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Pahayagang palaban!!!

Ban use of deceiving lights on goods at market – Farinas



BAGUIO CITY – Vendors using “deceiving lights” to make their commodities like meat, fish, vegetables and fruits look fresh, beware.

An ordinance has been proposed at the city council to penalize such act.

Proponent Vice Mayor Daniel Farinas said the proposal aims to stop the nefarious practice of some market vendors to mask the quality of their products.

Farinas said consumers commonly complain that the fish or meat they meticulously buy from market stalls particularly those that use lights over mounds of their products but the goods turned out to be not as fresh the moment these were brought home.

“It has been noticed that unscrupulous stall tenders and owners in the Baguio City Public Market have been surreptitiously installing lights that when illuminated especially onto meats and fishes tend to make them appear fresh and a whole lot more appealing to the unsuspecting buyer. Albeit

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QUICK RECOVERY RTMO-CAR ACTION TEAM!!! On the early morning of May 23, 2008 the ML Taxi was subject to robbery holdup and carnapping along Military Cut-off. On that very same day, due to the quick response and diligent dragnet operations of the RTMO-CAR Operatives the vehicle was recovered immediately and returned to its owner Mr. Mario Jesus de Guzman. RTMO-CAR is headed by P/SR. Supt. Romeo Cachola Ver, PESE. DSC.

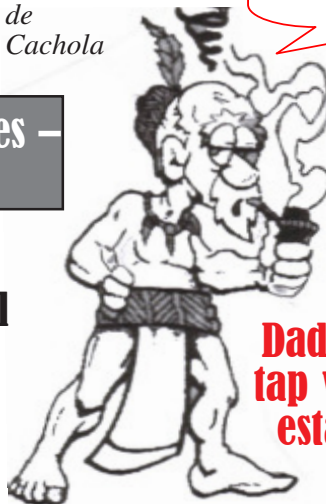
Tama 'yan, dapat lang itigil yang makulay na ilaw lalo na sa fish section!!

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BY: F.J. FARRES (GUEST COLUMNIST)

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Mga Abogado dapat na mag drug test



BY: ODELL AQUINO

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Dads to prohibit use of tap water in food establishments

BAGUIO CITY – Food establishments will soon be barred from serving tap water to their customers.

The city council has approved on second reading the proposed ordinance for this purpose proposed by Councilor Nicasio Aliping Jr.

In his proposal, Aliping said some food establishments like restaurants, eateries and carinderias serve tap water for drinking and this poses health hazard as tap water is often of questionable quality.

“It can be a health hazard as tap water contains and carries bacteria that cause water-borne illnesses such as diarrhea, typhoid fever and other similar forms of diseases,” he said.

“To promote safety and protect the

consuming public, every restaurant, eateries and other food service establishments should be required to use and serve purified and mineral water as drinking water and prohibit the use of tap water by restaurants, eatery and other food service establishments as drinking water.”

“Healthy, safe and sanitized potable drinking water for the consuming public who wants to quench their thirst should be the primordial concern of every restaurant, eatery and food service establishment.”

Under the proposed ordinance, these food establishments will be required to serve only safe water like mineral and purified for

Sm backs out from tree park condotel plan

BAGUIO CITY - Vice Mayor Daniel Farinas Thursday bared that SM Development Corporation is considering withdrawing its condotel plan at the tree park near the Baguio Convention Center and instead concentrate the development on the convention facility and the vacant lot surrounding it.

He said this was based on his talk with SMDC representative Carlo Alampay after Alampay’s appearance before the city council the other week where he confirmed the said condotel plan at the 1.4-hectare area.

Farinas said this is a welcome development as the city would not need to wrestle for the retention of the pinestand, the only one remaining.

“The drinking water must be displayed and stored in a safe and sanitary manner, labeled and marked as mineral and purified water,” the measure noted.

Proposed penalties for violators are fines ranging from P1,000 to P5,000 with revocation of business permit.

Aliping’s proposal will be tackled on second reading after publication soon./aileen p. refuerzo

in the area, as such.

He said SM’s plan for the Baguio Convention Center also sits well with the city’s desire to improve the facility and at the same settle its deal with the GSIS to purchase the property.

Alampay earlier bared plans to develop the convention facility and assured they are willing to enter into agreements for joint ventures on such matter.

Mayor Reinaldo Bautista Jr. last Monday assured that there is no cause to worry about the condotel plan of the SMDC and the Government Service Insurance System under a joint venture.

“I ask our people for restraint as these are merely plans presented and these will all be perused by us before they can implement anything,” the mayor

told his weekly press briefing in reaction to supposed plan by some sectors to organize massive protests against the project.

The mayor said that at present, the area cannot be touched because of pending cases before the court as to the ownership of the said property.

Alampay presented before the body a concept plan for the said project dubbed “BaguioAir” where four 13-storey condotel buildings and commercial complex will be built on the lot and a total of 313 trees will be felled.

Three proposals are now pending before the city council calling for the preservation of the pine forest as such and opposing any plan to develop the same into anything but a pine forest.

Councilor Richard Carino maintained that the area is classified as insti-

tutional thus cannot be built on.

Councilors Fred Bagbagen, Isabelo Cosalan Jr. and Elaine Sembrano’s joint

proposed resolution also opposed the “removal of the Pine Forest at the BCC grounds to allow construction of a commercial structure by private developers.”

Councilor Betty Lourdes Tabanda, meanwhile, wants to request the GSIS to submit a letter of intent for whatever development it may undertake in area.

The aldermen said that removing the woodland would have great effect on the environment as apart from being one of the remaining pinestands in the area, it supplies part of the water needs of the city./aileen p. refuerzo

PUBLIC APOLOGY

This is to express my earnest apology to the Honorable Asst. City Prosecutor Raymond T. Tabangin who had taken offense and had incurred hurt feelings due to my column Pinupuna At Pinapansin published at this newspaper issue of December 1, 2007. I wish to extend my sincere apologies for the column that has offended Asst. Pros. Tabangin.

(SGD) Odell P. Aquino
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Baguio City, Philippines



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(SGD) Odell P. Aquino
The Junction- OIC

Keep off monuments, public structures – farinas

BAGUIO CITY – The city council is considering a proposed ordinance prohibiting the use, obstruction or covering of monuments, statues and all other park structures found in parks.

The body approved on second reading the said measure proposed by Vice Mayor Daniel Farinas.

Farinas in his proposal said the city's parks "are fast depreciating on account of wanton disregard for its maintenance such that these supposed scenic attractions are being abused for commercialization and mercantile exploits."

"Monuments, busts and all other structures that make up the totality of

our public parks' beauty and composition are being utilized for purposes other than what they are essentially intended for. Park structures are used to suspend wires, straws, ropes and such other devices to hang tents, shades for stalls, banners, streamers and for other purposes... which have become eyesores to a rather beautiful and unobstructed view of our pretty parks," Farinas noted.

He said there is a need to stop these practices that destroy the parks and the city's image.

As proposed, the measure seeks to prohibit the following acts:

- *hanging of banners, streamers, bunting or pasting of posters and similar acts that can destroy or obstruct any portion of a public park for its aesthetic value with permanency or if allowed by the city government should go beyond the period so

specified in the permits;

- *erection of wooden, steels or plastic structures using an man-made park structure or national portions of parks as means of support;

- *setting up of shades, tents, or any other shelter for the vending of goods and wares, or any commercial or mercantile exploits; and

- *any other act found by the city government to be destructive or obstructive to the park.

Proposed penalties are fines beginning from P1,000 and additional P500 for every succeeding offenses.

Farinas' measure will be discussed on second reading after publication. – aileen p. ruerfuzo



ANTI DRUG ABUSE - City Anti-Drug Abuse Council chair and action officer Vice Mayor Daniel Farinas briefs visiting Sangguniang Kabataan members from

Maliliput, Albay about the on-going Life-PRIDE Barkadahan Kontra Droga Poster Art Contest themed: "Bayani Ako, Kaya Kong Umiwas Sa Droga Para Sa Malusog at Mapayapang Baguio" held at SP Session Hall last May 29./By Bong Cayabyab

Republic of the Philippines
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LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City

RICARDO NGAWA
Applicant
Case No. 97-BC-404

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA - GREEN VALLEY (Brgy. Dontogan) and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on June 10, 2008 at 9:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.

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WITNESS, the Honorable FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 25th day of May 2008.

(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.
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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City

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Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
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Baguio City

DANIEL MAGANES
Applicant
Case No. 88-01-707

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Hearing Officer

PROBLEMA Sa Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board (HLURB-CAR)?

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Magsumbong at mag-ingay para mabawasan ang katiwalian sa Gobyerno!!!

We believe that the Golden Rule applies to animals, too. We don't accept the prevailing notion that "people come first" or that "people are more important than animals." Animals feel pain and suffer just as we do, and it is almost always humans making animals suffer and not the other way around. Yet in spite of how cruelly people behave towards animals – not to mention human cruelty to other humans- we are supposed to believe that humans are superior to other animals. If people want to fancy themselves as being of greater moral worth than the other creatures on this earth, we should begin behaving better than they do, and not worse. Let's start treating everyone as we would like to be treated ourselves.

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Austere Laurels

The old postcard, used as a page-marker, slipped from the book we were flipping through. It stirred memories.

The tattered card depicted the "Hundred Islands" of Pangasinan. Scribbled on it was one homesick line: "What has Rome got to compare with this?" The late Fr. Horacio de la Costa, SJ posted it from the Jesuit house on Borgio Spirito Santo, a block from the Vatican.

Columnist Carmen "Chitang" Napkil described De la Costa as "the gentle genius". He was priest; historian; professor; first Filipino to head the Jesuits in the Philippines. Later, he became special counselor to the legendary Father General Pedro Arrupe.

When he died, at 60, in 1977, he had touched the lives of many: from ordinary workers to classmates like Raul Mangalpus, Jesus Paredes and Chief Justice Claudio Teehankee. His statue

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today stands on the Loyola Heights campus. "I was there; Second Year

high school; Section C; Boy Scout Troop No. 5, rear rank," he lightly joshed. And two incidents come to mind.

The first was the small birthday party his mother hosted. Fr de la Costa apo-logged for coming late. Imelda Marcos summoned him to Malacañang to ask: Would he write the "New Society's" history?

The room fell silent. "And your answer?," someone asked. "They wanted me to be their Pigafetta," he said with a quiet smile. "I replied: Madame, my specialization is the Spanish colonial period. Perhaps, you may wish to get somebody more qualified."

The second incident: "Who is this man?" Indonesian editor Sumono Mustoffa whispered to the late Columnist Apolonio "Pol" Battala at a Press Foundation of Asia seminar. "He knows more about my country than I do."

The slim bespectacled De la Costa had, in a few trenchant paragraphs, sketched out the history, status and problems of Indonesia's clove industry—source of scented kritik cigarettes that Sumono and many of his countrymen puff with panache.

"On my return, I drove out to Bandung to check out with our agricultural scientists on what Fr. de la Costa presented," Sumono told me at a Jakarta dinner shortly before his death. "He was right with that one."

As a 22-year old seminarian, he wrote "Light Cavalry", a history of the Society of Jesus. Bombing of Manila scrubbed the scheduled release for Christmas of 1941. "Most copies were burned," writes his classmate Fr. James Reuter, SJ. "The Japanese used the metal type for bullets. So, the release was delayed for 56 years. Sorry about that." Harvard University Press published, in 1961, his book on "Jesuits in the Philippines: 1581-1768".

Former students compiled, 25 years after his death, his papers into four-volumes. They are a must for any library. The scope covers his early writings, to studies on colonial Philippines, religious themes and national problems.

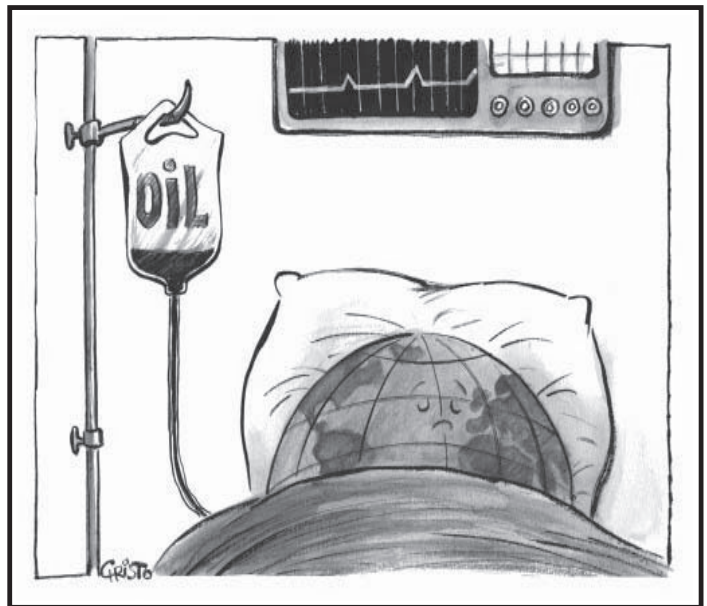
The language sparkles. "Lord, he could write," author Raul Rodrigo commented in a book review And the unassuming scholarship that floored the Indonesian editor is patent throughout. Volume Three, for example, is titled: "Selected Essays on the Filipino and His Problems Today." It seems tailored for politicians scrambling for pelf and power.

"The survival of democratic government in our country depends on whether or not people have confidence in the ability of government to reform itself. And they will have this confidence only if they see government making a serious effort to reform," he wrote.

"They will lose confidence, they will lose hope, not only in their government but in themselves, if they see our ship of state continues to be, in the words of T.S. Eliot, 'a drifting boat with a slow leakage.'

"They are no longer contented to be 'forever bailing.' They will not long be persuaded to 'make a trip that will be unpayable, for a haul that will not bear examination'.

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Shootout O Rub-out
Col. Gueverra puros gang sa Baguio

BY RUDY "BANTAY SIYASAT" GARCIA



Habang sinusulat ko ang kolum na ito ay nailagak na ang labi ni Anakpawis Representative Crispin Beltran o "Ka Bel" sa kanilang bayan sa Bulakan Marami ang nagmahal na kababayan natin kay "Ka Bel" lalo na ang mga sector ng mga manggagawa. Simpol lamang ang klase ng pamumuhay ni "Ka Bel" hindi katulad ng ibang korap na opisyal ng gobyerno.

Sana ay marami pa ang magiging katulad ni Ka Crispin Beltran at sana ay ipagpatuloy ng iba niyang kasamahan ang kanyang simulain. Isa ang kolum na ito sa nagpupugay kay dakilang "Ka Crispin Beltran"! Paalam Ka Bel!

ooOoo

Bakit kaya tinaguriang "Secret Witness" ni Senador Allan Peter Cayetano si dating Speaker Jose De Venecia? Si JDV ay sinasabing isa sa susunod na tetestigo hinggil sa umano'y maanomalyang ZTE NBN deal.

Hindi kaya ang ibig sabihin ng butihing senador ay sikreto pa rin o "confidential" ang magiging pahayag ni JDV sa gagawing pagdinig ng Senado? Pero, sana ay iwasan ni butihing Senador Cayetano ang ganitong nakalilitong pahayag.

Marami ngayon ang umaasa sa magiging testimonya ni Joe D. V. Anila, sana naman daw ay magsalita at ihayag nitong si JDV ang lahat ng nalalaman niya tungkol sa ZTE at huwag daw sana siyang gumaya kay Romulo Neri na walang "yagbols" at puro "palusot" ang alam.

Kung magagawa ito ni JDV, marami na namang Juan Dela Cruz ang mabibigyan ng pag-asang malaman ang buong katotohanan sa likod ng ZTE NBN deal Scandal!

Nagsimulang "sumipol" ang anak na si Joey De Venecia III, tatapusin kaya ito ng amang si Joe De Venecia? Ika nga sa dayalogo ng isang pelikula sa sine "umpisahan mo, tatapusin ko"! magiging patok kaya ito mga suki? Sana nga at baka sakali, magiging mitsa ito sa pagbagsak ng mga sinungaling at magnanakaw! Amen!

ooOoo

Hindi pa rin matapos-tapos ang "bangayan" nina WINSTON GARCIA at GSIS at ang pamilya LOPEZ ng Meralco... at umeksena na rin dito ang SEC. pinatitigil ng SEC ang eleksyon para sa "Board of Directors" ng Meralco pero hindi ito sinunod ng Meralco at ipinagpatuloy ang kanilang eleksyon kunsaan panalo ang mga Lopez sa "Board" at dahil dito ay "nagtatarang" na itong si Garcia!

Sa ngayon ay patuloy na dinidinig ang isyu sa Meralco sa

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THE PEACE COMBATANT

*BWD management of water:
oppressive, wasteful,
and inefficient*

BY ARTURO BOQUIREN



If we are to have inexpensive water and a caring water supplier, there is no other alternative but to change management personnel in the BWD. The BWD has been mismanaging our water supply. BWD water is either the most expensive or one of the most expensive water suppliers in the country! As discussed in earlier columns, BWD's water rates exceed by so many hundred percent (even up to 1,000%) Manila's water rates when supposedly BWD is a government-controlled (no evidence yet to say it is crocodile-controlled) corporation. Manila's water supply manager is profit-oriented and yet it would seem that the BWD has been beating Manila's water supplier in earning superprofits. Of course, the more appropriate way of looking at this is that the BWD is a wasteful manager of water supply, assuming there is no corruption. Wasteful managers do not deserve public support. They only deserve the scorn of the public especially when they do not resign to give way to more efficient managers.

Whether there is corruption or whether the BWD managers have simply been wasteful, both affirm the need for a BWD or a water supplier that is transparent and genuinely accountable to consumers. Towards creating a water management body that is transparent and accountable to consumers, we have to study the Presidential Decree 198 (Provincial Water Utilities Act of 1973, as amended by Presidential Decrees 758 and 1479) that created the water districts of the country. Two years after the Presidential Decree 198, the Baguio City Council wrote City Resolution 63-75 that created the Baguio Water District. In 1 July 1979, the Local Water Utilities Administration issued Certificate of Conformance 18 that permitted the operation of the Baguio Water District.

There is actually an urgent need to reorganize the BWD. Data immediately available to **The Peace Combatant** suggests that between years 2000 to 2004, the return on assets from the operations of the BWD is from an embarrassing -4.29% to 6.67% with another embarrassing figure of debt to assets ratio of 68%. Thus, BWD financial data immediately available to **The Peace Combatant** does not suggest exemplary BWD performance in spite of its water rates. On the other hand, we can invoke some laws that we can use to reorganize the BWD.

Section 3 of the Presidential Decree defines that the local government unit can appoint the members of Board of Directors of the BWD and this can be the basis for the appointment of a Board of Directors that are vigilant in protecting consumers rights and ensuring transparency and accountability in the BWD management. In particular, the BWD management must be coerced to ensure that public meetings are genuinely held and that people are genuinely consulted with regard to water rates. Work and supply contracts must be transparent and full accounting of expenses must be revealed to the public.

Section 67 of the Presidential Decree points out that the stocks or the water districts can issue capital shares and this can be the basis for the formation of water cooperatives that can competently manage Baguio's water supply system. A cooperative can enter into a limited-period management contracts with professional companies and this can solve the problem of skills in taking over the functions of the Baguio Water District.

As needed, the new water manager for Baguio can either exploit economies of scale or the efficiency of small firms. Section 47 of the decree provides a basis for fragmenting operations when this needed similar to the case of Metro Manila in which water supply is handled by two firms which indirectly promotes competition. In contrast, Section 44 of the decree provides a legal basis for consolidation or merger of operations.

While **The Peace Combatant** is not a lawyer, the key point asserted by this column is that we can find a legal basis to overhaul the management of the BWD and even reorganize the BWD into a more transparent and accountable organization such as a consumers' cooperative. Again, the rights of employees to work and tenure must be protected but not the rights of managers to be inefficient, wasteful, and oppressive.

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*Baguio Prosecutors Office-
HIMALA !!!*

BY: F. J. FARRAS (GUEST COLUMNIST)



With all due respect to our Honorable Assistant City Prosecutors and to the Honorable City Prosecutor- the Man, the Main man himself, Prosecutor Alfredo R. Centeno; for those of you who do not fully appreciate the vital and difficult role of our Prosecutors (some still refer to them as Fiscals or Fixcals), allow me to share with you what little understanding yours truly has of this office. The Gentlemen and Ladies known and referred to as prosecutors are principally tasked to conduct preliminary investigation and to determine if there is probable cause to indict and/or to file a criminal complaint(s) in the courts of law. Their job is obviously not pleasant at all, unlike media persons who can choose to take it easy and try to satisfy both or all sides. With the prosecutors' case, just like with our Honorable Judges, one party will be satisfied (the party who considers the decision in his favor) and another party will always be dissatisfied (the party whose decision is not to his liking or favor). However, if one is indicted and/or charged in court, it is not the end of the world and it still is a long and tedious legal process ahead. As I mentioned earlier, the prosecutors are there to determine if there is probable cause, and probable cause can be defined or interpreted as "a crime may have been committed and it is possible that the respondent may be guilty of committing the crime." As to the guilt or innocence of the accused, that is left for our courts to determine. Which now brings me to the himala in this office. The himala is not about the way the prosecutors are doing their jobs, the himala is not about the way the Main Man Pros. Centeno is leading his office but the himala is in the way a party or parties in a complaint are notified. What do I mean? Just recently, last May 27, 2008 I again had the opportunity to visit the Prosecutors office after having learned that one of my partners Ms. Bing Dawang (former editor of this paper) had received on May 26, 2008 a Resolution from the pros office charging her for the offense of Falsification of Public Documents, My! My! My! And what did this dear friend of mine falsify? Apparently, she inadvertently got to mis-declare her community tax certificate (cedula) in an affidavit she had executed wherein she is a witness, although she does have a cedula duly issued by the city treasurers office. Take note friends, let this be a lesson, and the lesson is kung may gustong mang butas sa inyo kahit napakaliit na bagay ay papatulan kaya mag ingat!!! However, we never stoop down to such low levels unlike some others. At any rate, I do not wish to discuss the merits of the case as it would be a waste of printer's ink. Now, this is the HIMALA- the Pros Office Resolution was dated May 5, 2008. The resolution was brought up to the MTC on May 12, 2008, a warrant of arrest was issued by the court on May 19, 2008 and it was only on May 19, 2008 that a copy of the resolution was mailed to Ms. Dawang which she received on May 26, 2008. So there goes her right to file a motion for re-consideration which is a guaranteed and an allowed right of hers. When we brought this to the attention of Pros. Centeno he himself was surprised to learn about it, likewise all other Prosecutors etc...we pointed this out were surprised and one even commented that "minulto daw," He! He! He

This is the shit of a Himala that had again happened for the second time around, the first was last year, when it was done to Odell "Bombito" Aquino, exactly the same circumstances, only in his case it was faster, faster warrant, faster everything. In fact, I cannot understand what the perpetrators of this shit hope to gain. Perhaps this is the only way for the nincompoop(s) who orchestrated this crap to get off!!! But seriously, what gain will one have by getting a warrant served wherein due process had not been observed? In all the years that we have been involved in complaints, suits and counter suits, we have never practiced

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FAIR AND SQUARE

*Roll on the GT Express Service, but...
(Part 2)*

BY JAMES S. VALEROS



From 1996 up to about the third quarter of 2006, the LTFRB in this region had been issuing franchises to vans of different denominations, but mostly on vehicle for hire service. And during all this period, the city officials, the City Council and taxpayer oppositors appeared utterly helpless to stop the LTFRB in issuing CPCs for these vans even with the existing moratorium in the city or BLIST.

Adding up to these vans issued with CPCs by the LTFRB Region 1 and DOTC-CAR are the colorums and out of line vans coming from as far as Region 2 and Region 3 which, mysteriously, could elude all our law enforcement units in the city. If you further input in the count the abundant PUJs and taxis likewise allowed to circumvent the moratorium, the principal reason why we have this traffic congestion in the city becomes crystal clear.

In case you do not know, the present Regional Director of DOTC-CAR has every reason to be wary just allowing easily the legalization and conversion to GT Express Service of all van units in Baguio City or Cordilleras. Reason being that as councilor before, Atty. Mandapat was with us — Councilor Cariño, Councilor Balajadia, Atty. Roney Gandeza and this writer filing oppositions against the entry of new van operators whose applications were accepted by the LTFRB Region 1 in violation of the mandate of MC No. 98-026 and previous other moratorium circulars issued by the LTFRB.

But, of course, since the services of vans through the passage of year have been recognized and accepted as one convenient mode of transport service by the commuters, it may not be possible now to totally disregard the plight, as well as, the services rendered by vans. In fact, this is the best argument of the van owners and operators why they should now be allowed to avail of the legalization and conversion to GT Service Program of the LTFRB notwithstanding their violations of the moratorium and the terms and conditions of their franchises, past and present.

Regardless of whether or not the moratorium exist, however, there is really a need to determine beforehand the ideal number of vans that will only sufficiently meet the transport need of the riding public, thus, be allowed under the GT Service. And this can only be achieved by having an honest to goodness RMC surveys of the routes, with Baguio City as base of operations and as terminus of vans coming from other regions.

Good if the RMCs taken on the GT routes can accommodate the vans presently operating and which are all applying for legalization and conversion to GT Express Service. In the event they cannot all be accommodated in the RMC, there is a need for the Board to prioritize who can be allowed to convert among the present operating van operators. One system of priority that may be adopted looks this wise, if I may be allowed to suggest:

First priority, are for those holders of CPCs with the authorized unit having Baguio City as base of operations. There are less than 200 of these that were granted before initially as garage, then converted to vehicles for hire.

Second priority, are for those holders of CPCs with base of operations emanating from towns in CAR. There are more than 500 van units of this kind.

Third priority, are for those holders of CPCs with base of operations originating from different towns and cities in Region I. These are the majority of all the vans plying to and from Baguio City.

Fourth priority, are for holders of CPCs with base of operations at towns and cities of Region 2 and Region 3 who are actually operating in Baguio City.

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KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

Ka Bel, nakatupad sa utos ng Bibliya

BY. BATAS MAURICIO



KUNG mayroong mensaheng hindi dapat mawala sa isipan ng lahat sa kamatayan ni Anakpawis Party List Rep. Crispin Beltran, ito ay ang katotohanang kayang-kaya palang maglingkod ng isang Pilipino sa mataas na puwesto ng buong katapatan at walang bahid ng katiwalian.

Sa kanyang pagiging kongresista, ipinakita ni Ka Bel na ang isang mataas na opisyal ng gobyerno ay maaari din palang maglingkod ng totooan sa bayan, at literally, maging alipin ng lahat, ng hindi ginagamit ang puwesto upang yumaman.

Hindi ko alam kung alam ni Ka Bel na ang kanyang ipinakitang halimbawa ay isang pamumunong itinatakda ng Bibliya, pero maliwanag na nakasunod ang kongresista sa ipinag-utos ng Panginoong Jesus sa mga nagnanais mamuno sa bayan.

Ayon sa Panginoong Jesus, sa Kanyang aral na nakasulat sa Marcos 10:43-44 ng Bibliya, "...hindi ganyan ang dapat umiral sa inyo. Sa halip, ang sinuman sa inyo na nais maging dakila ay dapat maging lingkod ninyo, at ang sinumang nais maging pinuno ay dapat maging alipin ng lahat."

Itinalaga ni Jesus ang ganitong tuntunin para sa mga nagnanais maging pinuno, matapos hilingin sa Kanya ng magkapatid na sina Santiago at Juan na payagan silang makaupo sa Kanyang kanan at kaliwa pagdating nila sa Kanyang kaharian.

Matapos sabihin ng Panginoon na hindi siya ang magpapasya kung sino ang mauupo sa kanyang kanan at kaliwa sapagkat ang karangalang ito ay para sa mga pinaglaanan, niliwang niya na sa daigdig, ang mga pinuno ang namumuno at ang dinadakila ang siyang nasusunod. Pero, ayon kay Jesus sa Marcos 10:43-44, hindi ito ang dapat umiral. Sa halip, dapat daw maging alipin ng lahat ang mga nagnanais mamuno. Sa bansang Pilipinas, kung sinusunod lamang sana ng mga namumuno sa atin ang tagubilin ito ng Panginoon, sana'y maunlad na maunlad na tayo ngayon at hindi sana naghahirap ang bansa at ang bayan.

Kasi ba naman, kung itinuturing ng mga namumuno sa pamahalaang Pilipino na alipin lamang sila na naglingkod sa lahat, hindi sana sila magnanakaw o mandarambong sa kaban ng bayan. Wala sanang pang-aabuso sa puwesto at sa tungkulin. Wala sanang extra-judicial killings o salvaging. Ang mga pera sanang ninanakaw sa kaban ng bayan ay nagagamit para sa mga proyektong pambayan—mga paaralan, mga libro at gamit ng mga mag-aaral, mga tulay at mga kalsada, mga gamit sa mga kabukiran, mga serbisyonng para sa tao.

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TANONG: Gud am po. Papaano po ba ang pagpapa-member ng BATAS Party List? Ako po ay si Nonito J. Pedraza, 55 years old, nakatira sa Catbalogan City. Anong oras po ba ang programa ninyo ngayon sa TV? Thanks (09068653390).

SAGOT: Nonito J. Pedraza ng Catbalogan City, maraming salamat sa text question na ito.

Sa ngayon, patuloy po ang BATAS Party List (o ang Bagong Alyansang Tagapagtaguyod ng Adhikaing Sambayanan) sa pagtanggap ng mga bagong kasapi nationwide.

Ipadala po lamang ng sinumang nagnanais maging kasapi ang kanyang pangalan at address, sa pamamagitan ng texting sa aming telephone numbers: 0917-984-24-68 at 0919-609-64-89.

Pag natanggap po namin ang inyong pangalan at address, ipapasok po namin ito sa data base ng BATAS Party List, at kasapi na po kaagad ang nagpadala. Walang contributions o anumang bayad na kailangang bayaran para sumapi. Ano ang mga biyaya ng pagiging kasapi ng BATAS Party List? Kasama po dito ang pagkakaroon ng mapapagtanungan sa mga problemang legal o mga katanungan sa batas ng libre. Kasama din ang pagkakaroon ng karapatang makakuha ng libreng tulong abogado sa mga kaso sa hukuman.

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PAALALA: Panoorin po si Atty. Batas Mauricio sa worldwide TV sa Internet, sa "YouTube", "metacafe" at "iGoogle", at pakinggan siya sa kanyang mga programa sa radyo: DXAS sa Zamboanga City, Lunes-Miyerkules-Biyernes, alas 5:30 ng umaga; DZXQ 1350 khz. sa Metro Manila, Lunes hanggang Biyernes, 6 ng umaga; DYKA 801 khz. sa San Jose, Antique (at www.wowantique.com, o www.kiniray-a.com), Lunes hanggang Biyernes, 10 ng umaga; at DYMS Aksiyon Radyo sa Catbalogan City, Samar, Lunes hanggang Biyernes, 11 ng umaga. Abangan din ang kanyang pagbabalik sa telebisyon.

AFTERSHOCKS

White House puzzled about ex-aide's scathing book

BY: ANNABELLE PEDRONIO



Dear readers I took an interest in this report knowing that there are parallels in this country /government and in the US. But unlike, our brother Americans, somehow the truth must out, unlike in this country where the former NEDA Secretary and now CHED Secretary Neri goes to the Supreme Court to escape telling the truth. Apparently, in the US the public interest and the truth are more important. No wonder the Americans are such a great race, and we Filipinos are ?!?

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WASHINGTON - Former White House Press Secretary Scott McClellan writes in a new memoir that President Bush relied on an aggressive "political propaganda campaign" instead of the truth to sell the Iraq war, and that the decision to invade pushed Bush's presidency "terribly off course."

The Bush White House made "a decision to turn away from candor and honesty when those qualities were most needed" — a time when the nation was on the brink of war, McClellan writes in the book entitled "What Happened: Inside the Bush White House and Washington's Culture of Deception."

The way Bush managed the Iraq issue "almost guaranteed that the use of force would become the only feasible option."

"In the permanent campaign era, it was all about manipulating sources of public opinion to the president's advantage," McClellan writes.

White House aides seemed stunned by the scathing tone of the book, and Bush press secretary Dana Perino issued a statement that was highly critical of their former colleague.

"Scott, we now know, is disgruntled about his experience at the White House," she said. "For those of us who fully supported him, before, during and after he was press secretary, we are puzzled. It is sad - this is not the Scott we knew."

Perino said the reports on the book had been described to Bush, and that she did not expect him to comment. "He has more pressing matters than to spend time commenting on books by former staffers," she said.

The book provoked strong reactions from former staffers as well.

"For him to do this now strikes me as self-serving, disingenuous and unprofessional," Fran Townsend, former head of the White House-based counterterrorism office, told CNN.

Said former top aide Karl Rove, in an interview with Fox News Channel, "If he had these moral qualms, he should have spoken up about them. And frankly I don't remember him speaking up about these things. I don't remember a single word."

Richard Clarke, another former counterterrorism adviser who also came out with a book critical of administration policy, said he could understand McClellan's thinking, however. Clarke told CNN that he, too, was harshly criticized, saying that "I can show you the tire tracks."

McClellan called the Iraq war a "serious strategic blunder," a surprisingly harsh assessment from the man who was at that time the loyal public voice of the White House who had followed Bush to Washington from Texas.

"The Iraq war was not necessary," he concludes. "Waging an unnecessary war is a grave mistake."

McClellan admits that some of his own words from the podium in the White House briefing room turned out to be "badly misguided." But he says he was sincere at the time.

"When words I uttered, believing them to be true, were exposed as false, I was constrained by my duties and loyalty to the president and unable to comment," he said. "But I promised reporters and the public that I would someday tell the whole story of what I knew."

The former press secretary — the second of four so far in Bush's presidency — explained his dramatic shift from loyal defender to fierce critic as a difficult act of personal contrition, a way, he wrote, to learn from his mistakes, be true to his Christian faith and become a better person.

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PINUPUNA AT PINAPANSIN

PUBLIC APOLOGY- PROS. TABANGIN Boy Fernandez walang relasyon kay SPO1 Donato Fernandez Mga Abogado dapat na mag drug test

BY: ODELL AQUINO
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PAUMANHIN APO- alam ninyo mga dear readers tayo ay kasalukuyan sinampahan ng reklamong libelo ni kagalang galang na Asst. City Prosecutor Raymond T. Tabangin hingil isang kolum natin na isinulat nuong December 1, 2007. Bagamat sa pang kalahatan ng ating inihahayag sa ating kolum ay kung hindi katanungnan, pag hihingi ng linaw o klaripikasyon ang ating marangal na layunin at hangad ngunit sa istilo ng ating pagsusulat ay hindi natin ma-iaalis na mayroon mga iba na hindi nagugustuhan ang ating istilong may pagka brutal, prangka at banador kaya ang iba ay talagang naiinis at nag hihinanakit at ang iba ay humahantong sa demanda ng libelo. Bagamat never tayong umurong sa asunto ng libelo lalo na at ipinaglalaban ng maraming opisyal at mga kawani ng media to have libel decriminalized ngunit maging criminal or civil offense ang libel ay ang mas nakababahala sa akin ay yuon mayroon tao o mga tao na naiinis sa ating mga nai-sulat at pag-sisiyasat. Kaya parati ko naman sinasabi sa lahat na handang handa ako mag extend ng apology, and a public apology at that sa kung sino man na sa kanilang papanaw ay nasaktan dala ng aking pagsusulat. Sa dakong ito ay nasi kong humingi at mag paabot kay **Asst. City Prosecutor Raymond Tabangin** ng isang **VERY SORRY APO TABANGIN** kayo ay nasaktan sa aking mga na isulat nuon, wala po tayong intensiyon na manira o mag sagawa ng ano man hindi kanais-nais hingil sa inyong reputasyon .Mababasa po ninyo sa page three (3) ng pahayagang ito ang isa pang Public Apology mula sa inyong lingkod.

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DRUG TEST DAPAT NA MANDATORY SA MGA ATORNI- ayon sa isa nating impormante (a very reliable source) itong isang abogado este abogado na ito ay nuon pa man ay nalulong na sa paggamit ng ilagal na droga at isa rin certified drug user ngunit ito ay nuong araw pa mga 5 to 10 years ago at ang akala at ipinaniwala ni Mr. Atorni sa karamihan ay isa ng rehabilitated at reformed itong si Mr. Atorni. Ayon sa ating imporante ay hindi tutuo ang ipinalalabas nitong si Mr. Atorni na siya ay hindi na gumaganit sapagkat ang tutuo ay user pa rin itong si Mr. Atorni at mismong sa kontak ng ating source ay kung minsan ay nag papabili siya ng boshabs. Dagdag pa ng ating impormante, ok lang sana kung hindi practitioner itong si Mr. Atorni at tumatangap pa ng mga kaso at kung minsan ay humaharap pa sa husgado itong si Atorni (sariling mundo) ngunit katawa-tawa at kung minsan ay wala sa sarili at parang tuliro itong si Mr. Atorni . Katunayan ay kailan lamang ay mayroon siyang nagoyo na isang matandang kliente na medyo may kaya na isang retiree na kanyang kinunnan ng 50K na acceptance fee na nauwi rin sa wala at puros imahinasyon lamang ni Mr. Atorni ang siyang pinagsusulat niya sa mga affidavit. Kawawa talaga mga klienteng na-gogoyo mga dear readers kaya dapat siguro na imungkahi ng Integrated Bar of the Philippines na gawin mandatory ang drug testing para sa mga abogado bago sila pagagan na maka pag renew ng kanilang PTR etc...Anong say ninyo IBP Northern Luzon Governor Atty. Abe Estrada paki mungkahi nyo nga ito ng ma protektahan ang integridad ng mga abogado ng hindi dapat maka practice ang mga ganitong klase ng mga abogado. At sino ang atorni na ito, SECRET ! itext ninyo ako at sabihin ko sa inyo. Tawagin na lang natin siya na Atorni

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K a SP01 DONATO FERNANDEZ- Mabuti naman mga dear readers at nakatangap tayo ng klaripikasyon hingil sa nakaraan nating kolum (official statement ng CPP) na ipinadala sa atin ng isang Boy Fernandez. Sinubukan natin alamin kung mayroon relasyon itong si Ka SPO1 Donato Fernandez dahil sa isa rin impormasyon ipinarating ng isa nating imporante na mayroon ka-ugnayan raw itong si Boy kay Donato, ngunit nag padala ng email itong si Ka Boy Fernandez na kanyang nilinaw na wala siyang kamaganak o ka relasyon na isang Ka SPO1 Donato Fernandez na miembro ng BCPO. Sa dakong ito, dala na

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Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
FIRST JUDICIAL REGION
OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL SHERIFF
La Trinidad Benguet
DIAMOND RURAL BANK, INC.,
Mortgagee,
-versus-

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FORECLOSURE CASE NO. 08-Exf-1280
EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGED UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED.
SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION SALE

SPS. MARGARITA FERNANDEZ AND LORETO FERNANDEZ, Represented by Atty.-in-Fact FELICIDAD S. DUYOT,
Mortgagors.

Upon extra-judicial petition for extra judicial foreclosure of real mortgage, under Act 3135 as amended, filed by DIAMOND RURAL BANK INC., with office and postal address at No. 2 Kayang Street Baguio City, herein referred as the

Mortgagee for the satisfaction of the obligation of SPS. MARGARITA FERNANDEZ and LORETO FERNANDEZ, represented by Atty.-in-Fact FELICIDAD S. DUYOT, with residence and postal address at Banangan, Sablan Benguet, herein referred as the Mortgagors, In real estate mortgage duly entered on 27 October 2003

That as of 30 April 2008, the above-named mortgagors, SPS. MARGARITA FERNANDEZ and LORETO FERNANDEZ, Represented by Atty.-in-Fact FELICIDAD S. DUYOT, indebted to the mortgagee in the amount of THREE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TWENTY NINE PESOS AND SIX-

TEEN CENTAVOS, (Php. 317,129.16), Philippine Currency, including interest, penalties, surcharges and Attorney's fee but excluding the cost of other charges arising from this application for foreclosure.

That the undersigned Sheriff announces that he will sell at Public Auction on 16 JUNE 2008 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in front of the Bulwagan ng Katarungan (Benguet Justice Hall), Justice Hill, La Trinidad, Benguet, to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the mortgage real property including all improvements, erected thereon to the following described properties to wit:

KATIBAYAN NG ORIHINAL NA TITULO Bldg.P-6994 REGISTRY OF DEEDS OF BENGUET Lot. No. 5224, Cad-1008-D, Case No. 7

"Beginning at a point marked "1" of Lot No. 5224, Cad-1008-D. Case No. 7, Banangan, Sablan, Benguet, being S., 43-19 E., 4148.55 m. from BLLM No. 1, Cad-1008-D, Sablan Cadastre; thence S., 79-40 W., 59.24 m. to pt 2; N., 62-33 W., 57.12 m. to point 3; N., 27-05 E., 124.27 m. to point 4; S., 22-31 E., 136.79 m. to point 1; to point of beginning. Containing an area of SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TEN (7,510) SQUARE METERS. More or less x x x x x x x x x x.

Prospective bid-

der/buyes may investigate to the title / tax declaration of the property herein above-described encumbrances thereof, if any.

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned as above stated time and date.

La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines, 21st day of MAY 2008.

FOR THE PROVINCIAL SHERIFF EX-OFFICIO OF BENGUET

By: (SGD)
JOSELITO F.SALES
Sheriff IV

May 25, & June 1, 8, 2008

Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
FIRST JUDICIAL REGION
BRANCH 59
Baguio City

Petitioners,
-versus-

LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF BAGUIO CITY,
Respondent,

(Additional family Court of Baguio)

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SPL PRO CASE NO. 312-A
ORDER

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR THE ADOPTION OF MINOR ANGELYN M. SANTOS

The petitioners spouses Remy and Eugenio Santos filed this verified petition praying that after due

notice and hearing, ordering Angelyn M. Santos be declared for all legal intents and purposes, the adopted daughter of the petitioners and that Angelyn M.Santos be freed from all legal obligations with respect to her natural parents and order the Local Civil Registrar of Baguio City to issue new Certificate of Live Birth of Angelyn M. Santos incorporating therein the following facts to wit:

1. fact of legitimation; and
2. the names of

her parents as Eugenio Santos and Remy Santos

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be heard before the Regional Trial Court, Branch 59, Baguio City on September 10, 2008 at 10:30 o'clock in the morning at which place, date and time the petitioners shall prove their case. Any person interested may appear and show cause, if any there be, why the petition should not

be granted.

Let a copy of this order be published at the expenses of the petitioner in the The Junction newspaper of general circulation in the City of Baguio and in Benguet Province once a week for (3) consecutive weeks.

The petitioners are directed to make an appointment with the Court Social Worker for the purpose of conducting the required case study on the minor Angelyn M. Santos. The Court Social

Worker is required to submit to the court the case study not later than September 5, 2008.

SO ORDERED

DONE IN CHAMBERS, this 15th day of May, 2008 at Baguio City, Philippines.

By: (SGD)
ILUMINADA P. CABATO
Judge

May 24, 30 & June 7, 2008

NOTICE OF EXTRA JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

An Extra Judicial Settlement of Estate was entered into this 21st day of May 2008 at Baguio City by and between the heirs of the deceased PHOEBE FLORESCA Y MENDOZA who died intestate on September 26, 2003 at Baguio City. Entered into the Notarial Registry of Atty. Nicasio Aliping on the 21st day of May 2008 with Doc. No. 500; Page No. 101; Book No. 500; Series of 2008.

May 31, & June 7, 14, 2008

PACDAY QUINIO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Km. 4 Asin Road, Baguio City
Brigada Eskwela
June 2-7 2008

Parents, Local business, socio-civic groups, NGO's, community members and interested private individuals/parties are encourage to actively participate in this worthwhile understanding.

Fair and aquare..

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Fifth priority, are for the colorums operating in Baguio City who are likewise applying for legalization and conversion to GT Express Service. There are some 300 of these vans operating in the city without franchises including those that recently cropped up and are applying for simultaneous legalization and conver-

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sion to GT Express Service.

The point is these vans are already here. Much have been invested on these vans to service the commuting public, as well. It may not now be fair to simply disallow them just because they have been illegally operating. In the first place, their illegal operations were also

the making of the LTFRB which tolerated them.

So I say: Roll on the GT Express Service, but in doing so, the interest and convenience of the residents of Baguio City or BLIST should always be the paramount consideration. They should not be made to suffer from the pernicious effects of traffic congestion and pollution of the air, at all costs and considerations.

Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT, BRANCH 9 (FAMILY COURT FOR BENGUET) FIRST JUDICIAL REGION
La Trinidad Benguet

IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTION OF MINOR CHRISTOPHER L. KIANG,

SPOUSES DENNIS CLAY SIMONSON and MARIE CRIS K I A N G SIMONSON,
Petitioners.

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SPECIAL PROCEEDING CASE 08-A-0935

ORDER

P e t i t i o n e r spouses Dennis Clay Simonson and Maria Cris Kiang Simonson, American Citizen and Filipino citizen respectively and resident of Betag La Trinidad, Benguet, through counsel filed this verified petition for Adoption praying that after due notice, publication and hearing, the subject of adoption minor CHRISTOPHER L. KIANG be declared free from all obligations with respect to his parents and vice versa, be declared for all legal intents and purposes as the adopted child of petitioners and for them to acquire the reciprocal rights and obligations arising from parents-child relationship, including the right of said child to use the surname of petitioners, henceforth, he will be known as CHRISTOPHER K. SIMONSON and direct the Local Civil Registrar of La Trinidad, Benguet to effect said adoption in his Certificate of Live Birth.

Considering that a Child and Home Study Report of Court Social Worker is an essential requisite in adoption cases, said report should be submitted to the Court before the initial hearing on November 19, 2008 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning.

WHEREFORE, the Court Social Worker, Ms. Jacqueline Dontogan is directed to conduct a Home and Child Study Report in this case, incorporating therein her recommendation and to submit the same to the Court, furnishing a copy thereof to the trial prosecutor deputized to represent the State.

The Petitioners are directed to meet with the said Social Worker, for purposes of the Home and Child Study Report.

Let this Order be published at the expense of the petitioners in the JUNCTION, a newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City and Benguet Province, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, the first publication to be made not later than May 18, 2008. All persons interested may come to the Court and show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted.

Furnish copies hereof together with a copy of the petition and its annexes to the Office of the Solicitor General; the Provincial Prosecutor of Benguet; the Local Civil Registrar of La Trinidad Benguet; the Court Social Worker; the Junction; the petitioner and counsel.

SO ORDERED.

This 13th day of May 2008 at La Trinidad, Benguet.

By: (SGD) FRANCIS A. BULIYAT Sr.
Presiding Judge

May 17, 24, & 31, 2008

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City
WASHINGTON PARAN
Applicant
Case No. 93-CAR-178
NOTICE OF HEARING
This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA - BALENBEN - IRISAN and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.
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WITNESS, the Honorable FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 25th day of May 2008.
(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.
Hearing Officer

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City
NORMA C. PADILLA
Applicant
Case No. 96-01-1502
NOTICE OF HEARING
This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA - BROOKSIDE and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.
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Hearing Officer

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City
JOHN KIS-ING
Applicant
Case No. 88-01-2464
NOTICE OF HEARING
This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA - ACOP (TUBLAY) and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.
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(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.
Hearing Officer

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City
ERNANI PIS-OY
Applicant
Case No. 2004-BAG-CAR-1402
NOTICE OF HEARING
This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a TAXI Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: BAGUIO CITY TO ANY POINT IN CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.
Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on June 10, 2008 at 9:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.
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(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.
Hearing Officer

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City
ALEX T. BADUES
Applicant
Case No. 2000-01-1852
NOTICE OF HEARING
This is an application for the approval of the Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: BAGUIO CITY-PAGAL (LA TRINIDAD) and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.
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WITNESS, the Honorable FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 05th day of May 2008.
(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.
Hearing Officer

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City
AGUSTINA BURCH -Vendor
SARAH B. BARROGA -Vendee
Applicant
Case No. 90-CAR-260/2008-CAR-314
NOTICE OF HEARING
This is an application for Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: BAGUIO CITY - LOWER CRUZ-SAMOYAO-PERILALAPANG PROPER and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.
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(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.
Hearing Officer

Ban use....**..... from page 1**

it may also be claimed by innocent stall tenders and owners that they just have simply installed these deceiving lights without malicious intent," Farinas noted.

He said this act is a form of deceit that should be considered as unfair trade practice and needs to be checked.

"This Ordinance intends to put a check to and prevent such sinister practices from persisting once and for all," he said.

Under the proposed measure, "only fluorescent lighting that allays white light onto fresh produce such as, but not limited to, meats, fishes, fruits, vegetables and the like, and other products be used by all stall tenders and owners in the Baguio City Public Market, all public and private markets in the barangays, and all other stores, malls, and establishments selling said kinds of produce and products."

It mandates the Baguio City Market Superintendent, the City Veterinary Office, and other line agencies exercising proper jurisdiction over stores, malls, and establishments selling said kinds of produce and products to conduct an inspection of the stalls, stores and/or outlets to monitor their compliance with the measure.

As proposed, violators will be penalized with fines ranging from P500 to P2,000 and revocation of permit. The measure was approved on second reading and for publication. /aileen p. refuerzo

Editorial....**.... from page 4**

"We must stop the leakage; put an end to drift, find a direction and steer. Only thus can we solve what is perhaps our most critical problem: the restoration of hope."

How? This is a country where "for all the trappings of a national government, we are not far from the era of the barangay. We conduct our affairs pretty much in the manner of Lapu-Lapu and Humabon. (Today's) congressman who moves around with his bodyguards is not much different from the datu with his retainers," he noted.

"We can only go back to basic ideas: (1) Build communities; (2) Link communities with common goals; and (3) Recapture the bureaucracy."

His homily at President Manuel Roxas' requiem mass seems written with today's power seekers in mind. "Posthumous deification is often accorded to those who die in the possession of public power. This is the tawdry privilege of the despot," he said.

But "civil authority is not personal but public...It belongs to the people who may entrust it to whomsoever they freely choose. (And he) may not claim thereby the "divinity that doth hedge a king." He is held accountable always for the authority he holds in trust. And when his mandate is revoked, he must be willing....to return, as a private citizen, to the ranks from which he came.

"Let him not expect any reward but the consciousness of having served his people

and his God. For often, he will get no reward but this. Austere are the laurels of the republic."

So, will it be possible for citizens to root out injustices embedded into social structures and become free? "Doubtless, we are naïve," he replied. "We may be attempting the impossible. We don't know. All we know is that we must attempt it."/J.L. Mercado

Diretsahan..**.... from page 4**

pangunguna ni "Presidential Son" at Congressman Mikey Arroyo.

Nakatuwa naman na sa pagsisimula pa lng ng pagdinig ay nagkainitan na itong si Congressman Guingona at Congressman Villafuerte.. He!he! mga hay blad talaga itong dalawang kumag!

Ang tanong, bakit kaya masyado ang interes ni Tatay Garcia sa Meralco? Hindi kaya may "basbas" at pakana lamang ito ng palasyo! Kung hindi! Aba pagkakataon na nila para ipakita na ang kapakanan ng madlang pinoy ang kanilang prayoridad! Di ba mga suki? KURYENTEHIH NYU NA!

ooOoo

Kaugnay nito, dahil umano sa gulong nangyayari sa Meralco, bumagsak daw ng todo ang "stock Market" na nagbunsod para ibenta ng karamihang "stockholders" ng Meralco ang kanilang "share" sa napakababang halaga. Para raw silang nagbebenta ng damit sa "wagwagan"!

ooOoo

Ayon sa aking mga kaibigan, hindi raw nakakapagtaka na ang GSIS ay nakikisawsaw sa usapin ng Meralco. Uso naman daw sa opisina ng ating gobyerno ang nag ober da bakod katulad ng nangyari sa ZTE kunsaan si Dating Benjamin Abalos ng Comelec ay inakusahang nakisawsaw sa pagbuo ng kontrata sa ZTE, Comelec, nakikialam sa kontrata ng "Broadband" ang layo yata... talagang nakakapagtaka at nakaka buwisheeeet!!

ooOoo

SHOOTOUT o RUB-OUT? Ito ngayon mga suki ang isang isyu na dapat subaybayan. Ang sabi ng ating kapulisan ay nagkaroon daw ng di maiwasang SHOOTOUT ng manlaban ang mga aarestuhin sanang suspek sa nangyaring RCBC ROBBERY! Na nagresulta sa pagkamatay ng mga ito!

Taliwas naman ito sa ipinahayag ni Kumisyoner Leila De Lima ng Commission on Human Rights. Ayon sa kanya, base raw sa posisyon ng mga nabaril, posisyon o trajekta ng kanilang mga sugat at pahayag ng mga testigo ay posible umanong "rub-out" ang nagyari at hindi "shootout"!

Kung ang pagbabasehan ay ang pisikal na ebidensya, mas nakalalamang ang report ng CHR, pero bakit kaya kinastigo ni Apo Secretary RAUL GONZALEZ ng DOJ si Kumisyoner DE LIMA dahil lamang sa pagbigay pahayag nito sa kinalabasan ng inisyal na imbestigasyon? Hindi kaya may mga "makapangyarihan" na nag-uudyok kay Apo Gonzalez para maitago at mapagtakpan ang katotohanan sa publiko? Nagtatanong

lang naman po! Peryod!

ooOoo

NAKABABAHALA AT DAPAT BANTAYAN ng mga taga Baguio ang plano ng GSIS at SM na magpatayo ng CONDOTEL (Hotel at Condominium) sa bakanteng lote na malapit sa Baguio Convention Center at Supreme Court Compound.

Maraming puno ng pino ang mawawala kapag natuloy ang proyektong ito, kaya't dapat lamang na huwag tutulog-tulog ang mga lokal na opisyal sa isyung ito. Ganoon din sa lokal na pamunuan ng DENR. Dapat gawin nila ang nararapat na hakbangin para mapigilan ito alang-alang sa ating kalikasan!

"hindi legalidad o anumang aspetong "Pang development" kuno ang pinag-uusapan dito kundi ang kapakanan ng siyudad at ang mga mamamayan: konsensya ang dapat na mamayani at hindi kislap ng salapi, tama ba ako Apo Kongresman Morris Domogan, Apo Meyor Peter Bautista? At mga magagaling na Konsehales? TUTULAN!!

OoOoo

TULUYAN NG UMISKYERDA ang "bingalan" (binguhan at sugalan) sa Otek St. ng Rizal Monument. Malinis na ang lote ng akin itong pasyalan. Magkano kaya ang nalugi sa opereytor nito? "Nabawi" kaya nito ang halagang ipinamudmod sa mga timawang alagad ng mga misteryo? Kawawang opereytor, wala sigurong nagsabi sa kanya na lahat ng mga nauna sa kanya sa lugar ay naipasasara... ang nakapagtataka, ay kung paano siya "nabilog" ng mga taong "kumurakot" sa kanya ng malaking datung? Lalo na ang 3 big eggs sa City Hall... Tsk! Tsk! Tsk! AMINIIN!!

ooOoo

Mukhang hindi na yata ligtas ang sinuman na dumaan sa Session Road lalo na sa alanganing oras ng gabi. At hindi lamang sa Session Road, kundi maging sa Mabini St, Assumption Rd, Otek Cariño Zt, at Upper Magsaysay.

Sa Session Rd ay pinamumugaran na yata ng ibang grupo ng mga gang at mga masasamang karakter, andyan ang mga fraternities, mandurukot at isnatsers, callboys at pati na rin ang mga lasing na naggagaling sa mga inuman mula sa Upper Mabini St. Assumption Road, Maharlika Bldg at Upper Session, kunsaan kinukursunadahan ang bawat makursunadahan na dumadaan.

Kamakailan ay may "sinumpak" sa ibaba ng Maharlika mga alas 2 ng madaling araw. Ayon sa mga nakasaksi,.. kaswal pa raw na naglakad at umupo sa harapan ng dating Pines Theater ang dalawang suspek at makalipas ng ilang minuto, nagkaroon naman ng rambolan kunsaan sangkot diumano ang dalawang unipormadong Security Guards na walang habas na namalo sa mga kalaban, at take note na wala man lang daw pulis na Makita o rumesponde man lamang! Magtanong kayo sa sinumang Muslim vendor sa Lower Session Road at sasabihing "wala ang mga pulis, saka lang sila darating kung wala na ang gulo"! Hanep, at asan kaya ang mga pulis natin sa mga oras na ganito?.. natutulog kaya o nagtatago? Pakisagot nga po mga Bos Tsip Engelbert Soriano at Moises Guevarra? Ano ba talaga mga Ser?

Pinupuna at pinapansin..**.... from page 7**

rin ng nasabing paglililaw ay muli nating ilalabas ang isa pang email na finorward nitong si Boy Fernandez na nag rere-request na kung maari ay ating i-publish muli ang sumusunod. Sa susunod na kolum ko ay marahil ang statement mula sa Malacanang o sa Military o sa PNP ang ating ihahayag in the interest of fairness and balanced information dissemination: AFP bounty scheme to lead to more fake reports, false raids, more atrocities—CPP

The Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP) today denounced the bounty scheme now being resorted to by the high command of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) as a pretext for more corruption and brutalities. The bounty scheme is now officially an incentive to military units for “successes” in military operations against the armed revolutionary movement.

Following the recent installation of Lt. Gen. Alexander Yano as the 38th AFP Chief of Staff, his underling, Lt. Gen. Pedro Ike Inserto, announced that “the President will reward our soldiers for every success in defeating the communist rebels.” As much as P300,000 is now being offered to military units “for taking down a guerrilla base within a given target period.” Different sums of money are also being offered for “capturing top communist guerrilla leaders,” “hitting their targets” and “taking rifles from captured or slain rebels.”

Calling the bounty scheme a desperate act, CPP spokesperson Gregorio “Ka Roger” Rosal said it only makes obvious the AFP’s failure to stem the rising tide of the revolutionary movement. “This scheme is only bound to produce more fake reports, false raids and more atrocities against innocent civilians,” said Rosal.

He added that there is nothing new in the now AFP’s cash incentive scheme except that it is now being publicized and openly admitted. “Ever since, AFP field commanders, in collusion with their high command and underlings, have regularly and blatantly been fabricating reports about operations supposedly conducted and victories allegedly gained against the New People’s Army (NPA), just to collect their supposed expenses for operations that never took place.”

“Worse, they also falsely report as ‘elimination’ or ‘neutralization’ of ‘rebels’ their massacres and illegal arrests of activists in the legal arena, suspected supporters of the revolutionary movement, and innocent civilians. They force ordinary barrio folk to ‘surrender,’ make spurious reports about ‘surrendered’ or ‘captured’ firearms, and then pocket their collections from Rebel Returnee Funds. A lot of reports about dismantling of ‘rebel bases’ were in reality wanton attacks and burning down of clusters of farmers’ homes and peasants’ working camps in the field,” Rosal said.

The CPP spokesperson recalled, for

instance, the Philippine Army 19th IB’s dawn massacre of nine unarmed peasants in Palo town, Leyte in November 2005. The government troopers indiscriminately fired upon 40 peasants who were resting in a cluster of makeshift work camps in the middle of their rice fields which they were collectively tending in bayanihan style. The fascist troops kept firing wantonly at the huts and even intentionally finished off the wounded, and later reported the incident as a “successful military operation against NPA rebels.”

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Fastrack....**.... from page 5**

this kind of below the belt tricks; we could have, but we never did, after all, buking din naman, hindi naman pulido ang pagkakagawa, bakit ginawa pa!!!

With all due respect dear readers, allow me to digress from the issue at hand for a while. I have in the past, been a party to the serving of warrants, and in all instances, never was I involved in this kind of pre-mature maneuver of service of a warrant. In fact, I even make it a point to request whoever is the warrant officer if possible to serve it only from Mondays to Thursdays and during office hours only, in order to allow and give chance to the accused to post bail, unless one has the intent to cause unnecessary hassle to the accused. After all, the purpose and intent of a warrant of arrest is for the court to take jurisdiction over the accused and for the accused to avail of his temporary right for liberty and so that the trial of the case may ensue. The intent and purpose of a warrant is not to humiliate and/or to cause shame to the accused!

At any rate, my request to the person(s) whose responsibility it is in the Pros Office is to see to it that the respondents are informed accordingly. Please do your job accordingly and do not allow yourselves to be a party to any of this crap. You are giving your office a needless negative image. This is definitely not an oversight on your part, this is certainly not a mistake, two (2) mistakes of this nature are one too many as far as I’m concerned. PLEASE, let’s play according to the rules.

At this point, I and my partner Ms. Dawang wish to thank the Honorable City Pros. Alfredo Centeno who immediately endorsed the Motion To Suspend Proceedings and To Recall Warrant of Arrest and likewise to the Honorable Presiding Judge of the MTC 1 the Honorable Roberto Mabalot who likewise immediately issued an order recalling the warrant.

As a final note to the nincompoop(s) who were involved in this stunt, remember the saying- *People who live in glass houses should not throw stones.*

Aftershocks....**.... from page 7**

“I fell far short of living up to the kind of public servant I wanted to be,” McClellan writes. He also blames the media whose questions he fielded, calling them “complicit enablers” in the White House campaign to manipulate public opinion toward the need for war. McClellan said Bush loyalists will no doubt continue to think the administration’s decisions have been correct and its unpopularity undeserved. “I’ve become genuinely convinced otherwise,” he said.

The book is scheduled to go on sale June 1. Quotes from the book were first reported Tuesday night by the Web site Politico, which said it found McClellan’s memoir on sale early at a bookstore. McClellan draws a portrait of Bush as possessing “personal charm, wit and enormous political skill.” He said Bush’s record as Texas governor and “disarming personality” inspired him to follow him and that his administration early on possessed “seeds of greatness.”

But, McClellan said, Bush’s unwillingness to admit mistakes and belief in his own spin contributed to turning the president into “not quite the leader I once imagined him to be.” He faults Bush for a “lack of inquisitiveness” and “a degree of self-deception that may be psychologically necessary to justify the tactics needed to win the political game.” Bush “convinces himself to believe what suits his needs at the moment,” McClellan writes./Associated Press

Nr 3 Most wanted arrested by police

Most of the wanted persons have evaded arrest for sometime but because of the intensified operations conducted by PNP personnel, many of them have been arrested. On or about 7:30 AM of May 26, 2008, joint elements of La Trinidad MPS and 1603rd PPMG, Benguet PPO arrested Charwin SALCHA y Pacio, 20 yrs old, single, resident and native of Besil, Shilan, La Trinidad, Benguet and listed Nr 3 TMWP for the second quarter municipalwide by virtue of Warrant of Arrest issued by Hon Judge Marybelle Demot-Mariñas, Presiding Judge of RTC Br 8, La Trinidad, Benguet under CC Nr 08-CR-7243 for the crime of robbery with violence against or intimidation of persons. Said Wanted Person was arrested at his residence but was temporarily released after he posted bail.

On May 26, 2008 at about 10:00 AM at La Trinidad Vegetable Trading Post, Km 5, La Trinidad, Benguet, elements of 1603rd PPMG, Benguet PPO arrested Elena Bitaga y Comedis, 18 years old, single and a resident of Shamolog, Pico, La Trinidad, Benguet. The arrest was made by virtue of a Warrant of Arrest for Slight Physical Injuries issued by Hon Delilah Gonzales-Munoz, Presiding Judge of MTC, La Trinidad, Benguet.

Likewise, on May 25, 2008 at about 11:00 AM at JID Billiard Hall located at Kayang St. , Baguio City, elements of the Baguio City Police Office arrested Raymundo Ferrer, 43 years old, married and a resident of Purok 1, Irisan, Baguio City . The arrest was made by virtue of a Warrant of Arrest for Slight Physical Injuries in relation to RA 9262 issued by Hon Illuminada Cabato, Presiding Judge of RTC, Branch 59, Baguio City.

Such accomplishments have given the organization an edge against crime. The safety and security of everybody is the primary concern of the police. It is imperative that peace and order be maintained at all times./Elizabeth Cedo-PRO-COR

AOs issued for rd closure, expt'l traffic scheme for city roads on June 2

BAGUIO CITY—As per Administrative Order 78 issued by Mayor Reinaldo Bautista, Jr., Outlook Drive along Kennon road shall be temporarily closed for rehabilitation.

As to the order issued last week, this is to avoid accident to workers/laborer and commuters and to avoid heavy traffic build-up while development is going on.

The AO also cited several provisions of the local government code as its basis, at the same time designating the Traffic Management Group (TMG) of the Baguio City Police Office (BCPO) to en-

force the implementation of the new traffic scheme. The traffic body shall also coordinate with the barangays concerned for rerouting and safety measures.

AO 76 on the other hand, also issued by the city mayor last week, contains the experimental traffic scheme from Legarda road junction to Bakakeng road junction, along the stretch of Marcos highway.

The scheme was due to observed traffic congestion during peak hours,

especially for the lanes leading towards the city proper.

Thus, no parking shall be allowed along Marcos highway from Legarda road junction to Bakakeng road junction; and no left turn for vehicles shall be enforced at Marcos Highway-North Sto. Tomas junction during peak hours in the morning from 6:30 to 8:30 AM, and from 5 to 7PM.

The general public thus is informed, that the AO takes effect June 2, until July 2. Signages, pavement markings and concrete barriers are properly installed by then. Personnel from the TMG-BCPO shall be present to direct the flow of traffic and thoroughly implement the scheme./juliegfianza

THE WEEKEND JUNCTION



La Trinidad, Benguet --A daunting task on an chilly early morning for this woman Benguet vegetable grower tending her lettuce at the vast vegetable farms along the valley here, is a classic example of Filipinos pliant behaviour towards adversities including typhoons that ravaged vegetable farms here. But still, life has to continue even after the storm.-Ace Alegre

Tramline system mulled in city

BAGUIO CITY—Mayor Reinaldo Bautista Jr. Monday bared plans for the installation of an electric-powered tramline transport system in the city.

The mayor said he has consulted with Department of Public Works and Highways Secretary Mariano Alquiza on the specifications and possible assistance in funding the said proposed project which the mayor said was being revived as a possible solution to the nagging traffic problem and the pollution caused by the heavy volume of vehicles traversing the city's central business district. It was also seen as another potential tourist come-on for the city.

Bautista said plans are afoot for two circumferential networks, the first to cover Session Road and Harrison Road. The second one will cover the route from Upper Session Road to South Drive, Baguio Country Club, Camp John Hay, Pacdal, BG, Teachers Camp and vice versa.

The project is rather ambitious but the city will do its best to implement the project based on its merits, the mayor vowed.

But first, extensive studies will be made on all aspects of the project which includes the review of the original European Union master plan for incorporation in the project.

The mayor said the city hopes to fund the project through pooled resources and possibly through grants from both local and foreign sources./aileen p. refuerzo

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