

**REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
BATANGAS CITY**

**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD**

**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION HELD BY THE  
MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF BATANGAS CITY  
ON JUNE 13, 2017 AT THE SANGGUNIANG SESSION HALL**

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Aileen Grace A. Montalbo,	Acting Presiding Officer
Hon. Glenn M. Aldover,	Councilor
Hon. Sergie Rex M. Atienza,	“
Hon. Hamilton G. Blanco,	“
Hon. Oliver Z. Macatangay,	“
Hon. Armando C. Lazarte,	“
Hon. Karlos Emmanjuel A. Buted,	“
Hon. Julian B. Villena,	“
Hon. Gerardo A. Dela Roca,	“
Hon. Nestor E. Dimacuha,	“
Hon. Nelson J. Chavez,	“
Hon. Angelito “Dondon” A. Dimacuha,	ABC-Rep.
Hon. Emilio Francisco A. Berberabe Jr., (Vacation Leave)	Presiding Officer
Hon. Alyssa Renee A. Cruz,	Councilor

“On motion of Councilor Atienza seconded by Councilor Villena, the following Resolution was Adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO 162 S. 2017**

**A RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP THAT WILL  
FORMULATE AND RECOMMEND NECESSARY MEASURES IN RESOLUTION TO THE  
PLIGHT OF LOCAL FISHERMEN/MARGINALIZED FISHERFOLKS SPECIFICALLY  
THEIR LIVELIHOOD WITHOUT COMPROMISING THE SAFETY OF VITAL  
INSTALLATIONS/HEAVY INDUSTRIES IN THE CITY**

**WHEREAS**, R.A. 7160 otherwise known as the “Local Government of 1991” provides on Section 16 that is the General Welfare clause that “Every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare. Within their respective territorial jurisdiction, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecology, encourage and support the development of appropriate and self reliant scientific and technological capabilities, improve public morals, enhance economic prosperity and social justice, promote full employment among their residents, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants.”;

**WHEREAS**, the same statute states on “ARTICLE III, Section 458 (a) (2) (xi) Subject to the provisions of Book II of this Code, grant the exclusive privilege of constructing fish corrals or fish pens, or the taking or catching of bangus fry, prawn fry or kawag-kawag, or fry of any species or fish within the city waters”;

**WHEREAS**, the local fisher folks who has been freely enjoying the privileges of gathering or catching fish or marine products before especially those who are gathering fingerlings or milt on seasonal period complains that they are greatly affected with the restriction or prohibition of the heavy industries that led to the uncertainty and endangerment on their only source of livelihood;

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**WHEREAS**, it was perceived that the rationale for such prohibition and restriction were Safety and Security reasons of the vital installations/heavy industries that any untoward incident or any act of terror may lead to not just possible endangerment to vast number of employees but may likewise have an immense national or local economic and social impact;

**WHEREAS**, since the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City gives an utmost recognition to the value of local fisher folks and their valuable contribution to the society, their rights and needs, parallel to the awareness and recognition to the possible detrimental effects resulting from any untoward incident to the vital installation, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City believes that the issues of the stakeholders are reconcilable through an efficient coordination, planning and compromise agreement that may be formulated and recommended by a Special Technical Working Group;

**WHEREAS**, the Special Technical Working Group to the Sanggunian that shall convene under the joint committee on Committee on Agriculture and Cooperatives, Committee on Fire and Public Safety and Committee on Barangay Affairs shall consist of but not limited to the following:

- Head, Office of the City Veterinary and Agricultural Services
- Head, City Planning and Development Office
- Head, City Environment Office
- Batangas City Disaster Risk Reduction Mgt. Officer
- Representatives from the concerned private sectors
- Batangas City Maritime Police
- Coast Guard Batangas City (CGSS)
- Chairperson, City Agricultural and Fishery Council (CAFC)
- Representatives from local fisher folks/marginalized fishermen (such as but not limited to Lakas Bisig ng Mangingisda and SAMAKA)
- Chairperson, Bantay Dagat and respective team leaders

**WHEREAS**, the Special Technical Working Group will have functions such as but not limited to the following:

1. To formulate and recommend necessary measures to the plight of local fishermen/marginalized fisher folks specifically their livelihood without compromising the safety of vital installation/heavy industries in the city in aide of legislation;
2. To formulate and recommend efficient fishery programs for local fisher folks/marginalized fishermen for the City Government and the concerned private sector;
3. To recommend and submit resolutions to the Sangguniang Panlungsod concerning fisheries and aquatic resources management and conservation measures for adoption into city ordinances;
4. To promote ancillary economic activities, including marketing and socio-economic services for local fisher folks/marginalized fishermen;

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5. To assist and support the Sanggunian in aide of legislation through the conduct and submission of fisheries and aquatic resources management studies and researches in the city that will support the objective of this resolution;
6. To assist and support the Sanggunian by establishing and recommending fishing zones, demarcated areas and in delineating navigational lanes that shall be agreed upon by the stakeholders concerned;
7. To perform such other functions necessary to achieve the objectives of this Resolution;

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved, as it hereby resolves by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas in session assembled to create a Special Technical Working Group that will formulate and recommend necessary measures in resolution to the plight of local fishermen/marginalized fisherfolks specifically their livelihood without compromising the safety of vital installations/heavy industries in the city.


**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this resolution be sent to all the stakeholders and agencies duly mentioned in this resolution.

**UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**"


I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 162 S. 2017 was approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City during its Regular Session held on June 13, 2017.

  
**ATTY. IVY AUDREY D. TELEGATOS**  
 Board Secretary I  
 Sangguniang Panlungsod

**NOTED:**

  
**ATTY. OLIVA D. TELEGATOS**  
 Secretary  
 Sangguniang Panlungsod

**ATTESTED:**

  
**AILEEN GRACE A. MONTALBO**  
 Acting Presiding Officer

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

SUBMITTED BY : **COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATIVES**

SUBJECT : THE REQUEST OF MARGINALIZED FISHERMEN TO ACQUIRE OR GATHER MILT IN SELECTED SEASON AND TO CONVEY THIS REQUEST TO SHELL THROUGH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD.

**COMMENTS/ RECOMMENDATION:**

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture was an issue raised last May 9, 2017 during the privilege hour of the Sangguniang Panlungsod regular session regarding the request of marginalized fishermen to acquire or gather milt in selected season and to convey this request to Shell through Sangguniang Panlungsod, for study, comments and recommendations.

Relative thereto, a committee hearing was immediately held last June 1, 2017 with the presence of the members of committee and invited guests. Present were the chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Cooperatives, Coun. Sergie Rex M. Atienza and members of the committee, Coun. Aileen A. Montalbo and Coun. Julian B. Villena as duly authorized temporary member. Also present from the Sangguniang Panlungsod were Coun. Alyssa Renee A. Cruz, Coun. Oliver Z. Macatangay, Coun. Armando C. Lazarte, Coun. Glenn M. Aldover, Coun. Nestor Dimacuha and ABC President Angelito A. Dimacuha. Likewise, the Police Superintendent Alvin A. Gumacal and SPO1 Fernando R. Marpuri both from the Batangas City Maritime Police, Mr. Ezekiel C. Mendoza, President of Lakas Bigkis ng Mangingisda, Mr. Teodoro M. Duño from Samaka and Mr. Popoy Caaway, Barangay Councilor from Tabangao Aplaya.

In view of the foregoing, the Committee recommends:

1. The adoption of this Committee Report
2. The approval of the required Resolution attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted June 13, 2017.

**THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATIVES**

  
**COUNCILOR SERGIE REX M. ATIENZA**

Chairman

  
**COUN. AILEEN GRACE A. MONTALBO**  
Authorized Temporary Member

  
**COUN. JULIAN B. VILLENA**  
Authorized Temporary Member