

Republic of the Philippines PROVINCE OF BOHOL City of Tagbilaran



PROVINCIAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PROVINCIAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (PDC-EXECOM) HELD ON JANUARY 30, 2017 AT THE BOHOL TROPICS RESORT, TAGBILARAN CITY

In Attendance:

Gov. Edgar M. Chatto, PDC Chair and Presiding Officer

and

Majority of the Members of the PDC-ExeCom

PDC-EXECOM RESOLUTION NO. 18-A - 2017

A RESOLUTION FAVORABLY ENDORSING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TAGBILARAN CITY TO PANGLAO ISLAND BRIDGE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS (DPWH) AND TO THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL OF REGION VII (RDC-7) FOR SUPPORT AND FUNDING

WHEREAS, Panglao Island, one of the major tourism areas of the province of Bohol and the site for the New Bohol Airport, is geographically separated by water and linked by two (2) bridges to the main island of the province through Tagbilaran City;

WHEREAS, with the growing population trend of the Panglao Island municipalities - Dauis and Panglao, the expected increase in tourists and visitors of the island with the operation of the new airport, and the foreseen continuing economic development in the island will generate significant increase in traffic to and from the island and the mainland;

WHEREAS, the existing two (2) bridges linking the island are considered inadequate to take on such increase in traffic volume due to limited road width especially at the causeway side, road obstruction from parked vehicles and concerns of interconnectivity to the City Port, which are expected to generate traffic congestion at the Tagbilaran City - Panglao area that cause inconvenience to commuters and travelers:

WHEREAS, the continuing urban concentration, traffic congestion and physical limitations of existing inter-island bridges merit for the opening of a new bridge linking Panglao Island and Tagbilaran City;

WHEREAS, the construction of a new bridge, which may be proximate to the fastcraft port and directly accessing the New Bohol Airport and accommodation facilities, would be a viable economic option, consistent with the strategies of the Bohol Tourism Master Plan and Bohol Spatial Development Framework of improving the transport interconnectivity

between Panglao Island and the mainland for the benefit of residents and tourists;

WHEREAS, this project, which is currently under feasibility study by the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) also supports national and local development thrusts of economic growth and poverty reduction, which are vital to the disaster risk management strategies of the Province of Bohol;

WHEREAS, this Body has found said infrastructure project to be in order and fully supportive of the development thrusts of the national government as well as the Provincial Government of Bohol, particularly improving interconnectivity and promotion of seamless travel;

WHEREFORE, upon proper motion duly seconded, be it resolved by this Body in a meeting duly convened -

To favorably endorse the Construction of Tagbilaran City to Panglao Island Bridge to the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) and to the Regional Development Council of Region VII (RDC-7) for Support and Funding

RESOLVED FURTHER, to furnish copies of the same Resolution to the DPWH Regional Office and to Hon. Rene L. Relampagos, 1st Congressional District of Bohol for support.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

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I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing Resolution.

JOHN TITUS J. VISTAL PPDC-Bohol

Head, PDC Secretariat

APPROVÉD:

EDGAR M. CHATTO

M. Governor

Chairman, PDC-Bohol