

# Republic of the Philippines Province of Sorsogon

### CITY OF SORSOGON



## Office of the Sangguniang Ranlungsod

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SEVENTH CITY COUNCIL HELD ON JANUARY 19, 2021 AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL, SORSOGON CITY.

**PRESENT:** 

**HON. MARK ERIC C. DIONEDA**City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

#### **BACON DISTRICT**

Hon. Jo Abegail C. Dioneda Hon. Danilo A. Deladia Hon. Melchor P. Atutubo Hon. Hilario D. Dioneda

#### **WEST DISTRICT**

Hon. Nestor J. Baldon Hon. Fernando David H. Duran, III Hon. Rebecca D. Aquino

#### ABSENT:

Hon, Erwin J. Duana

#### **EAST DISTRICT**

Hon. Ralph Walter R. Lubiano Hon. Mary Ellen D. Jamisola Hon. Franco Eric O. Ravanilla Hon. Joven G. Laura

#### **EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS**

Hon. Ma. Teresa D. Perdigon Hon. Lorenz S. Abenion

### Resolution No. 020, Series of 2021

(Author: Hon. Mark Eric C. Dioneda)

RESOLUTION FAVORABLY ENDORSING THE DEPED SORSOGON CITY LOW FM RADYO ESKWELA PROGRAM OF THE SCHOOLS DIVISION OF SORSOGON CITY AND THEREBY HUMBLY REQUESTING AND APPEALING TO THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (NTC) TO ISSUE PROVISIONARY PERMITS FOR FREE OR TO EXEMPT THE SAME FROM COMPLIANCE THEREOF AMID COVID 19 PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, the state gives importance to education in adherence to the 1987 Philippine Constitution, under Article II, Section 17, which states: "The state shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerated social progress and promote total liberation and development";

**WHEREAS**, it is a declared policy of the State that quality education is an inalienable right of all Filipinos, thus, the State shall protect and promote the rights of all

students to quality education at all levels and take appropriate steps to make such quality education accessible to all;

WHEREAS, RA 9155, otherwise known as the Basic Education Act of 2001, declares that, "it is the State's policy to promote the right of all citizens to quality basic education and make such education accessible to all Filipinos by providing free and compulsory education in the elementary level, and free education in the high level as well as alternative learning system for out-of-school youths and adult learners";

WHEREAS, the Department of Education has formulated its Public Health Emergency Program, incorporated therein is the Basic Education Learning Continuity Plan for School Year 2020-2021 which mandates the preparation of the learning needs of school children in the opening classes through blended learning, distance learning (modular, online and TV-Radio based instruction) or homeschooling modalities;

**WHEREAS**, among the 10-Point Agenda of the present administration are the Sulay sa Futuro (Youth Assistance Program) and the YES! to Children Assistance Program which shall provide hope among our youth and children to continue their education in the midst of the pandemic and under the new normal learning strategies;

**WHEREAS**, the City government of Sorsogon pledges its resolute support and commitment to the "Contextualized Learning Continuity Plans" of the Department of Education – Division of Sorsogon;

WHEREAS, pursuant to DepEd Order No. 12, Series of 2020 which instructs all DepEd governance levels to adapt the Basic Education Learning Community Plan Amidst Covid 19 Pandemic and PD No. 922, Series of 2020 declaring Nationwide Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines, the Schools Division of Sorsogon City deemed it proper to respond to the challenge and adapt to the health crisis in order to bring education to the learners and continue the aim of DepEd to serve children in whatever possible way it can;

**WHEREAS**, DepEd Order No. 12, Series of 2020 encouraged the schools to do all it can to reach learners and be able to provide the needed instruction even the learners are not in the classrooms;

WHEREAS, one of the options under the Basic Education Learning Community Plan Amidst Covid 19 Pandemic is the use of Radio Based Instruction where teachers are using radios to enhance learning of children where they are at homes, considering the fact that most of the remote barangays have no or with poor internet signal;

**WHEREAS**, the Low FM Radyo Eskwela Program proposed to put up a low power FM transmitter (5W-10W) in selected schools that are outside the coverage of commercial FM Radios and Telcos/Internet Providers;

**WHEREAS**, the program likewise proposed that selected schools will have their respective assigned frequency the National Telecommunications Commission may assign for the purpose;

WHEREAS, the radio will be used and operate from 8:00 am to 5 pm, Monday to Friday, for education and informational purposes only and will not be used for commercial, political and other not related intentions of the project;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of **Hon. Jo Abegail C. Dioneda**, duly seconded by **Ralph Walter R. Lubiano**, resolved as it is hereby resolve to favorably endorse the DepEd Sorsogon City Low FM Radyo Eskwela Program of the Schools Division of Sorsogon City and thereby humbly requesting and appealing to the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) to issue provisionary permits for free or exempt the same from compliance thereof amid Covid 19 Pandemic.

DATE APPROVED: January 19, 2020

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

ROVAN E. DOMASIAN

Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

Attested:

MARK ERIC C. DIONEDA

City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer