

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 NOVEMBER 25, 2013 AT THE SANGGUNIAN SESSION HALL

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Emilio Francisco A. Berberabe Jr.,	Presiding Officer
Hon. Glenn M. Aidover,	Councilor
Hon. Ma. Claudette U. Ambida,	"
Hon. Hamilton G. Blanco,	"
Hon. Aileen Grace A. Montalbo,	"
Hon. Sergio Rex M. Atienza,	"
Hon. Armando C. Lazarte,	"
Hon. Alyssa Renee A. Cruz,	"
Hon. Gerardo A. dela Roca,	"
Hon. Ma. Kristine Josefina G. Balmes,	"
Hon. Julian B. Villena,	"
Hon. Prudencio A. Cepillo,	(ABC-Rep.)
Hon. Richard I. Cabatay,	(SK-Rep.)

**ABSENT:**

None

"On motion of Councilor Montalbo seconded by Councilor Ambida, the following Resolution was Adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO. 231 S. 2013**

**A RESOLUTION FOR THE BIG 3 OIL COMPANIES (SHELL, PETRON,  
CALTEX) TO REVIEW MARKET FORCES OF BATANGAS CITY**

**WHEREAS**, Batangueños are not satisfied to the price of gasoline products;

**WHEREAS**, there is an existing regional disparity in pump prices all over the Philippines.

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlungsod believes that the Big 3 Oil Companies can further consider mark down on gasoline prices or launch promotional marketing that will give rebates or cash discounts to their loyal patronizers.

**WHEREAS**, citizens of Batangas City are dismayed by the restoration of old taxes on crude, petrol and diesel in the budget and the consequent increase in prices;

**WHEREAS**, Batangas City is one of the areas affected by said disparity in pump prices compared to adjacent municipalities and cities in the province;

**WHEREAS**, it has been evident that the small players in the City of Batangas have been posting lower prices of gasoline compared to big players, such as Octane, Fil Oil and Phoenix Gas Stations.

Continuation of Resolution No. 231 S. 2013

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**WHEREAS**, the country imports about 90 percent of its fuel requirements. As such, oil firms operating in the Philippines tend to track each other's price movements.

**WHEREAS**, Batangas City is host to one of the two existing oil refineries in the country.

**WHEREAS**, the consideration that the Big 3 Oil Companies can give, will ease burden to the increasing demands in Batangueños everyday living.

**WHEREAS**, Batangas City has welcomed and hosted the Malampaya Project and has been in a harmonious relationship with both Shell Philippines Exploration B.V. (SPEX) and Chevron Malampaya LCC;

**WHEREAS**, citizens of Batangas City have remained loyal to the Big 3 Oil Companies despite the presence of independent players;

**WHEREAS**, there is a large difference in pump prices in various areas as a result of the continued domination of the Big 3 Oil Companies;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod in session assembled, to ask as it is hereby asked the Big 3 Oil Companies (SHELL, PETRON, CALTEX) to review market forces of Batangas City to lower the price of gasoline products.

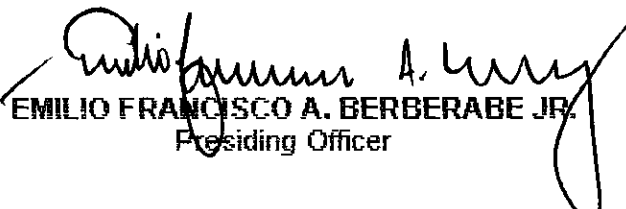
**UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED."**

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I hereby certify to the correctness of the copy of the foregoing Resolution.

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

**ATTESTED:**

  
**EMILIO FRANCISCO A. BERBERABE JR.**  
Presiding Officer

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