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Republic of the Philippines
PALAWAN COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
(R.A. 7611)
Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

Excerpts from the Minutes of the 18th Council Meeting of the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development held at the Emerald Plaza, Puerto Princesa City on 24 September 1993.

Present:

Gov. Salvador P. Socrates	-	Chairman
Cong. David A. Ponce de Leon	-	Vice-Chairman
Exec. Dir. Arthur R. Ventura	-	Secretary
Cong. Alfredo A. Abueg, Jr.	-	Member
Kgd. Rodolfo C. Flordeliza	-	Member
Mr. Vic Milan	-	Member
Mayor Wenceslao de las Alas	-	Member
Vice-Gov. Joel T. Reyes	-	Member
Atty. Teodoro Q. Pena	-	Member
Rev. Fr. Armando R. Limsa	-	Member
Mayor Edward S. Hagedorn	-	Member
Edgar M. Sandalo representing Usec. Joemari Gerochi	-	Member
Capt. R.B. Reyes representing Rear Admiral Pio H. Garrido	-	Member
Dir. Alfredo S. Pascual representing Usec. Ricardo M. Umali	-	Member

Absent:

Deputy Dir.-Gen. Aniceto M. Sobrepena	-	Member
Usec. Ricardo M. Umali	-	Member
Rear Adm. Pio H. Garrido	-	Member
Usec. Joemari Gerochi	-	Member

PCSD RESOLUTION NO. 93-35

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE LAPUS-LAPUS AT EL NIDO ECO-RESORT DEVELOPMENT, A PROJECT OF BAYVIEW HOLDING AND REALTY CORPORATION, SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS EMBODIED HEREIN

WHEREAS, Bayview Holding and Realty Corporation submitted to the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD) on 25 May 1993 the proposal for the Lapus-lapus at El Nido Eco-Resort Development;

WHEREAS, a thorough evaluation of the project study and other supporting documents submitted to the PCSD, Department of Tourism and Department of Environment and Natural Resources was undertaken by the PCSD's Tourism Committee to determine whether the project conforms with the existing laws, rules and regulations governing developments of this nature;

WHEREAS, in a letter of 29 July 1993, Dir. Carlos J. Magno, Regional Technical Director of DENR-Region IV, requested for the council's comments prior to the issuance of Environmental Compliance Certificate for said project which revealed that the area to be developed is part of the Bacuit Cliff Forest Reserve specifically the caves which are the nesting place of "nido" birds and core zone of the El Nido Marine Reserve;

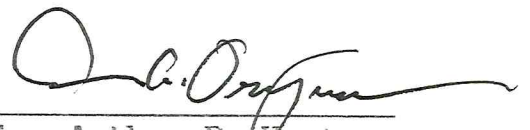
WHEREAS, Bat Island in Puerto Princesa City and Wedge Island in the municipality of San Vicente were initially identified by Mayor Edward S. Hagedorn and Mayor Antonio Alvarez, respectively, as needing protection and should be declared as marine sanctuaries and reserves;

NOW THEREFORE, in the exercise of its mandate and authority under Republic Act No. 7611 in conjunction with Republic Act No. 7586, this August Body hereby declares that:

1. The initial components of the NIPAS in the Province of Palawan shall be:
 - 1.1 Ursula Island
 - 1.2 Calauit Island
 - 1.3 Tubbataha Reefs
 - 1.4 Certain small, uninhabited and unmaned islands within the El Nido Sanctuary
2. Bat Island in Puerto Princesa City and Wedge Island in San Vicente qualify as protected areas as per the recommendation of the City/Municipal Mayors.
3. Within one (1) year from the adoption of this Resolution any other island, islet, reefs, atolls and shoals within the territorial jurisdiction of the province which will hereafter qualify as a protected area will be so declared by this Body upon due recommendation of their Municipal Mayor in coordination with the Community Environment and Natural Resources Officer (CENRO) of the municipality as affirmed by the Provincial Environment and Natural Resource Officer (PENRO).
4. In so far as the rest of the small islands in the Province of Palawan not included in the initial component of the NIPAS as mentioned above, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources is hereby enjoined to as soon as possible take such measure as may be appropriate under existing rules and guidelines as would lead to the issuance of the corresponding certificates of titles or stewardship contracts to the qualified occupants or claimants.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of September, 1993 in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan.

Certified True and Correct:



Exec. Dir. Arthur R. Ventura
Secretary

Approved:



GOV. SALVADOR P. SOCRATES
Chairman