



Regular Monthly Meeting
10 a.m. Thursday, November 7, 2024
Mayors' Council Conference Room
Hagåtña, Guam

MINUTES

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** *President* Mayor Jesse L.G. Alig called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m.

II. **ROLL CALL AND RECITATION OF *INIFRESI*:**

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| | ALIG, Jesse L.G. | Mayor | Piti |
| | ALVAREZ, Dale E. | Mayor | Santa Rita-Sumai |
| O | BAUTISTA, Jessie P. | Vice Mayor | Barrigada |
| V | BENAVENTE, Peter John S. | Vice Mayor | Dededo |
| V | BLAS, June U. | Mayor | Barrigada |
| | CHARGUALAF, Anthony P. | Mayor | Inaláhan |
| O | CHARGUALAF, Ernest T. | Mayor | Malesso' |
| * | CRUZ, John A. | Mayor | Hagåtña |
| O | DELGADO, Kevin AN | Vice Mayor | Mangilao |
| | FEJERAN, Christopher J. | Vice Mayor | Hágat |
| * | GOGUE, Jessy C. | Mayor | Chalan Pago-Ordot |
| V | HOFMANN, Robert RDC | Mayor | Sinajana |
| O | LEONES, Loreto V. | Vice Mayor | Yigo |
| R | McDONALD, Paul M. | Mayor | Agana Heights |
| | PACO, Rudy A. | Mayor | M-T-M |
| V | QUENGA, Bill A. | Mayor | Yona |
| | QUINATA, Johnny A. | Mayor | Humátak |
| | RIVERA, Louise C. | Mayor | Tamuning |
| | SALAS, Frankie | Mayor | Asan-Maina |
| O | SANCHEZ, Anthony P. | Mayor | Yigo |
| V | SAVARES, Melissa B. | Mayor | Dededo |
| | SUSUICO, Kevin J.T. | Mayor | Hágat |
| | TAITAGUE, Vicente S. | Mayor | Talo'fo'fo' |
| | TOVES, Albert M. | Vice Mayor | Tamuning |
| * | UNGACTA, Allan R.G. | Mayor | Mangilao |

O = ABSENT * = LATE ** = OFF ISLAND R = REPRESENTATIVE V = VIRTUAL

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

III. NATIONAL ANTHEM / GUAM HYMN

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| IV. 001-25 | GUEST SPEAKERS – Fred Alig / Jill Espiritu – GFA Board Member / Marketing Head Communications – Guam Football Association (Futsal Committee) |
| V. 002-25 | APPROVAL OF OCTOBER MINUTES – A motion made by Mayor Ungacta. Seconded by Vice Mayor Quinata. Motion carries. |
| VI. 003-25 | APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT – A motion made by Mayor Taitague and seconded by Vice Mayor Toves. Motion carries. |
| VII. 004-25 | EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Joy Jean Arceo |
| A. | The Executive Director announced that the week of the procurement training the central office received 15 work requests and procurement planning having the central office successfully process 25-purchase orders. |
| B. | The Executive Director announced that the Mayors’ Council received its Procurement Delegation from General Services Agency (GSA) that will allow the Mayors’ Council to facilitate any procurement over \$15,000. |
| C. | The Executive Director is still doing courtesy visits to the Mayoral Offices. Mayors have expressed their concerns regarding the procurement process, which she was able to explain. |
| D. | The Executive Director has been discussing with Department of Administration the fuel program. |
| E. | The Executive Director also addressed the Senior Program such as the maintenance of the buildings, the operations, amongst other topics. |
| F. | The Executive Director attended the Guam Environmental Protection Agency board meeting on October 24, 2024, which they approved Mayors’ Council the Recycling Revolving Fund of 1.5 million and the lapses for FY 2024. The central office is working on consolidating the FY 2023 and 2024, which the deadline will be at the end of November to provide necessary information. |
| G. | The Executive Director announced the Orientation for the new Mayors / Vice Mayors-Elect will be on November 8, 2024 at 10AM in the MCOG Conference room. |
| VIII. 005-25 | COMMITTEE REPORTS |
| A. | Boards and Commissions – President made an announcement regarding the lawn maintenance of GDOE schools and requested that the GDOE Representative, Mayor Savares to inform the GDOE Board that Mayors are not responsible for the upkeep of their facilities. Mayor Savares voiced her concerns about the scope of work and if there is a contract in place, to utilize the vendors. |
| 1. (a) | President, Mayor Alig addressed Guam Visitors Bureau (GVB) and Guam Economic Development Authority (GEDA) and how they can be beneficial to |

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| | villages ex: The Child Development Grants and the Villages Qualifying Certificate (QC) |
| 2. (b) | Grants have made a positive impact to the 19 villages. President recognized Mayor Hoffman as the Representative at Guam Visitors Bureau (GVB) to speak on the matter. |
| 3. (c) | The President and Vice President both agreed that the Guam Visitors Bureau (GVB) should be responsible for the upkeep of the tourist attractions and maintenance of grass cutting on the roads to help promote value for our island. |
| 4. (d) | The Vice President encourages the Mayors to do what is best for their own villages in correspondence to the tourism industry and the economy and take in their respective villages. |
| 5. (e) | Vice Mayor, Christopher Fejeran highlights that Guam Visitors Bureau (GVB) should invest in the villages and not just Tumon as the only tourist attraction. |
| 6. (f) | Mayor, Johnny Quinata states that the light fixtures need to be fixed in the parks to alleviate illegal dumping in the areas that tourists often frequent. |
| 7. (g) | Vice President acknowledges resource management, homelessness and product development. Vice President talks about the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Request and the formula of the community impact fee. |
| 8. (h) | Secretary, Mayor Louise Rivera spoke on the issues of crime, stray animals and how to remedy that problem. |
| 9. (i) | Vice President acknowledges the concerns brought up by Mayor Johnny Quinata and agrees that the government should do more to help. Vice President encourages Mayors to assess and note what parks, historical sites and the challenges they face in their respective areas that would help formulate future development. |
| 10. (j) | President addresses Public Law 37-60 and the importance. President noted that he has taken action by submitting photos of the abandoned vehicles on public easement to the Director/Deputy Director of Public Works and cited Public Law 37-60 and Department of Public Works (DPW) then disposed of vehicles. |
| B. | Standing Committees – President mentions funeral escorts and if the body would like to address. |
| 1. (a) | Secretary, Mayor Rivera voices the issue with funeral escorts and the safety issues it entails. |
| 2. (b) | President made a recommendation that they create a law that the mayors are not allowed to do funeral escorts. |
| 3. (c) | Mayor Vicente Taitague moves to table the discussion until the new mayors come in and then they can introduce a law. |
| 4. (d) | Mayor Allan R.G. Ungacta voices his concerns and mentions that he believes it should be up to the districts and their individual discretion. |
| 5. (e) | The President requested that the Secretary take roll call to vote on the motion to entertain the funeral escorts. 13 in favor. 4 not in favor. 1 abstain. Motion passes. |

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| 6. (f) | President appoints Secretary, Mayor Louise Rivera as the Chair of the Committee on funeral escorts and for Madam Chair to complete report by the December Regular Meeting. |
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| IX. 006-25 | UNFINISHED BUSINESS |
| A. | User's Fee Schedule – Tabled until the next term. |
| B. | FY 2025 Budget – The President announced that Public Law 37-135 has been signed into law and appropriated 4.5 million dollars to the Mayors' Council. |
| 1. (a) | President reported that of the 4.5 million dollars, 3.6 million would go towards operations for the Mayors' Council under salaries and rental. President moves for approval of the remaining balance of \$900,000.00 to disperse the amount equally amongst the 19 villages. |
| 2. (b) | Mayor Anthony P. Chargualaf makes the motion to equally disperse the amount of 900,000.00. Mayor Allan R.G. Ungacta second the motion. Motion passes unanimously. |
| 3. (c) | Discussion – President announces lapses will not be available but the new budget that was signed into law could be utilized. |

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| X. 007-25 | NEW BUSINESS |
| A. | Association of Mariana Islands' Mayors (AMIM) General Assembly Update – Mayor Melissa Savares announces that an email was sent from the President calling session on the 15 th and 16 th at the Hagat Mayors Office in the room next to community center beginning at 9:00. |
| 1. (a) | Mayor Kevin Susuico announced there would be an election for a new President upcoming for the Association of Mariana Islands' Mayors (AMIM). |
| B. | FY 2026 Budget Preparation – President encourages outgoing mayors to continue to work with the UOG Capstone Project and the students to give the information needed for the budget submission. |
| 1. (a) | FY 2025 Budget – President addresses the Limited Gaming Fund (LGF) amendment to add the administrative costs and to look into the Recycling Revolving Fund urgent concern. Vice President, Mayor Robert Hoffman agreed to Chair the Limited Gaming Fund (LGF) amendment. |
| C. | Christmas Activity – Mayor Melissa Savares mentioned to turn in the money for their guests. |

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| XI. 008-25 | ANNOUNCEMENTS – President announces that the Guam Economic Development Authority (GEDA) community grant series 7 is \$25,000.00 and the application is simple. President also mentions that everyone who submitted an application for the generators, the hazard mitigation meeting is set for Tuesday November 2, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. President states that the last quarterly meeting with the Governor will be November 21, 2024 at 7:30 a.m. President seeks approval to pay for the breakfast for the meeting. Mayor Robert Hoffman made the motion. Mayor Allan Ungacta second the motion. Motion carries unanimously. |
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| 1.(a) | Mayor Frankie Salas announces that on Monday, November 11, 2024 is the ceremony for Veteran's and asks his colleges to support the Veterans. |
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| XII. 009-25 | ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 12:19 p.m. |
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Attested by:



MAYOR LOUISE C. RIVERA
Council Executive Secretary
17th Mayors' Council of Guam

Transcribed by:



Rica Garrido
Administrative Assistant
MCOG – Administration

MAYORS' COUNCIL OF GUAM

From: Mayor Louise C. Rivera <mayorlrivera.tatuha@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 7, 2024 10:23 AM
To: Mayors' Council of Guam - Admin.
Subject: Fwd:

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From: BMO Admin <barrigadaoffice@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Nov 7, 2024, 7:50 AM
Subject:
To: Mayor Louise C. Rivera <mayorlrivera.tatuha@gmail.com>

Hafa Adai

Sorry for the later notice, but Mayor June Blas will be attending the MCOG Meeting via zoom today. Thank you and have a wonderful day.

Very Respectfully,
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From: Mayor Louise C. Rivera <mayorlcrivera.tatuha@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 7, 2024 10:24 AM
To: Mayors' Council of Guam - Admin.
Subject: Fwd: REQUEST TO ATTEND MCOG REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ATTEND VIA ZOOM

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From: Mayor Paul M. McDonald <mayor.mcdonald671@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Nov 7, 2024, 9:11 AM
Subject: REQUEST TO ATTEND MCOG REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING ATTEND VIA ZOOM
To: MCOG Vice President Mayor Louise C. Rivera <mayorlcrivera.tatuha@gmail.com>
Cc: AHMO - Genny Ceraos <gceraosreyes@gmail.com>, angelica jamanila-gumataotao <angjamanila@yahoo.com>

Hafa Adai Mayor Rivera,

This is to inform you that my Administrative Assistant Genny Ceraos will attend the MCOG Regular Monthly Meeting via Zoom on my behalf this morning.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact our office.

Thank you,

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MAYOR PAUL M. MCDONALD

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From: Jessy Gogue <ocp.mayor@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 7, 2024 10:32 AM
To: Mayor Louise C. Rivera
Cc: Mayors' Council of Guam - Admin.
Subject: Fwd: SECOND NOTICE of MCOG Regular Monthly Mtg - Thursday, November 7 at 10 a.m.
Attachments: image001.gif; DRAFT October Minutes.pdf; TR RF.pdf; TR GIF.pdf; MTG Agenda.pdf

Hafa Adai Mayor Rivera,

I will attend this meeting via Zoom. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Mayor Gogue

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From: MAYORS' COUNCIL OF GUAM <mcogadmin@teleguam.net>
Date: Tue, Nov 5, 2024 at 8:07 AM
Subject: SECOND NOTICE of MCOG Regular Monthly Mtg - Thursday, November 7 at 10 a.m.
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Best Regards,

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