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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2020-021

TO: The Honorable Presiding Officer and the Members of the August Body

BY: The Committee on Environmental Protection, Housing, Land Utilization, Zonification, Assessment & Expropriation chaired by Hon. Neri T. Camiña

SUBJECT: re: Letter dated May 5, 2020 of Atty. Suzette T. Alquisada, Municipal Mayor addressed to the Sangguniang Bayan thru: Hon. Virgilio T. Teruel, *Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer*, respectfully endorsing the letter from Community Environment & Natural Resources Office (CENRO), Guimbal regarding the Residential Free Patent Application of Zenaida T. Torrechante, Et. Al for perusal and appropriate action.

"FINDINGS AND DISCUSSIONS:

A committee hearing was called by the committee on May 14, 2020 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning at the S.B. Session.

Present during said committee hearing were the following: SB Members – Yours truly (Hon. Neri Camiña), Hon. Julius T. Ledesma and Hon. Norberto T. Turalba. Other attendees were Mr. Vicente Mellizas, Jr., CENR Officer, Mr. Edgardo A. Ferrer, LMO III (CENRO), Punong Barangay Edison Camiña of Brgy. Atabayan, this municipality, Applicants of Residential Free Patent: *Mrs. Zenaida Torrechante and Ma. Fely delos Reyes*, Informal Settlers of the applied lot: *Mrs. Rany Libo-on and Mary Ann Libo-on*, Mr. Rexfel Trivilegio, (*MENRO-designate*) and Engr. Ermin Sia, *Zoning Officer III*.

The following important comments/opinions, suggestions were likewise noted down during COMMITTEE HEARING lengthy discussions:

- The Residential Free Patent Application of Zenaida Torrechante Et. Al. of Brgy. Atabayan, Tigbauan, Iloilo was started last 2019 and it was known that this lot applied for had been occupied by informal settlers named Libo-on Family for almost 19 years.
- The Community Environment and Natural Resources Office thru its CENR Officer, Mr. Vicente Mellizas, Jr. informed the Local Government Unit of Tigbauan thru the Municipal Mayor of the public land application of Zenaida Torrechante Et. Al. and the CENRO would like to seek clearance if the LGU interposes no objection to its disposition in favor of the above-named applicant.
- It turned out that the Sangguniang Bayan had passed two (2) Resolutions pertaining to public lands entitled:
 - *"RESOLUTION DECLARING ALL IDENTIFIED PUBLIC LAND AREAS ALONG THE SHORELINE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TIGBAUAN AS RESERVED FOR MUNICIPAL USE"*
 - *"RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR, ATTY. SUZETTE T. ALQUISADA FOR AND IN BEHALF OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TIGBAUAN TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT (MOPA) WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR) REGION VI FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PUBLIC LAND TITLING PROGRAM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TIGBAUAN"*
- As per testimony of the CENR Officer this consultation or clearance they are requesting from the LGU Tigbauan is just a first step of this public land application. However it's up for the applicant, Mrs. Zenaida Torrechante to seek further consideration to the higher authorities.
- Mr. Rexfel Trivilegio, MENRO designate also informed that this public land applied by Mrs. Zenaida Torrechante is declared as watershed area of the Municipality of Tigbauan.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The committee hereby recommends to return back this Residential Free Patent Application of Zenaida Torrechante to the Office of the Municipal Mayor, Atty. Suzette Tenefrancia-Alquisada for her perusal, disposition and appropriate action.

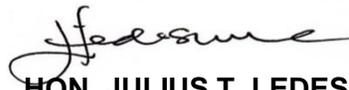
The Committee further recommends for the adoption of this Committee Report.”

Respectfully Submitted:

May 20, 2020, Tigbauan, Iloilo, Philippines



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