

GUAHAN ANCESTRAL LANDS COMMISSION

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Honorable Vicente (Ben) C. Pangelinan Chairperson, Committee on Appropriations, Taxation, Banking, Insurance, Retirement and Lands Mina Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan 324 W. Soledad Avenue, Suite 101 Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Senator Pangelinan:

The Guahan Ancestral Lands Commission (GALC) is always supportive with legislation that would resolve or assist original landowner in their struggle for redress. However, the passage of Bill 278 now Public Law 30-158 and the hundred and eight (180) days mandated for deed conveyance would require needed funding that our agency does not have in the Fiscal Year 2010 appropriations and proposed Fiscal Year 2011 budget.

We therefore plead with the Liheslaturan Guahan for assistance specifically with needed additional personnel, supplies and services. (Please refer to attached request list)

Your assistance and favorable response to this request is greatly appreciated.

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EDDIE L.G. BÉNAVENTE

Executive Director

Attachment

30-10-0629

Office of the Speaker judith T, Won Pat, Ed. D.

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GUAHAN ANCESTRAL LANDS COMMISSION (GALC) Supplemental Budget Request Supplies/Services needed pursuant to P.L. 30-158

INTAKE / RESEARCH / CLAIMS DIVISION

	PERSONNEL SERVICES	QUANITITY	ESTIMATED COST
	Land Agent I (Entry Level, Fulltime, Permanent)	1	28,000.00
	Land Agent I (Entry Level, Fulltime, Limited Term)	1	14,000.00
	OPERATIONS		
	Supplies and Materials		
	File Folders (Legal Size)	100	500.00
	-Pressboard folders w/dividers and fasteners		
	Copier Paper (White, 8.5"x11")	4	500.00
	Ink Cartridges for Printers	4	500.00
	Contractual Services		
	Advertisements in Print Media		20,000.00
	-Publication of Notices for Title Hearings, Notice		20,000.00
	of Awards and Deed Signings		
	Equipment		
	Desktop Computers	2	6,000.00
	Laptop	1	2,500.00
	External Hard Drives	2	1,000.00
	Auto Feed Scanner	1	500.00
	Digital Recording devices	1	2,500.00
	-to include software and supplies	l	2,300.00
	Filing Cabinets (Legal Size, 4 drawer, U.S. made)	8	5,000.00
	Storage Cabinet (2-door w/lock)	2	500.00
	Standing Fans	1	50.00
	Easel (portable)	2	100.00
	Laser (portable)	2	100.00
	Drug Testing	2	200.00
	UTILITIES		
en e	Upgraded Telephone System	1	2,000.00
	-to include additional units and addt'l phone number		
		TOTAL	83,850.00

DEPARTMENT OF LAND MANAGEMENT

- To develop Subdivision Master Plan for both Parcels FAA and Andy South

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed. D.

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Resolution No. 2010-002 04/20/2010



RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFERS OF PROPERTIES OUT OF THE GUAHAN ANCESTRAL LANDS COMMISSION (GALC) LAND BANK TRUST INVENTORY WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE GUAHAN ANCESTRAL LANDS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WHO ARE ALSO THE TRUSTEES OF THE LAND BANK TRUST.

WHEREAS, the Guahan Ancestral Lands Commission (GALC) was created by Public Law 25-45 on the 9th of June, 1999; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 25-45 intended "to pursue just remedies to redress the harm done to landowners as individuals and to Guam as a whole, resulting from the taking of Guamanian lands by the United States on or after January 1, 1930."; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 25-45 also created the "Land Bank Trust". And former Spanish crown lands and other non-ancestral lands were transferred into the Land Bank Trust; and

WHEREAS, the non-ancestral properties were supposed to be safeguarded "in perpetuity" for the benefit of the beneficiaries of the Land Bank Trust; and

WHEREAS, there were two classes of landowners identified:

- 1) Those whose lands have been declared excess by the Federal Government, and
- 2) Those whose lands have *not* been declared excess and may or may not likely be declared excess by the United States in the future; and

WHEREAS, it was the intent of *i Liheslaturan Guåhan* to "address the requirements of both classes by enactment of this law"; and

WHEREAS, Lot No. 10155-6 totaling **6,319± Sq. M.** was transferred out of the Land Bank Trust on August 31, 2004 for the Guam Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Lot No. 10155-7 totaling **4,834± Sq. M.** was transferred out of the Land Bank Trust on August 31, 2004 for the Guam Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Lot No. 10155-5 R/W totaling **3,011± Sq. M.** was transferred out of the Land Bank Trust on August 31, 2004 for an easement; and

WHEREAS, Apra Harbor parcel no. 2 totaling $119,765.97 \pm Sq.$ M. was transferred out of the Land Bank Trust to the Department of Agriculture by Executive Order No. 2006-14 on June 2, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Lot No. 10155-1 totaling **27,938.68± Sq. M.** was set aside by Public Law 30-92 on February 8, 2010 for the Farmers' Cooperative Association of Guam, a non-profit, for \$1.00 per annum; and

FURTHERMORE, the Farmers' Co-op had already been given use of **Lot 10063-PORTION-REMPORTION1** in Dededo by the Chamorro Land Trust Commission (CLTC) on December 31, 2008; and



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FURTHERMORE, the mayor of Dededo had expressed in public testimony, a plan to relocate the Dededo flea market activity to this lot (Lot No. 10155-1) without any revenue stream to the GALC Land Bank Trust (see GCA21, Chapter 68, §68975 (g)); and

FURTHERMORE, the revenue stream from the Farmers' Co-op described in GCA21, Chapter 68, §68975 (h) has not been quantified and does not reflect "highest and best use" for the GALC Land Bank Trust; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned parcels of property total one hundred sixty one thousand eight hundred sixty nine square meters (**161,869**± **Sq. M.**) that is no longer under control of the Land Bank Trust; and

WHEREAS, there is a lobby to transfer Lot "Anderson South" (also known as Marbo Base Command "C") totaling **1,598,877± Sq. M.** out of the control of the Land Bank Trust; and

WHEREAS, there is a lobby to transfer Lot "Former FAA Housing" totaling $2,023,500 \pm Sq. M.$ out of the control of the Land Bank Trust; and

WHEREAS, further reduction of the Land Bank Trust will negatively affect the mission of the GALC and its responsibility to the beneficiaries of the Trust.

NOW, THEREFORE, the GUAHAN ANCESTRAL LANDS COMMISSION has found it necessary to express great concern regarding the depletion of Land Bank Trust properties. The GALC requests *i Liheslatura Guahan* to support the GALC in stopping the further depletion of the Land Bank Trust properties so it may continue its mission towards extinguishing ancestral land claims; and bring closure to the generations of our people who have suffered from the loss of their ancestral lands.

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