



Excerpts from the Minutes of the 211th PCSD Executive Committee Meeting
Conference Room, Provincial Administrator's Office
Ground Floor, Provincial Capitol Building
Puerto Princesa City, Palawan
May 29, 2014

Present:

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| 1. Gov. Jose Ch. Alvarez, Provincial Governor | - | Chairman |
| 2. DDG. Margarita R. Songco, NEDA | - | Member |
| 3. Hon. Lucena D. Demaala, Pres., League of Mayors | - | Member |
| 4. Dir. Nelson P. Devanadera, Executive Director, PCSDS | - | Secretary |
| 5. Mr. Alexander N. Onghocgan, (PCCI) Business Sector | - | Member |
| 6. Rev. Fr. Eugene S. Elivera, NGO | - | Member |

Represented:

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| 7. Hon. Lucilo R. Bayron, City Mayor | - | Member |
| Represented by Ms. Tutu Almonte, City ENRO | | |
| 8. Asec. Edelberto M. de Luna, Department of Agriculture(DA) | - | Member |
| Represented by Ms. Lucille E. Odejar | | |
| 9. LtGen Roy O Deveraturda, Commander, WESCOM | - | Member |
| Represented by Capt Ryan F Maristaza JAGS | | |

Absent:

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| 10. Hji. Abraham Ibba, President, Liga ng mga Barangay | - | Member |
| 11. Vice-Gov. Victorino Dennis M. Socrates | - | Vice Chairman |
| 12. Hon. Manuel D. Gerochi, Usec, DENR | - | Member |

Resolution No. 14-501

“PROVIDING POLICY SUPPORT TO THE INITIATIVES IMPLEMENTED BY THE ZERO CARBON RESORTS PROJECT IN PALAWAN THROUGH THE INCLUSION IN THE SEP CLEARANCE SYSTEM THE REQUIREMENT TO REDUCE CARBON EMISSION IN HOTELS AND RESORTS AND OTHER TOURISM RELATED ESTABLISHMENTS IN PALAWAN, TO ADOPT ZERO CARBON MEASURES AND TECHNOLOGIES AND FURTHER DEVELOP A BUILDING STANDARD FOR PALAWAN BASED ON ZERO CARBON PRINCIPLES AND INITIATIVES.”

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7611, otherwise known as the Strategic Environmental Plan (SEP) for Palawan Act, provides that the SEP shall serve as the framework to guide the
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government agencies concerned in the formulation of plans, programs and projects affecting the environment and natural resources of Palawan;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the said law provides that the governance, implementation and policy direction of the SEP shall be exercised by the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD);

WHEREAS, Palawan has grown to be a major tourist destination in the Philippines because of its unique environment and the rich biodiversity that exist across the province and provide economic benefits and stability to the province;

WHEREAS, the tourism industry also accounts for a large chunk of the energy resource consumption and waste generation, it is in fact one of the industries heavily dependent on fossil fuel;

WHEREAS, in order to sustain the benefits of the tourism industry there is a need to consciously monitor the carbon footprint and other physical and biological imprint of this industry on the fine fabrics of the environment of the province;

WHEREAS, the European Union through the facility of Switch Asia Network, funded the Zero Carbon Resorts Project (ZCRP) of which PCSD is also an implementing partner;

WHEREAS, the ZCR aims to enable SMEs in the tourism industry to provide their services in an energy efficient, cost effective and sustainable way by making use of locally available CO2 neutral resources and green technologies, which aims are directly related to the sustainability objective of the SEP law;

WHEREAS, Palawan was chosen to be the pilot implementation site of the project because of the presence of the unique legislation, the SEP for Palawan Act, that can provide policy support for the sustainability of the ZCRP initiatives;

WHEREAS, in March 2011, the ZCRP initiatives were introduced in the terms and conditions of the SEP Clearance System, requiring proponents of tourism related establishments to register with the project for access to green measures and technologies and to monitor energy and water consumption and waste generation, as a test case;

WHEREAS, the compliance of the establishments was initially monitored and have produced positive impact;

WHEREFORE, upon motion, duly seconded, be it resolved as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to provide policy support to the initiatives implemented by the Zero Carbon Resorts Project in Palawan through the inclusion in the SEP Clearance System the requirements to reduce carbon emission in hotels, resorts and other tourism related establishments in Palawan;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the PCSD adopts zero carbon measures and technologies and further develop a building standard for Palawan based on zero carbon principles and initiatives;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that copy of this resolution be furnished the Manila Operation of the European Union, Gruppe Angepaste Technologie (GrAT) and other partners of the Zero Carbon Resorts Project, the Provincial Government of Palawan, the City Government of Puerto Princesa and the Palawan Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 29th day of May 2014.

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I hereby certify the above-quoted resolution has been duly adopted by the PCSD on May 29, 2014 at Puerto Princesa City.


NELSON P. DEVANADERA
Secretary

ATTESTED BY:


HON. JOSE CH. ALVAREZ
Chairman