





# 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 MARCH 12, 2024 AT THE SANGGUNIAN SESSION HALL

## PRESENT:

Hon. Alyssa Renee A. Cruz	Presiding Officer
Hon. Hamilton G. Blanco,	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Karlos Emmanjuel A. Buted,	"
Hon. Andrea Loise F. Macaraig,	"
Hon. Nestor E. Dimacuha,	"
Hon. Oliver Z. Macatangay,	22
Hon. Armando C. Lazarte,	22
Hon. Nelson J. Chavez,	22
Hon. Jose Jonash Luis F. Tolentino,	27
Hon. Zester Carlo M. Hernandez,	"
Hon. Isidra "Ched" M. Atienza,	,,
Hon. Lorenzo A. Gamboa, Jr.,	,,
Hon. Michael C. Villena,	"
Hon. Angelito Dondon A. Dimacuha, Hon. Marcus Manuel D. Castillo.	Liga ng mga Barangay President SK Pederasyon President

"On motion of SP Member Macatangay duly seconded, the following Resolution was Adopted:

### **RESOLUTION NO. 22-125 S. 2024**

A RESOLUTION DISMISSING SP ADMINISTRATIVE CASE NO. 22-003-2023 FILED BY MR. NOLI RAMIREZ AGAINST BARANGAY COUNCILOR CHRISTOPHER JOHN D. BALMES OF BARANGAY SAMPAGA, BATANGAS CITY

**RESOLVED**, to dismiss SP Administrative Case No. 22-003-2023 filed by Mr. Noli Ramirez against Barangay Councilor Christopher John D. Balmes of Barangay Sampaga, Batangas City, for Violation of Rule 10. A (3) Grave Misconduct, and, B (3) Disgraceful and Immoral Conduct, of the Revised Rules on Administrative Case in Civil Service (RRACS).

### UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED."

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 22-125 S. 2024 was approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City during its Regular Session held on March 12, 2024.

GERARDO M. DIMAANO
Board Secretary III

ATTESTED:

ATTY. ALYSSA RENEE A. CRUZ

Presiding Officer

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# Republic of the Philippines BATANGAS CITY



# Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod

Tel. No. 722-0304

# COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE

March 12, 2024

FROM

: THE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS AND GOOD GOVERNMENT

TO

: THE HONORABLE PRESIDING OFFICER AND MEMBERS OF

SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD, BATANGAS CITY

SUBJECT

: SP ADMINISTRATIVE CASE # 22-003-2023

FOR: VIOLATION OF RULE 10. A (3) GRAVE MISCONDUCT, B (3) DISGRACEFUL AND IMMORAL CONDUCT OF REVISED RULES ON

ADMINISTRATIVE CASE IN CIVIL SERVICE (RRACS)

MR. NOLI C. RAMIREZ

Talumpok Kanluran, Batangas City - VERSUS -

Complainant

CHRISTOPHER JOHN D. BALMES

Barangay Kagawad

Sampaga, Batangas City

Respondent

On July 13, 2023. Noli C. Ramirez filed a letter complaining against Barangay Kagawad Christopher John D. Balmes alleged afore-captioned Administrative Case. The letter was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Good Government on July 18, 2023 for appropriate action. The Committee was urgently sent letter requiring the respondent to submit his verified answer before the Committee could commence the formal investigation to this case.

And since the complaint was reached the 2023 Barangay Election which the law prohibits the Sangguniang Panlungsod to conduct Administrative Cases pursuant to R.A. 7160 Section 62 (c) of Local Government Code. It states that:

"(c) However, <u>no investigation shall be held within ninety (90) days</u> immediately prior to any local election, and no preventive suspension shall be imposed within the said period. If preventive suspension has been imposed prior to the 90-day period immediately preceding local election, it shall be deemed automatically lifted upon the start of aforesaid period."

On February 28, 2024, the Committee was sent and delivered a letter to the Complainant, Noli C. Ramirez stating and asking if he wants to pursue the above-mentioned complaint against respondent Barangay Kagawad Christopher John D. Balmes. Witnesses whereof are Barangay Officials of Barangay Talumpok Kanluran, Batangas City headed by Barangay Captain Isagani M. Lontoc. At this time, complainant Noli C. Ramirez requested to be given a one (1) week grace period for his final decision.

The respondent Barangay Kagawad Christopher John D. Balmes submitted his verified answer on July 28, 2023 hence, the Committee was sent a copy to all Sangguniang Panlungsod Members on August 02, 2023 for further studies.

However, on March 11, 2024, complainant Noli C. Ramirez submitted a letter to the committee informing the Sangguniang Panlungsod that he is no longer interested to pursue the afore-mentioned case. Attached herewith is the copy of Letter of Desistance.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

In view thereof, the Committee hereby recommends the following:

- 1. Declare the SP Administrative Case No. 22-003-2023 be **DROPPED** and **TERMINATED**
- 2. The adoption of this Committee Report.

Respectfully submitted. March 12, 2024.

**COMMITTEE ON ETHICS AND GOOD GOVERNMENT** 

HON. OLIVER Z. MACATANGAY

Chairman

HON. MICHAEL C. VILLENA

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Member

HON. NESTOR E. DIMACUHA

Member

JOSE JONASH LUIS T. TOLENTINO

Member

HON. ZESTER CARLO M. HERNANDEZ

Member

## **LETTER OF DESISTANCE**

I, **NOLI CATAPANG RAMIREZ**, in legal age and residing at Barangay Talumpok Kanluran, Batangas City, do hereby state that:

- 1. I am the complainant in an Administrative Case against Barangay Kagawad Christopher John D. Balmes of Barangay Sampaga filed on July 13, 2023 to the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City, Philippines;
- 2. As I consider the length of time, I realize that I am no longer interested in accordance with the said case that I filed against Kagawad Christopher John D. Balmes of Barangay Sampaga, so that I can pay more attention to my priorities in life such as my work and time with my family.
- 3. I am voluntary and free from any form of coercion, compulsion and never forced of intimidated in signing this letter of desistance and further prays for the dismissal of the above-mentioned case;
- 4. The foregoing statements have been fully read and translated to me in Filipino, a language which I understand, that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

IN	WITNESS WHEREOF, I have 2024 at	hereunto signed on this da Batangas City.	ay of
		NOLI C. RAMIREZ  Complainant ID: <u>poi -K - cocqui</u> <u>prevente ucence</u> Date:	
	Strub GLORIA S. ACUB Barangay Kagawad	Witnesses:  SAGAN M. LONTOC  Punong Barongay	