

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2020-002

- TO: The Honorable Presiding Officer and the Members of the August Body
- BY: By the Committee on Communication, Water & Energy Chaired by: Hon. Reynaldo Tumabotabo
- SUBJECT: re: Letter dated December 11, 2019 of Mayor Suzette T. Alquisada addressed to the Sangguniang Bayan thru Atty. Virgilio T. Teruel, Vice Mayor and Presiding Officer, respectfully endorsing the letter from Atty. Carlos P. Gatmaytan III, Vice President, Legal Affairs of the Santos Petroleum Corporation (SPC) received by this office on December 10, 2019, for information and appropriate action.

"FINDINGS AND DISCUSSIONS:

The joint committees, Committee on Environmental Protection, Housing, Land Utilization, Zonification, Assessment & Expropriation and Committee on Communication, Water and Energy chaired by Hon. Neri T. Camiña and Hon. Reynaldo Tumabotabo, respectively, conducted their committee report last December 4, 2019 with the recommendation for the non-renewal of the Lease Contract of Santos Petroleum Corporation (SPC) over the lot covered by TCT No. T-16772 when it expires in February 2020.

At the request of Atty. Carlos P. Gatmaytan III, Vice President of Legal Affairs of SPC, a meeting was held on December 9, 2019 between the SPC, represented by Atty. Gatmaytan III, and LGU Tigbauan represented by Municipal Mayor, Atty. Suzette Tenefrancia-Alquisada, together with Vice Mayor, Atty. Virgilio Teruel, and SB Members, namely: Hon. Dennis Valencia, Hon. Neri Camiña, Hon. Suzette Marie Hilado-Banno, Hon. Julius Ledesma and Hon. Jerry Tuares, and yours truly (Hon. Reynaldo Tumabotabo) at the Office of the Vice Mayor.

During the said meeting, after hearing both sides, SPC and LGU Tigbauan agreed in principle that:

- a. The LGU decision not to renew the SPC lease contract stands. However, SPC shall be given until 30 June 2020 to operate and sell fuel at said location and until 31 July 2020 to remove all pumps, tanks, equipment, structures, signage and completely vacate the leased property.
- b. SPC shall continue to pay the monthly rentals covering the period March to July 2020;
- c. SPC shall install on site a public signage that (1) it shall operate and sell fuel up to June 30, 2020 only, and (2) it shall vacate the lot on or before 31 July 2020; and
- d. SPC shall restore the leased property to its physical condition when it first entered the same and surrender possession thereof to LGU Tigbauan on or before July 31, 2020, without need of a demand.

On the following day, December 10, 2019, the Office of the Municipal Mayor (copy furnished the Office of the Vice Mayor and Sangguniang Bayan of Tigbauan) received the letter of Atty. Carlos P. Gatmaytan III asking for the confirmation of the agreement reached during said meeting which was endorsed by the Hon. Mayor on December 11, 2019 to this August Body for information and appropriate action.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee hereby recommends to pass a "Resolution Confirming the Agreement between SPC and LGU Tigbauan during the meeting of December 9, 2019 as contained in the Letter of Atty. Carlos P. Gatmaytan III, Vice President of Legal Affairs of SPC but to Comply strictly with all the conditions stated above".

The Committee further recommends for the adoption and approval of this Committee Report."

Respectfully submitted:

January 15, 2020, Tigbauan, Iloilo, Philippines

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ATTESTED: ,

MARLENE TAYO-NAVA S.B. Secretary

HON. VIRGILIO T. TERUEL, LAWYER Municipal Vice Mayor

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