Republic of the Philippines REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

MIMAROPA Region Calapan City

(EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE FOURTH QUARTER RDC MIMAROPA FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 02 DECEMBER 2022 IN PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. 2022-080-1107

ADOPTING THE PORT CITY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY IN MIMAROPA REGION AND FAVORABLY ENDORSING IT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the National Spatial Strategy is the core strategy of the National Physical Framework Plan (NPFP) that seeks to encourage urban growth in selected centers and corridors in various regions of the country by providing the analytical parameters for the planned allocation, use, and management of the county's land use and other physical resources;

WHEREAS, the Luzon Spatial Development Framework (LSDF) 2015-2045 provides for a five-tiered hierarchy of settlements with Metro Manila as the prime metropolitan center and follows the NSS' core elements of concentration, connectivity, and vulnerability reduction;

WHEREAS, a bilateral meeting between the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) regional offices of MIMAROPA and CALABARZON was conducted on 18 April 2022 to discuss the land use and port city development initiative, among others;

WHEREAS, a port city is: a) considered as a medium for interaction between land and sea networks; b) a city where port and maritime activities have strong influence on the local economy that the city depends on the port to exist; c) affect the spatial organization of the host locality and the surrounding regions; and d) a point for trade, localization of industries and services, attractive areas for tourism and for cultural change;

WHEREAS, Occidental Mindoro and Oriental Mindoro, as the pilot provinces for the development of port cities, have a total of 22 ports classified as baseport, other terminal ports, other government ports, municipal ports, fish ports, and private ports serving other MIMAROPA island provinces and mainland Luzon, particularly Batangas Port in the province of Batangas;

WHEREAS, the proposed port city development master planning in MIMAROPA region will facilitate integration of port-related activities, operations, and services with the island's land use, resources, culture, population, and environment by enabling movement of people, creating infrastructure development, attracting investment, bringing employment opportunities, and driving urban development;

WHEREAS, the initial list of proposed port cities in Mindoro Island includes:

- a. Port of Calapan City in Oriental Mindoro Trading Port;
- b. Port of Balatero, Puerto Galera in Oriental Mindoro Tourism Port; and,
- c. Port of Caminawit, San Jose in Occidental Mindoro Naval and Ship Building Port Development;

WHEREAS, the MIMAROPA IDC and CALABARZON IDC, during their joint meeting on 16 June 2022, recognized the need to develop ports in priority areas in the MIMAROPA region and advance development for its host city or municipality through the creation of a port city development master plan, and recommended RDC adoption through Inter-Regional IDC Resolution No. 2022-002:

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Regional Development Council MIMAROPA adopts the Port City Development Strategy in MIMAROPA Region and favorably endorses it to the Department of Transportation and the National Economic and Development Authority;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That copies of this resolution be furnished to the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro, Provincial Government of Occidental Mindoro, Municipal Government of Puerto Galera, City Government of Calapan, and Municipal Government of San Jose;

RESOLVED FINALLY, That the Department of Transportation, National Economic and Development Authority, Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro, Provincial Government of Occidental Mindoro, Municipal Government of Puerto Galera, City Government of Calapan, and Municipal Government of San Jose, provide the Council a report on the action taken within 20 days upon receipt of the resolution;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 2nd day of December in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty two in Pasay City.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

ARD APOULO EDWIN S. PAGANO RDC Secretary

ATTESTED:

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RDC Vice Chairperson

APPROVED:

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