



Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Sorsogon  
**CITY OF SORSOGON**



*Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod*

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SEVENTH CITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE SESSION HALL ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2020.

**PRESENT:**

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

**BACON DISTRICT**

Hon. Jo Abegail C. Dioneda  
Hon. Hilario D. Dioneda  
Hon. Danilo A. Deladia

**EAST DISTRICT**

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

**WEST DISTRICT**

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

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS**

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

**ABSENT:**

Hon. Melchor P. Atutubo – Forced Leave

***Resolution No. 253, Series of 2020***

(Author: Hon. Franco Eric O. Ravanilla)

**RESOLUTION ENJOINING ALL DEPARTMENT HEADS AND CITY EMPLOYEES IN THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENTS TO ENSURE UNRESTRICTED ACCESS TO PUBLIC DOCUMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC.**

**WHEREAS**, in the Bill of Rights enshrined in the Constitution, the right to property, policy of full disclosure of all transactions involving public interest and the right of the people to information on matters of public concern are given top cognizance;

**WHEREAS**, Article II and III of the Philippine Constitution as reiterated in COA Circular Number 2013-004, states that subject to reasonable conditions prescribed by law, the State adopts and implements a policy of full disclosure of all transactions involving public interest and recognizes the right of the people to information on matters of public concern;

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act 9485 otherwise known as the Anti-Red Tape Law (ARTA) of 2007 mandates all government offices to simplify frontline service procedures, formulate service standards to observe in every transaction and make known these standards to their clients; **WHEREAS**, for purposes of full disclosure and transparency, the 7<sup>th</sup> City Council adheres to implement easy access to public documents as requested by the general constituents, subject however to certain limitations as mandated by relevant rules and regulations;

**WHEREAS**, foregoing premise considered and after due deliberation on the matter, the 7<sup>th</sup> City Council deemed it necessary to pass a resolution enjoining all Department Heads and City Employees in the Executive and Legislative Departments to ensure Unrestricted Access to Public Documents by the General Public;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of **City Councilor Franco Eric O. Ravanila** duly seconded by the body, resolve as it is hereby resolved to enjoin all Department Heads and City Employees in the Executive and Legislative Departments to ensure Unrestricted Access to Public Documents by the General Public;

**DATE APPROVED: September 22, 2020**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

  
**ROVAN E. DOMASIAN**

Acting Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

Attested:

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