



Republic of the Philippines
City Of Pagadian

Sangguniang Panlungsod
(15th City Council)

**MINUTES OF THE 36TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
(15th CITY COUNCIL) OF PAGADIAN CITY HELD ON 13 MAY 2026 AT THE SP SESSION
HALL, 4th FLOOR CITY COMMERCIAL CENTER (C3) BUILDING, PAGADIAN CITY**

CALL TO ORDER:

The Honorable Ronald Christopher Glenn L. Ariosa, who was designated as temporary Presiding Officer, convened and officially called to order the 36th Regular Session of the 15th City Council at 9:34 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, followed thereafter by the mass singing of the Philippine National Anthem, the recitation of the “Panunumpa sa Watawat ng Pilipinas,” the singing of both 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 only four (4) Council Members were noted present, namely: Honorable Roger L. Acedillo, Honorable Jackielyn Krystyl C. Bana, Honorable Bienvenido C. Culve, and Honorable Ronald Christopher Glenn L. Ariosa. As this number was insufficient to constitute a quorum, a recess was declared.

The session resumed at 9:50 a.m., and after another roll call was conducted, quorum was then declared with the attendance of eight (8) Council Members through the addition of Honorable Ariel J. Lim, Jr., Honorable Ma. Alicia Elena V. Ariosa, Honorable Lance Samuel F. Co, and Honorable Marylynn U. Tan.

Sometime later on during the course of the proceeding, the presence of Honorable Patrisha Kaye N. Asugas, Honorable Maphilindo Q. Obaob, and Honorable Joan Szanne S. Pulmones were recorded as acknowledged by the Chair. The body also took note that Honorable Vice Mayor Monique Shaira Y. To and Honorable Ann Marjorie N. Revelo were both on leave.

READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 35TH REGULAR SESSION:

At the instance of the Honorable Floor Leader, the body dispensed with the Reading of the Minutes of the 35th Regular Session held on May 6, 2026. Thereafter, with the presentation of a formal motion for its adoption and there being no comments or 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 Annual Budgets of the different Barangays were referred to the Committee on Finance & Appropriations, viz:
 - ✓ Appropriation Ordinance No. 01, s. 2026 (Annual Budget) of Barangay Macasing, involving an appropriation of Five Million Pesos (P5,000,000.00).
 - ✓ Appropriation Ordinance No. 01, s. 2026 (Annual Budget) of Barangay Napolan, involving an appropriation of Sixteen Million Two Hundred Thousand Pesos (P16,200,000.00).

- ✓ Appropriation Ordinance No. 02, s. 2026 (Supplemental Budget) of Barangay Bulatok, involving an appropriation of Two Hundred Sixty-Four Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Seven Pesos and Eighty-Six Centavos (P264,167.86).
 - ✓ Appropriation Ordinance No. 01, s. 2026 (Annual Budget) of Barangay Bogo, involving an appropriation of Five Million Three Hundred Thousand Pesos (P5,300,000.00).
2. A referral was made for the endorsed pro-forma Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to be entered into by and among the City Government of Pagadian, the Department of Agriculture, Regional Office IX, and the ZAMSURGEA Community Multi-Purpose Cooperative, relative to the implementation of Livestock Economic Enterprise Development (LEED) Program-Established Multiplier Farm, with a request of the Honorable City Mayor for an authority to enter into the same, to the Committee on Agriculture and Fishery.
 3. For the endorsed request of the Honorable City Mayor for the passage of a resolution authorizing him to grant a monetary reward/award to the PNP-HPG Provincial Highway Patrol Team, for the successful interception of illegal drugs, with approximately ten (10) kilograms of suspected shabu and an estimated value of Sixty-Eight Million Pesos (P68,000,000.00), during the conduct of anti-carnapping operation and routine checkpoint along the national highway at Barangay Buenavista, this city, last April 28, 2026, the body resolved to refer the same to the Committee on Police, Fire, Public Safety and Illegal Drug Prevention.
 4. A referral was made to the Committee on Laws, Rules & Policy Formulation for the endorsed Legal Opinion from the City Legal Office, relative to the passage and approval of City Ordinance No. 2026-627 which, in gist, suspends the implementation of Section 216 of City Ordinance No. 2018-400, with a recommendation, among others, that the afore-cited section of the said Ordinance, which is found to be legally defective, be instead repealed.
 5. As for the endorsed Motion for Reconsideration filed by Respondent, Punong Barangay Prince Joy I. Gerona, relative to the body's decision in SP Admin Case No. 003-2025, entitled: "John M. Cajote, et. al., vs. Punong Barangay Prince Joy I. Gerona, for Dereliction of Duty, Gross Negligence, Misconduct, and Abuse of Authority," which found the respondent administratively liable for two (2) counts of Grave Misconduct and imposing upon him the penalty of suspension from office for a period of six (6) months, the body, on motion made by Honorable Floor Leader and duly seconded, resolved to refer the same to the body acting as Committee of the Whole.

OTHER MATTERS:

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

1. First considered was the unscheduled Committee Report No. 160 from the Committee on Finance and Appropriation, as reported by Honorable Bana, for Referral Nos. 15cc-0250, 0280, 0281, & 0282. The body, following a brief deliberation, passed the herein resolutions, viz:
 - ✓ **Resolution No. 2026-0369**, declaring Appropriation Ordinance No. 01, s. 2026, (CY—2026 Annual Budget) of the Sangguniang Barangay of Tiguma, this City, to be operative and in full force and effect;

- ✓ **Resolution No. 2026-0370**, declaring Appropriation Ordinance No. 01, s. 2026, (CY—2026 Annual Budget) of the Sangguniang Barangay of Santa Maria, this City, to be operative and in full force and effect;
 - ✓ **Resolution No. 2026-0371**, declaring Appropriation Ordinance No. 01, s. 2026, (CY—2026 Annual Budget) of the Sangguniang Barangay of Kahayagan, this City, to be operative and in full force and effect; and
 - ✓ **Resolution No. 2026-0372**, declaring Appropriation Ordinance No. 01, s. 2026, (CY—2026 Annual Budget) of the Sangguniang Barangay of Poloyagan, this City, to be operative and in full force and effect.
2. The Joint Committee Report No. 161 from the Committee on Laws, Rules & Policy Formulation; and Committee on Police, Fire, Public Safety and Illegal Drug Prevention, as presented by Honorable Bana, for Referral No. 16cc-0279, pertaining to the Machine Copy of Memorandum Circular No. 2026-029, dated April 08, 2026 from the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), on the subject: “Encouraging the enactment of Local Ordinances for safer cities: A call to action for Local Government Units; Attached hereto are the following pro-forma ordinances, to wit:
- ✓ “An Ordinance Banning Drinking of Liquor and Intoxicating Beverages on Public Areas;
 - ✓ “An Ordinance Prohibiting the Act of Being Topless or Half-Naked in Public Places;
 - ✓ “An Ordinance Regulating the Use of Videoke Machines and Other Amplified Audio Devices;
 - ✓ “An Ordinance Instituting Curfew Hours for Minors.

Following the presentation of the Joint Committee’s recommendation to adopt the afore-cited ordinances *en toto*, the Chair declared a recess to discuss the issue informally. Upon resumption, in view of the information provided by Honorable Bana that there are existing ordinances pertaining to the banning of drinking liquor and intoxicating beverages on public areas; regulating the use of videoke machines and other amplified audio devices; and the institution of curfew hours for minors, the body, supported her new motion to approve on First Reading Draft Ordinance No. 039, entitled: “An Ordinance Prohibiting the Act of Being Topless or Half–Naked in Public Places,” through the passage of **Resolution No. 2026-0373**.

Along with this action, the Secretary was directed to calendar Draft Ordinance No. 039 on Second Reading in the next regular session.

3. At this point, Honorable Bana informed the Council Members on the need to schedule a Special Session on May 19, 2026 at 10:00 o’clock in the morning at the SP Session Hall, to urgently treat the matter pertaining to the endorsed request of the Honorable City Mayor for the passage of a resolution authorizing him to grant a monetary reward/award to the PNP-HPG Provincial Highway Patrol Team, for the successful interception of illegal drugs, with approximately ten (10) kilograms of suspected shabu and an estimated value of Sixty-Eight Million Pesos (P68,000,000.00), during the conduct of anti-carnapping operation and routine checkpoint along the national highway at Barangay Buenavista, this city, last April 28, 2026.

Following an informal huddle from the individual members of the City Council, the body, upon her formal motion and duly seconded, resolved to adopt **Resolution No. 2026-0374**, approving the holding of a Special Session on May 19,

2026 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at the SP Session Hall, 4th floor City Commercial Center Building, Santiago District, this city, to deliberate on the committee report of the Committee on Police, Fire, Public Safety and Illegal Drug Prevention on the request of the Honorable City Mayor for authority to grant a monetary reward to the PNP-HPG Provincial Highway Patrol Team for the successful interception of illegal drugs worth approximately P68 Million during an anti-carnapping operation and checkpoint at Barangay Buenavista on April 28, 2026.

4. For the information provided by Honorable Bana on the need to convene the body as Committee of the Whole for the conduct of hearing on SP Admin Case No. 004-2026 against Barangay Kagawad Arnel Cruz of Barangay Sto. Niño, for being tested positive on illegal drugs, the Council Members agreed that the body acting as Committee of the Whole will convene on May 20, 2026, at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose. The notice to convene will be called and signed by the Chairman Pro Tempore and be distributed to the Council Members.

At this point, Honorable Ronald Christopher Glenn L. Ariosa relinquished the Chair to Honorable Obaob, Chairman Pro Tempore.

5. With Honorable Obaob now presiding, Honorable Lim, Jr. was recognized to present Joint Committee Report No. 162 from the Committee on Planning and Landed Estate, Housing and Urban/Rural Community Development and Committee on Disaster/Calamity Resilience and Management, for Referral No. 15cc-0159, relative to Resolution No. 12-433-2025, from the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Zamboanga del Sur, entitled: "Urging the Local Chief Executive of Pagadian City to revisit and review ordinances governing settlements along riverbanks, no-build zones and similar areas so that when calamities strike, the Local Government is adequately prepared."

Based on the information, it was revealed that the resolution is explicitly directed toward the Chief Executive, and review of such ordinances falls under his discretion, thus the body supported the recommendation of the concerned Committees to forward Resolution No. 12-433-2025 to the Honorable City Mayor, for his appropriate action, with an information that the Sangguniang Panlungsod has no existing ordinance related to the matter but only an indirect ordinance relative to housing.

6. Next considered was Committee Report No. 163 from the Committee on Planning and Landed Estates, as reported by Honorable Lim, Jr., for Referral No. 15cc-0152. Following a brief discussion, the body resolved to adopt the Committee's recommendation through the passage of **Resolution No. 2026-0375**, authorizing the Honorable City Mayor to negotiate and purchase, for and in behalf of the City Government of Pagadian, a parcel of land known as Lot No. 6053-A, owned by Mr. Raul B. Horolan, with an aggregate land area of 20,000 Square Meters, situated at Barangay Bomba, this city, as additional lot for the City Government's Housing and Resettlement Project Known as the "Asenso Village."
7. Lastly, Honorable Ronald Christopher Glenn L. Ariosa presented his proposal to commend the Provincial Highway Patrol Team–Zamboanga del Sur for their successful interception of illegal drugs, with approximately ten (10) kilograms of suspected shabu and an estimated value of Sixty-Eight Million Pesos (P68,000,000.00), during the conduct of anti-carnapping operation and routine checkpoint along the national highway at Barangay Buenavista, this city, last April 28, 2026.

During the discussion, the proponent, in response to the queries posed by Honorable Lim, Jr. for updates and identification of the driver who had abandoned the vehicle, explained that the authorities are working closely on the investigation but the identity of the parties involved cannot yet be revealed. The Presiding Officer, in support of the proponent’s manifestation, shared that when an operation is successful, the Chairman of the Committee on Police, fire, Public Safety and Illegal Drug Prevention is usually provided a copy or updates so it is most likely that the investigation still ongoing and a leak might jeopardize the same. With no further discussion, the motion of Honorable Ronald Christopher Glenn L. Ariosa and duly seconded, was approved through the passage of **Resolution No. 2026-0376**, commending the exemplary performance, courage and dedication to service of the following officers and personnel of the PNP Provincial Highway Patrol Team– Zamboanga del Sur for the successful interception and seizure of an approximately ten (10) kilograms of suspected illegal drugs (Methamphetamine Hydrochloride or locally known as “Shabu”), with an estimated value of at least Sixty-Eight Million Pesos (P68,000,000.00), during the conduct of anti-carnapping operation and routine checkpoint along the National Highway at Barangay Buenavista, this city, last April 28, 2026, as named herein, viz:

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| 1. PCOL Arnie A. Cuaresma | - | Supervisor |
| 2. PMAJ Jason Ray Z. Gomera | - | Team Leader |
| 3. PLT Bobby L. Solis | - | Asst. Team Leader |
| 4. PEMS Victor Herrera | - | Member |
| 5. PCMS Isabelo A. Pigar | - | Member |
| 6. PSMS Jerix B. Culanculan | - | Member |
| 7. PMSg Elvin L. Baes | - | Member |
| 8. PSSg Mariano B. Viste, Jr. | - | Member |
| 9. PCpl Roxan C. Orito | - | Member |
| 10. PCpl Arvin R. Villarin | - | Member |
| 11. PCpl Moktar A. Sayagkot | - | Member |

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Time of adjournment: 10:56 A.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

PATRISHA KAYE N. ASUGAS
SP Member

ARIEL J. LIM, JR.
SP Member

MA. ALICIA ELENA V. ARIOSAS
SP Member

(On Leave)
ANN MARJORIE N. REVELO
SP Member

LANCE SAMUEL F. CO
SP Member

BIENVENIDO C. CULVE
SP Member

RONALD CHRISTOPHER GLENN L. ARIOS
SP Member

JOAN SZANNE S. PULMONES
SP Member (LB)

MARYLYNN U. TAN
SP Member (SK)

Approved:

(On Leave)
MONIQUE SHAIRA Y. TO
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

MAPHILINDO Q. OBAOB
Chairman Pro-Tempore, Presiding