

**SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
GENERAL SANTOS CITY**

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-116

Submitted by the **COMMITTEES ON TOURISM, CULTURE AND THE ARTS; & LAWS, RULES, REVIEW OF BARANGAY ORDINANCES & EXECUTIVE ORDERS**

Date of Hearing: March 20, 2017

Re: SPPR NO. 1718-0090

RECOMMENDING APPROVAL FOR ITEM NO.1

Author: Hon. Elizabeth B. Bagonoc

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The abovementioned committees to which were referred the following:

TITLE	RECOMMENDATION
SPPO NO. 1718-0090: AN ORDINANCE DECLARING SEPTEMBER 5 OF EVERY YEAR AS THE INAUGURATION DAY OF THE CITY OF GENERAL SANTOS. (<i>Hon. Elizabeth B. Bagonoc – Author/Sponsor</i>)	<u>APPROVED ON COMMITTEE LEVEL</u>

have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the August Body with the foregoing recommendation.

Respectfully submitted:

SHANDEE THERESA O. LLIDO-PESTAÑO
City Councilor & Chairperson



MINUTES OF THE JOINT HEARING OF THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM, CULTURE & THE ARTS AND COMMITTEE ON LAWS, RULES & REVIEW OF BARANGAY ORDINANCES & EXECUTIVE ORDERS OF THE 18TH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF GENERAL SANTOS.

Monday, March 20, 2017
3:52 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Session Hall, 2/F Legislative Building
City Hall Drive, General Santos City

MEMBERS/COUNCILORS PRESENT: Hon. Shandee Theresa O. Llido-Pestaño (*Chairperson-Com. on Tourism, Culture & the Arts*), Hon. Elizabeth B. Bagonoc

GUESTS/RESOURCE PERSONS: *Please see attached attendance sheet.*

AGENDUM:

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Hon. Shandee Theresa O. Llido-Pestaño called the hearing to order and after which acknowledged the presence of all attendees.

Councilor Bagonoc informed that this is an offshoot of the deliberations during the previous regular sessions where the City Council had approved an ORDINANCE DECLARING JUNE 15 AS THE CITY CHARTER DAY OF GENERAL SANTOS AND EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER which practically made the Tuna Festival orphan of its celebration every September 5. As agreed in the City Council, the city can celebrate the Inauguration Day on September 5 if the Charter Anniversary Day is transferred every June 15 based on Republic Act 5412, AN ACT CREATING THE CITY OF GENERAL SANTOS which was signed on June 15, 1968. Since based on the record, it was on September 5 that former President Ferdinand Marcos led the inauguration of the city as a highly urbanized city of South Cotabato, then they deemed it proper to call such day as the Inauguration Day. With this, every June 15 will be the Charter Day with the Yaman Gensan, the Tuna Festival Celebration will now be the Inauguration Day and every February will be the Foundation Day and Kalilangan Festival.

Finding no problem in celebrating the city's inauguration every September 5, Atty. Clarin then inquired on the stand of the City Council on this proposal. Councilor Pestaño informed that during one of the committee hearings, it was found out that other cities celebrate during the day of inauguration. She doesn't find any problem declaring September 5 as Inauguration Day since it was the day that former President Ferdinand E. Marcos came here to inaugurate the cityhood of General Santos. Hon. Bagonoc added that they did some research that on July 8, 1968, the Municipality of General Santos converted into a city upon the approval of Republic Act 5412 authored by Congressman James L. Chiongbian. It was inaugurated on September 5 of same year with Antonio C. Acharon as the city's first Mayor in 1968.

Thereafter, upon motion of Bai Janena Tito for the approval of this item and duly seconded by Atty. Clarin, the chair ruled this item approved on committee level and to be calendared on Tuesday's regular session.

APPROVED ON COMMITTEE LEVEL

There being no more matter to discuss, the chair declared the hearing adjourned at 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

HEARING - ADJOURNED

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City Councilor/Presiding Officer