading and Referral to Committees were then taken up and acted upon accordingly, to wit:

1. The letter of Mr. Pericles C. Sollano, General Manager, Pagadian City Water District (PCWD), in response to SP Resolution No. 2025-0006, entitled: “A resolution urging the Management of the Pagadian City Water District (PCWD) to provide and/or furnish the Sangguniang Panlungsod with a copy of the PAMANA Performance Evaluation Report based on the Key Performance Indicators set forth in the Joint Venture Agreement entered into by and between the PCWD and the PAMANA, in aid of legislation,” together with a copy of PCWD’s Board Resolution No. 017-25, was jointly referred to the Committee on Public Utilities, Transportation, Communications and Franchising and Committee on Laws, Rules & Policy Formulation.

The above-mentioned referral was made after Honorable Obaob manifested the need for the Sangguniang Panlungsod to institute action that will compel the PAMANA to perform their mandated obligations in view of the body's information that the worsening problem of water supply in the city was due to the failure of PAMANA to fulfill their obligation as required under the Joint Venture Agreement entered into by and between the PCWD and the PAMANA.

2. The following requests of the Honorable City Mayor were jointly referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Fishery & Agrarian Reform and Committee on Laws, Rules & Policy Formulation.
 - Endorsed request of the Honorable City Mayor for an authority to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), for and in behalf of the City Government of Pagadian, with the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) for the implementation of the Communal Nursery Establishment as a project component of the Coconut Hybridization Program under the Coconut Farmers and Industry Development Plan of the PCA.
 - Endorsed request of the Honorable City Mayor for an authority to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), for and in behalf of the City Government of Pagadian, with the Department of Agriculture, for the provision of a Corn Sheller under the Corn Program.
 - Endorsed request of the Honorable City Mayor for an authority to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), for and in behalf of the City Government of Pagadian, with the Department of Agriculture, for the provision of one (1) unit Mini-Tilling Machine under the Department's Farm and Post-Harvest Mechanization Program.
 - Endorsed request of the Honorable City Mayor for an authority to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), for and in behalf of the City Government of Pagadian, with the Department of Agriculture, for the provision of Edible Landscaping under the Department's National Urban and Peri-Urban Agriculture Program.
3. A joint referral was made for the unnumbered Draft Ordinance, authored by Honorable Ma. Alicia Elena V. Ariosa, entitled: "An Ordinance Adopting the Pagadian City Tourism Code," to the Committee on Tourism, Sisterhood Program, Arts & Culture; and Committee on Laws, Rules & Policy Formulation.
4. The endorsed letter from Mr. Nestor A. Gonzales, Founding Chairman, Blackmoon Riders' Association, Pagadian City, Zamboanga del Sur, supporting the full implementation of mandatory helmet use in the city was deemed noted and to be put on file. Along with this action, the Secretary to the Sanggunian was directed to furnish Mr. Gonzales with a copy of Resolution No. 2025-0052 which, in gist, requested the Honorable City Mayor to direct the concerned national and local offices/agencies to strictly enforce the provisions of City Ordinance No. 2018-416, entitled: "An Ordinance Requiring All Drivers And Riders/Passengers Of Motorcycles To Wear The Duly Approved Protective Half-Face Helmet With Uncovered Face While Driving And Imposing Penalty For Violation Thereof," and all other related national laws.
5. Resolution No. 12-88-2025 from the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Zamboanga del Sur, entitled: "Reminding Sangguniang Panlungsod Secretary Elkid Nacua of Pagadian City to fast track the preparation and transmittal of time-bound ordinances, such as temporary road closures, to ensure timely review by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan was deemed noted and filed.
6. As for Resolution No. 3011-2025 from the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Zamboanga del Sur, entitled: "A resolution enjoining all local government units in the province of Zamboanga del sur, especially the municipalities of Ramon Magsaysay, Labangan,

Josefina, Dumalinao, and Tigbao, to enact an ordinance mandating the establishment of control points at least 100 meters before any critical descent segment along national highways within their respective territorial jurisdictions,” the body resolved to refer the same to the Committee on Public Utilities, Transportation, Communications & Franchising.

7. A referral was made for Resolution No. 3055-2025 from the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Zamboanga del Sur, entitled: “Adopting the guidelines issued by the Provincial Governor on the implementation of monkeypox surveillance, referral protocol and infection control for compliance by all the component local government units including the barangays, within the Province of Zamboanga del Sur” to the Committee on Health & Social Services.
8. Resolution No. 12-98-2025 from the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Zamboanga del Sur, entitled: “Enjoining all local government units in the Province of Zamboanga del Sur to strictly comply with the mandate of Republic Act No. 10054, otherwise known as the “Motorcycle Helmet Act of 2009” was deemed noted and filed following the information provided by the Presiding Officer that the matter had already been acted upon by this august body during the previous session.

Along with this action, the Secretary to the Sanggunian was directed to furnish the Sangguniang Panlalawigan with a copy of Resolution No. 2025-0052 and City Ordinance No. 2018–416, for their information.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Upon resumption after a brief recess, the body unanimously approved the consideration of the herein Committee Reports, and the recommendations contained therein were acted upon as recorded herein, as follows:

1. Joint Committee Report No. 009 from the Committee on Infrastructure, Public Bidding & Community Development and on Committee on Police Fire and Public Safety, as reported by Honorable Roger L. Acedillo, for Referral No. 15cc-0023, pertaining to the issue on persistent flooding occurring in the city more particularly in the low-lying areas and the need for a whole-of-the-government approach to address the matter. Based on the Committee’s recommendations, the body approved **Resolution No. 2025-0054**, requesting the Honorable City Mayor to direct the City Engineer to immediately undertake the formulation of a comprehensive drainage system plan and design to address the problem of flooding in the low-lying areas of Pagadian City during heavy downpour.
2. Next considered was the Joint Committee Report No. 010 from the Committee on Infrastructure, Public Bidding & Community Development, Committee on Laws, Rules and Policy Formulation; and Committee on Police Fire and Public Safety, as presented by Honorable Acedillo, for Referral No. 15cc-0024, on the issue presented by Honorable Pulmones relative to a letter from an anonymous concerned citizen requesting for an investigation pertaining to the construction of a building situated at Barangay Santiago, this city, which is allegedly violating provisions of the National Building Code.

The body, based on the information provided by the concerned Committees that the complaint was made in an anonymous nature and there is lack of sufficient detail regarding the specific location and the alleged violations of the construction at Barangay Santiago such that any action taken may be premature and lacking of factual basis, deemed it appropriate to note and file the matter for future reference.

3. Joint Committee Report No. 011 from the Committee on Infrastructure, Public Bidding & Community Development and Committee on Public Utilities, Transportation, Communications & Franchising, as reported by Honorable Acedillo, for Referral No. 15cc-0031, facilitated the approval of Draft Resolution No. 011

through the passage of **Resolution No. 2025-0055**, requesting the Honorable City Mayor to direct the City Engineer to install and/or rehabilitate street name signages in every intersection of all major thoroughfares/streets of the City of Pagadian more particularly in the urban barangays for the information, guidance and direction of the public.

4. For Joint Committee Report No. 012 from the Committee on Markets and Slaughterhouse/Dressing Plants, Committee on Ways and Means, Committee on Public Utilities, Transportation, Communications & Franchising, Committee on Police, Fire and Public Safety and Committee on Commerce, Trade & Industry & Economic Enterprises & Cooperatives, as reported by Honorable Acedillo, for Referral No. 15cc-0038, the unnumbered Draft Ordinance, entitled: “An Ordinance establishing the operation of Dry Goods Night Market in the City of Pagadian and providing regulations thereof,” the body resolved to lay the matter on the table until a more thorough and feasible draft can be formulated that will fully address operational, regulatory, and public safety concerns.

OTHER MATTERS:

For the items calendared under Other Matters, the herein actions were recorded as unanimously adopted by the body to officially dispose of the items, to wit:

1. Draft Resolution No. 016, sponsored by Honorable Ma. Alicia Elena V. Ariosa, entitled: “A resolution intensifying tourism activities in the City of Pagadian to promote economic development and cultural heritage preservation,” was urgently considered.

During the discussion, Honorable Lim, Jr. suggested to come up with specific tourism activities/programs that needs to be intensified by the City Government and specify the same in the resolution as he then proposed to refer the matter first to an appropriate committee. At this point, the Honorable Presiding Officer informed the body that there is now available tourism road map, as she clarified that this is just a sentiment of the proponent. The proponent, on the other hand, manifested the lack of tourism sites/spots available in the city as she then contended that the foregoing draft will somehow address the same. Furthermore, the proponent contended, in response to the proposition of the Honorable Floor Leader to include in the preservation the original motorized tricycle-for-hire, that she had previously sponsored a resolution for that purpose during the previous set of council, to which Honorable Revelo argued the need for this Council to enact another resolution of the same nature as the previous measure is already ineffective.

A recess was declared to allow the Council Members discuss the matter informally and, upon resumption, the body, upon motion of Honorable Ma. Alicia Elena V. Ariosa and duly seconded, approved the same through **Resolution No. 2025-0056**, requesting the Honorable City Mayor to strengthen and intensify tourism activities in the City of Pagadian for the promotion of economic development and the preservation of cultural heritage.

Along with such action, the matter concerning the proposal of the Council Members to call for a dialogue with all stakeholders purposely to specifically identify tourism activities that will help promote the city’s economic development as well as the cultural heritage preservation was referred to the Committee on Tourism, Sisterhood Program, Arts & Culture.

2. The endorsed request of Mr. Jose Raul A. Sanial, General Manager & CEO of Zamboanga del Sur 1 Electric Cooperative, Inc., (ZAMSURECO 1), for the issuance of Certificate of Posting as a pre-filing requirement for the Joint Application for

Approval of the Emergency Supply Agreement (EPSA) between Malita Power Incorporated (MPI), was referred to the Committee on Public Utilities, Transportation, Communications & Franchising.

3. A referral was made for the endorsed Application for Reclassification of Area from Agricultural to Commercial Zone owned by Mr. Cesar C. Dacal, Sr., on Lot No. 4337-B; covered by TCT-131-2017000869; TD No. 2019-000224, containing an area of 18,240, square meters, situated at Purok Balatong-2, Barangay Kahayagan, this city, to the Committee on Planning & Landed Estates.
4. The letter–information from His Honor, City Mayor Samuel S. Co, relative to the scheduled Finalization Workshop for Pagadian City Local Governance Canvas on August 28-31, 2025 at Metro Manila, Philippines, and his request for a copy of a Travel Order for all Sangguniang Panlungsod Members and the Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod purposely for the finalization of logistics preparation was deemed noted and to be out on file, with a further direction to the Secretary to the Sanggunian to furnish all SP Members with a copy of the same.
5. As for the endorsed letter of Honorable City Mayor Samuel S. Co, for the Sangguniang Panlungsod to designate one member for the for the creation/constitution of the People’s Law Enforcement Board (PLEB), pursuant to DILG Circular No. 2017-154, 3.3.2.1a, the body, following the suspension of the rules to urgently consider the same and, upon motion of the Floor Leader and duly seconded, resolved to adopt **Resolution No. 2025-0057**, naming and designating Honorable Maphilindo Q. Obaob as the official representative of the Sangguniang Panlungsod (15th City Council) to the People’s Law Enforcement Board (PLEB) of the City of Pagadian.
6. For the copy furnished First Notice from the District Engineer, Zamboanga del Sur 1st District Engineering Office, addressed to Honorable Chermar “Che” Tampus, Punong Barangay of Tiguma, this City, on the subject: Removal of Structure Along the Road-Right-Of-Way, pursuant to Department Order No. 73, the body, after a brief recess, and upon motion of the Honorable Floor Leader and duly seconded, resolved to pass **Resolution No. 2025-0058**, advising the Barangay Government of Tiguma, through Punong Barangay Shermar Tampus, to comply with the First Notice issued by the District Engineer, Zamboanga del Sur 1st District Engineering Office, for the immediate removal of structure along the road right-of-way of the Airport Road, situated at Barangay Tiguma, this city.

This resolution shall be furnished to the City DILG and the DILG Regional Office for their information.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS:

At this juncture, the Honorable Floor Leader presented her concern under Unscheduled Matters, which pertains to the need to adopt the digital archive initiated by the Office of the Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod. Following a brief deliberation and after the rules were suspended to urgently consider the matter, the body, upon her motion and duly seconded, enacted **Resolution No. 2025-0059**, adopting and institutionalizing the digital archive initiative of the Office of the Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod for the preservation and digitization of legislative documents.

PRIVILEGE HOUR:

At this point, Honorable Revelo, upon recognition, rose on a point of privilege hour where she presented the matter pertaining to the mandatory wearing of protective helmets by motorcycle drivers and riders in the City of Pagadian as mandated by Republic Act No. 10054 and further boosted by City Ordinance No. 2018-416. In relation thereto, she cited that during the 13th City Council, the mandatory wearing of half face helmet by

drivers and passengers of motorcycle as mandated under City Ordinance No. 2018-416 was temporarily suspended due to the alleged rising cases of killings perpetrated by so-called riding in tandem. Furthermore, she stated that during the previous Council, the 14th City Council, she authored a similar ordinance purposely to safeguard and protect lives from road accidents, but to her dismay, the measure was vetoed by the City Chief Executive.

Now with the full support of Congressman Joseph Kim Yu, 1st District of Zamboanga del Sur, the LTO, the PNP and other concerned national and local government offices, the mandatory wearing of helmet in the City of Pagadian is now being implemented, to which she expressed elation over the concerted effort exerted by the concerned agencies/offices to invigorate such life-saving measure. She then echoed the words of PNP Provincial Director Arañas that “more lives are lost due to motorcycle accidents than shooting incidents involving motorcycle riders,” as she further intimated that safety should not be sacrificed in the name of security, instead there is a need for good collaboration between community, law enforcers and others to curb criminality, as the fight against crime should not come at the cost of public safety. Finally, she exhorted everyone to continue to work together to ensure that every Pagadianon feels safe in the streets.

Thereafter, as the privilege speech was not subjected to interpellation, the body deemed noted and filed the same.

UNSCHEDULED COMMITTEE REPORT:

At this juncture, the body proceeded to treat the unscheduled Joint Committee Report No. 013 from the Committee on Health & Social Services; Committee on Police, Fire & Public Safety; and Oversight Committee, as reported by Honorable Lim for Referral No. 15cc-0030. The matter pertains to the information/data provided by the Philippine Red Cross–Zamboanga del Sur Chapter relative to the bloodletting activities covering the period from January 2025 up to June 2025 where it was revealed that at least ten (10) persons were confirmed as reactive Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) after testing. During the presentation, it was revealed, based on the findings of the concerned Committees, that there were nine (9) persons confirmed as reactive for the said period but the tenth individual was from an earlier test prior to January 2025. It was also established that the success of proactive testing and some inadequacies were observed particularly the lack of sundown clinics in the city and the need for wider coverage on the information campaign and testing to all barangays. Thereafter, the body, in support of the recommendations of the concerned Committees, enacted the following resolutions, to wit:

- **Resolution No. 2025-0060**, requesting the Honorable City Mayor to consider the allocation/appropriation of funds necessary for the establishment of a Sundown Clinic in the City of Pagadian purposely to provide critical health services for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) testing and counselling, preventive education and psychosocial support;
- **Resolution No. 2025-0061**, strongly recommends to the Honorable City Mayor to allocate/appropriate funds necessary for the hiring of additional personnel dedicated solely to Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Prevention Program; and
- **Resolution No. 2025-0062**, requesting the Honorable City Mayor to direct the City Health Officer to conduct Quarterly Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Awareness Campaign and Testing Program in all 54 barangays of the city.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no more matters to discuss, the session was declared adjourned on motion of Honorable Bana, following the closing prayer led by Honorable Bienvenido C. Culve.

Time of adjournment: 10 50 P.M.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing minutes.

ELKID P. NACUA

Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

Verified:

ROGER L. ACEDILLO

SP Member

JACKIELYN KRYSTYL C. BANA

SP Member/Floor Leader

(On leave)

PATRISHA KAYE N. ASUGAS

SP Member

ARIEL J. LIM, JR.

SP Member

MA. ALICIA ELENA V. ARIOSAS

SP Member

ANN MARJORIE N. REVELO

SP Member

(On leave)

MAPHILINDO Q. OBAOB

SP Member

LANCE SAMUEL F. CO

SP Member

(Official Business)

BIENVENIDO C. CULVE

SP Member

RONALD CHRISTOPHER GLENN L. ARIOSAS

SP Member

JOAN SZANNE S. PULMONES

SP Member (LB)

MARYLYNN U. TAN

SP Member (SK)

Approved:

MONIQUE SHAIRA Y. TO

City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer