Republic of the Philippines Province of Cagayan TUGUEGARAO CITY

EIGHTH CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

February 26, 2025

Submitted by:

COMMITEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES (Lead) AND COMMITTEE ON RULES, LAWS & ETHICS AND COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND WAYS AND MEANS

PRESENT:

HON, GILBERT S. LABANG

HON. MARC ALDOOUS C. BACCAY

HON. JUDE T. BAYONA

HON. ARNEL T. ARUGAY

- Chair (Social Services)

- Chair (Rules) & Member (Appropriations) -via zoom

- Chair (Appropriations) & Vice Chair (Rules)

- Vice Chair (Social Services)

and Member (Rules & Appropriations)-via zoom

HON. RESTITUTO C. RAMIREZ - Member (Social Services) - via zoom

HON. IMOGEN CLAIRE M. CALLANGAN - Member (Social Services & Appropriations) -via zoom

CITY OFFICIALS/EMPLOYEES PRESENT:

MR. MELVIN T. PEREZ

- CSWDO Officer

FOR THE PRESIDING OFFICER:

The joint committees met and deliberated on the referral:

COMMITTEE REPORT NO.71-2025

SUBJECT:

INDORSEMENT OF THE CITY MAYOR, HON. MAILA ROSARIO S. TING-QUE, ON THE DRAFT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TUGUEGARAO CITY GOVERNMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT RELATIVE TO THE SOCIAL PENSION PROGRAM, CERTIFIED URGENT.

FINDINGS:

- 1. The DSWD is the primary government agency mandated to develop, administer and implement comprehensive social welfare and protection programs and poverty-reduction solutions designed to uplift the living conditions and empower the poor, vulnerable and disadvantaged children, youth, women, older persons, persons with disabilities, families or persons in crisis or at-risk, and communities needing assistance through programs and services implementation with or through Local Government Units (LGUs), People's Organizations (POs), Government Organizations (GOs) and other members of civic society.
- 2. Chapter II, Section 17 (b) (2) (iv) Local Government Code of the Philippines (Republic Act No. 7160) mandated the Municipality/City to provide Social Welfare Services which include programs and projects on child and youth welfare, family and community welfare, women's welfare, welfare of the elderly and disabled persons; community based rehabilitation programs for vagrants, beggars, street children, scavengers, juvenile delinquents, and victims of drug abuse; livelihood and other pro-poor projects; nutrition services; and family planning services.

- 3. Section 2(h)(1) of Republic Act No. 11916 or the "An Act Increasing the Social Pension of Indigent Senior Citizens and Appropriating funds Therefore, Amending for the Purpose Republic Act No. 7432", indigent senior citizens shall be entitled to a monthly stipend amounting to not less than One Thousand Pesos (Php 1,000.00) to augment the daily subsistence and other medical needs of senior citizens.
- 4. DSWD as the lead agency in social welfare and development, has implemented the Social Pension for Indigent Senior Citizens (SPISC) since 2011 through DSWD Field Offices (FOs) in all regions.

RECOMMENDATION:

Finding the Memorandum of Understanding between the Tuguegarao City Government and the Department of Social Welfare and Development relative to the Social Pension Program for Indigent Senior Citizens to be in order, meritorious and beneficial to the city government and its constituents particularly the indigent Senior Citizens, the committees favorably recommend for its approval.

The Committees further recommend for the passage of a Resolution Granting Authority to the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, to sign for and on behalf of the Tuguegarao City Government the said Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD).

Respectfully submitted:

HON. GILBERT S. LABANG

Chair, Committee on Social Services

HON. MARC ALDOUS C. BACCAY Chair, Committee on Rules, Laws and Ethics

and Member, Appropriations

HON. JUDE T. BAYONA

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Member, Committee on Social Services

HON. IMOGEN CLAIRE M. CALLANGAN

Member, Committee on Social Services and Member, Appropriations

CITY RESOLUTION NO. -09-2025

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE TUGUEGARAO CITY GOVERNMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT RELATIVE TO THE SOCIAL PENSION FOR INDIGENT SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR, HON. MAILA ROSARIO S. TING-QUE, TO SIGN FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE TUGUEGARAO CITY GOVERNMENT THE SAID MOU

WHEREAS, Chapter II, Section 17 (b) (2) (iv) Local Government Code of the Philippines (Republic Act No. 7160) mandated the Municipality/City to provide Social Welfare Services which include programs and projects on child and youth welfare, family and community welfare, women's welfare, welfare of the elderly and disabled persons; community based rehabilitation programs for vagrants, beggars, street children, scavengers, juvenile delinquents, and victims of drug abuse; livelihood and other pro-poor projects; nutrition services; and family planning services;

WHEREAS, Section 2(h)(1) of Republic Act No. 11916 or the "An Act Increasing the Social Pension of Indigent Senior Citizens and Appropriating funds Therefore, Amending for the Purpose Republic Act No. 7432", indigent senior citizens shall be entitled to a monthly stipend amounting to not less than One Thousand Pesos (Php 1,000.00) to augment the daily subsistence and other medical needs of senior citizens;

WHEREAS, the DSWD is the primary government agency mandated to develop, administer and implement comprehensive social welfare and protection programs and poverty-reduction solutions designed to uplift the living conditions and empower the poor, vulnerable and disadvantaged children, youth, women, older persons, persons with disabilities, families or persons in crisis or at-risk, and communities needing assistance through programs and services implementation with or through Local Government Units (LGUs), People's Organizations (POs), Government Organizations (GOs) and other members of civic society.;

WHEREAS, the DSWD as the lead agency in social welfare and development, has implemented the Social Pension for Indigent Senior Citizens (SPISC) since 2011 through DSWD Field Offices (FOs) in all regions;

WHEREAS, the Tuguegarao City Government recognizes the importance of supporting its indigent senior citizens through this program and seeks to strengthen its collaboration with the DSWD for the effective and efficient implementation of the social pension distribution;

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Tuguegarao City Government and the DSWD establishes the terms of partnership, roles, and responsibilities to ensure the successful implementation of the Social Pension for Indigent Senior Citizen Program within the city;

WHEREAS, there is a need to authorize the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, to sign the MOU on behalf of the Tuguegarao City Government to formalize and facilitate the implementation of the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVE, as it is hereby RESOLVED, to approve Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) between the Tuguegarao City Government and the Department of Social Welfare and Development relative to the Social Pension for Indigent Senior Citizen Program and Authorizing the City Mayor, Hon. Maila Rosario S. Ting-Que, to Sign for and On Behalf of the Tuguegarao City Government the said MOU.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to furnish a copy of this Resolution to Department of Social Welfare and Development and other concerned offices for information and appropriate action.