



Regular Monthly Meeting  
10 a.m. Wednesday, August 1, 2018  
Mayors' Council Conference Room  
Hagåtña, Guam

## MINUTES

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** *Acting President*, Mayor Jesse Alig called the meeting to order at 11:17 a.m.

II. **ROLL CALL:**

ALIG, Jesse L.G.	Mayor	Piti
ALVAREZ, Dale E.	Mayor	Santa Rita
BAUTISTA, Jessie P.	Vice Mayor	Barrigada
BENAVENTE, Frank A.	Vice Mayor	Dededo
BLAS, Jesse M.	Mayor	Yona
BLAS, June U.	Mayor	Barrigada
DUENAS, Thomas J.	Vice Mayor	Mangilao
GOGUE, Jessy C.	Mayor	Chalan Pago-Ordot
HOFMANN, Robert RDC	Mayor	Sinajana
MATANANE, Rudy M.	Mayor	Yigo
PACO, Rudy A.	Mayor	Mongmong-Toto-Maite
QUINATA, Johnny A.	Mayor	Umatac
RIVERA, Louise C.	Mayor	Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon
SALAS, Frankie A.	Mayor	Asan-Maina
SUSUICO, Kevin T.	Mayor	Agat
TAITAGUE, Vicente S.	Mayor	Talofofo
<input type="radio"/> CHARGUALAF, Ernest T.	Mayor	Merizo
<input type="radio"/> CRUZ, John A.	Mayor	Hagåtña
<input type="radio"/> FEJERAN, Christopher J.	Vice Mayor	Agat
<input type="radio"/> IRIARTE, Rudy D.	Vice Mayor	Sinajana
<input type="radio"/> LUJAN, Doris F.	Mayor	Inarajan
<input type="radio"/> McDONALD, Paul M.	Mayor	Agana Heights
<input type="radio"/> SANCHEZ, Anthony P.	Vice Mayor	Yigo
<input type="radio"/> SANTOS, Kenneth C.	Vice Mayor	Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon
<input type="radio"/> SAVARES, Melissa B.	Mayor	Dededo
<input type="radio"/> UNGACTA, Allan "Al" R.G.	Mayor	Mangilao

**O = ABSENT      \* = LATE      \*\* = OFF ISLAND      R = REPRESENTATIVE**

**Seventeen (16) members present at time of roll call. A quorum was established.**

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:**

Angel R. Sablan  
Elaine RA Schaaf

Executive Director  
Recording Secretary

**III. RECITATION OF *INIFRESI***

**IV. SECRETARY'S REPORT** - Minutes of June 6, 2018 – **Mayor Vicente Taitague made the motion to approve the *Report* and seconded by Mayor Louise Rivera. No further discussions or objections and the motion carried.**

**V. TREASURER'S REPORT** – **Mayor Jesse Blas made the motion to approve the May and June *Report* and seconded by Mayor Dale Alvarez.** In discussion, Mayor Jessy Gogue queried on any update with the GMS allotment. ED responded that Council had been checking every day with DOA and they have yet to respond. Mayor said he can't overemphasize the need to get the money out to pay these vendors. *Treasurer* expressed that he would do a follow up as well. ED said Council is looking to receive over \$100K and added that this is the allotment from last fiscal year and Council had not receive any allotments for this fiscal year. **No further discussions or objections and the motion passed.**

**VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

**1. Audience Request for MCOG Special Monthly Meeting August 15, 2018**

- a. Sandra Seau, District Executive, Boy Scouts of America  
Charter Packs/Troops in the Villages
- b. TSgt. Bryan Magee, USAF, NCOIC Community Relations  
Sister Village Sister Squadron Program social
- c. Troy C. Aguon, Executive Director/Publisher, The Learn Chamorro Project, Inc.  
Get Fit Program

**Mayor Jessy Gogue made the motion to approve the request in the order of *b, a,* and *c* and seconded by Mayor Vicente Taitague.**

**Mayor Robert Hofmann amended the motion to send a request to Docomo to talk about their schedule for maintenance of their pedestals and lines as the 4th guest speaker and Mayor Jessy Gogue seconded the amended motion.** In discussion, Mayor Jesse Alig suggested to invite Office of Civil Defense. **The motion as amended was then put and carried in the affirmative.**

**The Body was in favor of Mayor Gogue's original motion to include Docomo. None opposed.**

**2. Communications**

a. **PEGGY DENNEY – DISTRIBUTION OF WIRE MESH BINS** – Included in today's packet was an e-mail from Ms. Denney. ED expressed that the bins were available and to contact her directly.

b. **GEDA – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FORUM; MAYORS AND MPC MEMBERS AUGUST 27 AT HILTON HOTEL** – ED stated a 2 p.m. meeting today at the Council with several GEDA representatives to talk about the upcoming forum.

c. **ENUMERATION OF MIGRANTS (COFA) SURVEY & ADDRESS LISTING WORK** - Included in today's packet was an e-mail from Mr. Peter Barcinas. ED stated that there is a COFA team on island going around validating the survey that was done and wanted to inform the mayors that they will be out there. Mayor Jessy Gogue

requested for a listing of the team that would conduct the survey around the villages to help identify themselves to the mayors' as an Enumerator.

d. **TSUNAMI EVACUATION MAPS & BROCHURES** – ED announced Guam Homeland would be delivering these materials to all municipalities in the forthcoming week. These materials are for public distribution.

e. **GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION POLLING SITE** – Director Maria Pangelinan requested if mayors could do a drive-thru in the evening to check if additional lights are needed in the parking lot and to communicate with her directly.

## VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. **MCOG 2018 CHRISTMAS PARTY UPDATE - CHARIMAN, MAYOR JESSE ALIG**  
Mayor Alig reported the first committee meeting was held July 25 at Council's conference room. Included with today's meeting packet were a list of item points discussed. The party would be December 1 at Leo Palace because it was the best rate. Mayor Alig thanked the Body for sending their representatives. The next committee meeting is Wednesday, August 8. Most of the representatives were given tasks and would report back at the August 8 meeting.

b. **LIBERATION PARADE** – ED thanked mayors that put in village floats, congratulated the winners, Agat, Santa Rita, Barrigada, and Tamuning and to those mayors who didn't have floats but came and helped. ED also thanked Mayor Robert Hofmann for putting the script together, Mayor Jessie Gogue, Vice Mayor Frank Benavente, and Mayor Frankie Salas for parade control.

Mayor Hofmann said the judging criteria is fine, play your music but when you get to the grandstand it should stop so the script could be read but they blast their music why bother reading the script when no one could hear. Mayor gave suggestion for next year to create a simple format with no more than 500 words for all entries to apply online.

Mayor Jesse Alig asked Mayor Robert Hofmann if he could be at next year's briefing to explain to all the representatives what would happen when entries reach the grand stand and they would know the judging would be at a specific place and time. Mayor Alig gave comment that the entire parade went smoothly. Mayor Jessie Gogue recommended addressing the logistical concerns with the judging early on next year. Mayor Hofmann said the Council needs to agree when would be a good time to judge as a group; before at a specific time; at the gate. Mayor Hofmann said he would co-chair the parade next year.

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS –

1. **MCOG FY2019 BUDGET** – ED stated that all agencies budgets had been reduced by 23% and he wanted the Body to be aware that all the programs, PSSEP, Street Maintenance, Island wide Beautification, and GMS, that they would not get the same amount they had been getting. Council had been submitting District quarterly reports to the Legislature and if they see these balances this late in the game at the 3rd quarter and still have balances left for one more quarter, they might just take those balances and reduce even further and there are some Districts that are not just using their money in all accounts. ED said there are only two more weeks to use them because *requisitions* close August 10 with DOA and GSA; Council doesn't make these deadlines. The money in Limited Gaming

Fund, some Districts haven't used a penny of it; some are saving it for bigger projects; some added on the money from previous fiscal years. The concern by Senator Tommy Morrison is that if they see it's not being used they're either going to give it to Dept. of Parks & Recreation or Dept. of Education. Either you use it or lose it. The only fund that the Legislature didn't reduce in this fiscal year is the *Host Community*. Everything else had been chopped.

Mayor Jessy Gogue said he'd been setting aside the LGF money just for the baseball field lighting system which would cost over \$45K. There are certain agencies that have the lead responsibilities in working with mayors' offices to put out an RFP because it's not something that could be handled at the mayors' level. Mayor said he doesn't want to piece-meal one pole at a time. There are limitations mayors' have with moving forward with these large projects because it requires the expertise of certain departments in working with mayors' offices to get it done. ED said he would check on this.

Mayor Robert Hofmann said he hoped the Legislature understands the difficulty mayors have getting a contractor that requires four positive responses and these are things not in the mayors' control unless they lift other restrictions where mayors could buy other things with the money. Mayor asked *acting President* if Council could explain in a letter to the Legislature why there are balances in the LGF because of issues mayors are having.

ED express that he would send a letter out to Senator Morrison because he was the one that brought this up at the public hearing.

ED stated that starting October 1, 2018 if the Bill stays the way it is, if you lose somebody, terminate somebody, or somebody resigns, you will not be able to hire; it would remain frozen and you'd be stuck for the rest of the fiscal year because you will not be able to fill those positions. Unless the Council argues that we need to continue to fill these positions.

ED stated that hopefully when the Legislature comes to Chapter 8, they won't further reduce what they've already reduced by 23%. The Bill had no provision of a carry-over for lapses.

**2. KO'KU RECYCLING BILL NO. 228-34** - ED conveyed that the Government of Guam owes Mr. Benny Bello millions of dollars for cleaning up the island many years ago and that former senator Rory Respicio had asked if Council could support the bill. Mayor Robert Hofmann said it's to support the bill that Mr. Bello should be paid for the work that he did perform. **Mayor Rudy Matanane made the motion for a Council resolution to support Bill No. 228-34 and seconded by Mayor Robert Hofmann. No further discussions or objections and the motion passed.**

## IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS** – No reports.
2. **MCOG STANDING COMMITTEES** –

**UTILITIES** – Representative, Mayor Jessy Gogue reported a meeting held for mayors and vice mayors Friday, July 27 regarding GWA Water Resource Master Plan. For those mayors present, he had passed out a survey of their top three preference how best they would like GPA/GWA to communicate with them on emergency outages. Those mayors and vice mayors who were not present, the survey was placed in their box at the Council.

With GPA, Mayor expressed that come September, John Benavente had mentioned they're going to start working on their proposed pilot project with the mayors to clean vegetation around utility poles. Mayor Gogue said he would schedule a mayors meeting with GPA sometime in September to solidify the procedure and give a formal presentation.

Also discussed at this meeting, Mayor Robert Hofmann said they have started to include the grid number and circuit number on announcements; so when there's an issue on an outage or repair, that would be what you report. They are going to add this to a customer's billing. With this last tropical storm, Mayor Hofmann said they've realized and agreed that as long as Council's RAC is active, their RAC would be active.

**GUAM EDUCATION POLICY BOARD** - Representative, Mayor Rudy Matanane reported that they are asking the mayors to make sure the grass is cut before the opening of the new school year and to work with the school's administrator for any help. If there are any concerns the mayors may have to communicate with him directly via e-mail so he could report on it.

**X. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Last respects for Mayor Paul McDonald's brother, John McDonald will be held from Tuesday, Aug. 7 at Our Lady of Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Agana Heights.
- Today's luncheon hosted by **Yona Mayor's Office**.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Vicente Taitague moved to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Rudy Matanane. The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Mayors' Council of Guam was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Attested by:

Transcribed by:

  
**MAYOR JESSE L.G. ALIG**  
Council Treasurer and Presiding Chairman  
16<sup>th</sup> Mayors' Council of Guam

  
**ELAINE RA SCHAAF**  
Transcriber  
MCOG – Administration



# ATTENDANCE SHEET

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Date: Wednesday, August 1, 2018 Time: 10:00 a.m.

Type of Meeting:  Regular [ ] Special

CTO 11:17am  
A 11:45am

PLACE OF MEETING: **MCOG Conference Room**

MAYORS / VICE MAYORS	DISTRICT	CONTACT NOS.	SIGNATURE
ALIG, Jesse L.G.	Piti	472-1232/3	
✓ ALVAREZ, Dale E.	Santa Rita	565-2514/4337	
BAUTISTA, Jessie P.	Barrigada	734-3859/25/34/36	
BENAVENTE, Frank A.	Dededo	632-5203/5019-637-9014	
BLAS, Jesse M.	Yona	789-4798/0012/1525/6	
BLAS, June U.	Barrigada	734-3859/25/34/36	
CHARGUALAF, Ernest T.	Merizo	828-8312/2941	
CRUZ, John A.	Hagatna	477-8045/47	
✓ DUENAS, Thomas J.	Mangilao	734-2163/5731	
FEJERAN, Christopher J.	Agat	565-4335/2531/2524	
GOGUE, Jessy C.	Chalan Pago-Ordot	472-8302/477-1333	
HOFMANN, Robert RDC	Sinajana	472-6707/477-3323	
IRIARTE, Rudy D.	Sinajana	472-6707/477-3323	
LUJAN, Doris F.	Inarajan	475-2509-11	
✓ MATANANE, Rudy M.	Yigo	653-9446/5248	
MCDONALD, Paul M.	Agana Hts.	472-6393/8285/6	
PACO, Rudy A.	Mongmong-Toto-Maite	477-6758/9090	
QUINATA, Johnny A.	Umatac	828-2940/8258	
RIVERA, Louise C.	Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon	646-5211/8646	
SALAS, Frankie A.	Asan-Maina	472-6581/479-2726	
SANCHEZ, Anthony P.	Yigo	653-9446/5248	
SANTOS, Kenneth C.	Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon	646-5211/8646	
SAVARES, Melissa B.	Dededo	632-5203/5019/637-9014	
SUSUICO, Kevin JT	Agat	565-4335/2531/2524	
TAITAGUE, Vicente S.	Talofofo	789-1421/3262/4821	
UNGACTA, Allan R.G.	Mangilao	734-2163/5731	
SABLAN, Angel R.	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR		
OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES	DISTRICT	SIGNATURE	
GUESTS	AGENCY/ORGANIZATION	CONTACT NO.	
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