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The Honorable Ted S. Nelson Acting Speaker Twenty-Third Guam Legislature Guam Legislature Temporary Building 155 Hesler Street Agana, Guam 96910

Dear Speaker Nelson:

Enclosed please find a copy of Bill No. 319 (LS), "AN ACT TO REZONE LOT NO. 64-2-REM-A-1, AGANA HEIGHTS, MUNICIPALITY OF SINAJANA, FROM MULTIPLE DWELLING (R2) TO COMMERCIAL (C).", which I have signed into law today as **Public Law No. 23-63.** 

Applications for rezoning, such as this, should be processed through the Territorial Land Use Commission (TLUC). The applicant has stated that the application for rezoning was first brought to the Legislature at a time when the TLUC was not in effect. Since that time, the proper approvals from the Agana Heights Municipal Planning Council was obtained.

This land is located along Route 7 in Agana Heights, where commercial activity is appropriate. Additionally the Y Tano-ta' Land Use Plan identifies the area as Intensity District 3, which allows for commercial activity.

Very truly yours,

Carl T. C. Gutierrez

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### TWENTY-THIRD GUAM LEGISLATURE 1995 (FIRST) Regular Session

## CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Bill No. 319 (LS), "AN ACT TO REZONE LOT NO. 64-2-REM-A-1, AGANA HEIGHTS, MUNICIPALITY OF SINAJANA, FROM MULTIPLE DWELLING (R2) TO COMMERCIAL (C)," was on the 22nd day of November, 1995, duly and regularly passed.

	DON PARKINSON
Attested:	Speaker
JUDITH WON PAT-BORJA Senator and Legislative Secretary	
This Act was received by the Governor to 1995, at	his <u>29th</u> day of <u>November</u>
APPROVED:	Assistant Staff Officer Governor's Office
CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ Governor of Guam	
Date: /2-5-95	
Public Law No. 23-63	

### TWENTY-THIRD GUAM LEGISLATURE 1995 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 319 (LS)

Introduced by:

A. C. Blaz

T. S. Nelson

T. C. Ada

J. P. Aguon

E. Barrett-Anderson

J. S. Brown

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M. C. Charfauros

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C. Leon Guerrero

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AN ACT TO REZONE LOT NO. 64-2-REM-A-1, AGANA HEIGHTS, MUNICIPALITY OF SINAJANA, FROM MULTIPLE DWELLING (R2) TO COMMERCIAL (C).

### 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Statement. United Pacific Investment and
- 3 Development, Inc., is the owner of Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights,
- 4 Municipality of Sinajana. The owner has requested the Guam Legislature's
- 5 assistance to rezone the property, which contains 1,718.71 square meters,

1 from Multiple Dwelling (R2) to Commercial (C). The described property is

2 situated along Route 7. Many of the surrounding commercial properties

3 have already been developed which makes the subject lot conducive to the

4 type of development that the land owner is proposing. Moreover, the

property already has the necessary utilities - water, power, sewer, and

6 telephone.

The landowner wishes to improve the property to make the maximum use of its location by constructing a commercial building thereon. Because the property is located along Route 7 in Agana Heights, such a zone change to commercial will not adversely affect the surrounding neighborhood. Rather, the development will increase services to the community and contribute materially to the income of the government.

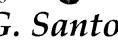
The rezoning of this property does not constitute any form of exemption from the regulatory and permitting rules and regulations which must be complied with prior to the issuance of building and occupancy permits. The proposed I Tano'-ta Land Use Plan for Guam recommends Intensity District 3 for the area, which permits such use in a commercial zone. Therefore, the request conforms with the Plan's intent, complementing the community's economic goals.

The Mayor of Agana Heights, the Municipal Planning Council, and property owners within a reasonable distance of the property have given written support for the rezoning.

**Section 2.** Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights, Municipality of Sinajana, containing an area of 1,718.71 square meters and owned by United Pacific Investment and Development, Inc., is hereby rezoned from "Multiple Dwelling (R2)" to "Commercial (C)".



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September 7, 1995

Speaker Don Parkinson Twenty-Third Guam Legislature 155 Hesler Street Agana, Guam 96910

Dear Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Community, Housing and Cultural Affairs, to which was referred Bill No. 319, hereby reports back to the Legislature with its recommendation TO DO PASS Bill No. 319 - "An act to rezone Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights, municipality of Sinajana, from multiple dwelling (R-2) to commercial (C); by A.C. Blaz."

The voting record is as follows:

TO PASS	<u>7</u>
NOT TO PASS	0
ABSTAIN	<u>0</u>
INACTIVE FILE	0

The Committee Report and supporting documents are attached.

ANGEL L.G. SANTOS

Attachments

# COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY, HOUSING, AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS 23rd Guam Legislature

**VOTING RECORD** 

**Bill No. 319-** An act to rezone Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights, municipality of Sinajana, from multiple dwelling (R2) to commercial (C).

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# Ufisinan I TaoTao Tano' Senator Angel L.G. Santos

Chairman, Committee on Community, Housing, and Cultural Affairs 23rd Guam Legislature

August 24, 1995

### MEMORANDUM

TO:

**Members** 

FROM:

Chairman

SUBJECT: Committee Report on Bill No. 319- An act to rezone Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1,

Agana Heights, municipality of Sinajana, from multiple dwelling (R2) to

commercial (C); by A.C. Blaz.

Transmitted herewith for your consideration and action is our Committee Report on the subject matter.

I authored a bill, Bill 245, on the same subject matter which was publicly heard on June 26, 1995. I have decided to withdraw my Bill in deference to Senator Blaz's Bill 319. I ask your indulgence to accept this Committee Report on Bill 319, substantially having the same subject matter as Bill 245 and having met the hearing requirements for further processing through the legislative process.

Please indicate your choice on the attached VOTING RECORD and return the documents to my office for transmittal to the other members.

Should you have any questions on the narrative report or the accompanying documents, I would be most happy to answer any of them.

Your attention and cooperation in this matter are greatly appreciated.

ANGEL L.G. SANTOS

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# COMMITTEL ON COMMUNITY, HOUSING, AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Twenty-Third Guam Legislature



## **REPORT**

on Bill No. 319

An act to rezone Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights, municipality of Sinajana, from multiple dwelling (R2) to commercial (C).

August 24, 1995

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Angel L.G. Santos, Chairman

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Vicente C. Pangelinan Judy Won Pat-Borja

Speaker Don Parkinson, Ex-Officio

### I. OVERVIEW

The Committee on Community, Housing and Cultural Affairs conducted a public hearing on June 26, 1995 at 10:00 AM at the Legislative Public Hearing Room, Agana, to receive public input on Bill No. 245. Public notice was given in the Pacific Daily News on June 21, 1995.

Originally scheduled for June 23, 1995, this hearing was rescheduled because the Speaker, on June 22nd, called a special session for the next day. Due to the short suspense time, a press release was issued to alert the public of the change and the affected parties were notified by telephone.

Committee members present were:
Senator Angel Santos, Chairman
Senator Ted Nelson Senator Anthony Blaz
Senator Carlotta Leon Guerrero

Appearing to testify on the Bill were:

John Anderson, Department of Land Management
Frank C. Torres, Jr., Guam Executive Consultants.

### II. SUMMARY OF THE HEARING

Mr. Torres testified that he was representing United Pacific Investment and Development Inc. in requesting legislative rezoning of Lot 664-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights from "R2 Multiple Dwelling" to "C Commercial".

The described property is situated along Route 7 across the street from the Naval Hospital compound. Many of the surrounding commercial lots have already been developed which makes the area conducive to the type of development that the land owner is proposing. Moreover, the property already has the necessary utilities - water, power, sewer and telephone lines available. It is their opinion that a change in zoning would not pose additional requirements on the infrastructure.

John Anderson testified that the Territorial Land Use Commission (TLUC) would be the most appropriate forum to review rezoning of private property. However, at the time United Pacific Investment and Development Inc., through its agent Frank Torres, approached Land Management for a zone change, the TLUC was not in existence due to the change in administrations resulting from the recent election. He was in agreement with Mr. Torres' position that the Legislature should be approached for the rezoning, not in an attempt to circumvent the TLUC process but as more of a matter of necessity given the circumstances at that time. It is also his understanding that the rezoning of this property will not constitute

any form of exemption from the regulatory and permitting rules and regulations which must be complied with prior to the issuance of any building and occupancy permits.

Additionally, the I Tano-ta Land Use Plan, although not yet approved, does identify this area as Intensity District 3 which allows for commercial activity. However, although the Department does not necessarily object to the intent behind Bill 245, i.e., to rezone the parcel from R2 to C, the Department cannot support the process in which it is being attempted.

### III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

United Pacific Investment and Development, Inc. owns Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights, containing 1,718.71 square meters. Through its agent, Frank C. Torres, Jr., the company requested the Legislature to rezone said property from multiple dwelling (R2) to commercial (C). According to Mr. Torres, it was not their intention to circumvent the rezoning review function of the Territorial Land Use Commission by approaching the Legislature. Rather, it was out of necessity because the TLUC, in early 1995, did not have enough members for a quorum in order to conduct business.

Having committed themselves to lobbying the Legislature for rezoning, the land owner visited the neighborhood within a radius of 500 feet and secured surrounding land owners' approval as well as appearing before the Agana Heights Municipal Planning Council and securing its approval as well. The land owner now asks this Committee to take action and make its findings so that the full legislative body will have the opportunity to dispose of it.

The described property is situated along Route 7 across the street from the Naval Hospital compound. Many of the surrounding commercial lots have already been developed which makes the area conducive to the type of development that the land owner is proposing. Moreover, the property already has the necessary utilities - water, power, sewer and telephone lines available. It is their opinion that a change in zoning would not pose additional requirements on the infrastructure.

The rezoning of this property will not constitute any form of exemption from the regulatory and permitting rules and regulations which must be complied with prior to the issuance of any building and occupancy permits. Additionally, the I Tano-ta Land Use Plan, although not yet approved, does identify this area as Intensity District 3 which allows for commercial activity.

Accordingly, the Committee on Community, Housing, and Cultural Affairs, to which was referred Bill No. 319, submits its findings and recommendation to the Twenty-Third Guam Legislature.



# 聯合太平洋投資發展有限公司(美國關島)

# United Pacific Investment & Development, Inc.

APRIL March 25, 1995 Office of Senator Angel L.G. Santos Date: 4/27/95

Time:\_

Received by: \_

Print Name: Atu

Senator Angel L.G. Santos Chairman Committee on Housing and Community Development Twenty-third Guam Legislature Agana, Guam 96910

'Dear Senator Santos,

This is a win/win situation in which we urgently request your office to introduce a bill to rezone Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Municipality of Sinajana, from Multi-Family Dwelling (R2) to Commercial (C).

The described property is situated along Route 7, one of the Island's main thoroughfares and the proposed zone change will allow the land owner to best utilize the property to its most desirable purpose. Other properties in the same vicinity have already been rezoned. Therefore, it is deemed reasonable and justifiably appropriate to change the existing zone in order for the property to be compatible with the increasing commercialization of the area.

Many of these commercial lots have already been developed which makes the area conducive to the type of development that the land owner is proposing. Moreover, the property to be rezoned already has the necessary utilities - water, power, sewer and telephone lines available. A change in zoning would not pose additional requirements on the infrastructure.

The land owner wishes to improve the property to make the maximum use of its location by constructing a commercial building thereon. Because the property is located along Route 7 in Agana Heights, such a zone change to commercial will not adversely affect the surrounding neighborhood. Rather, the development of this property will increase services to the community, contribute materially to the income of the Government, and will benefit all of the residents in the surrounding area.

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# 聯合太平洋投資發展有限公司(美國屬島) United Pacific Investment & Development, Inc.

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The rezoning of this property does not constitute any form of exemption from the regulatory and permitting rules and regulations which must be complied with prior to the issuance of building and occupancy permits.

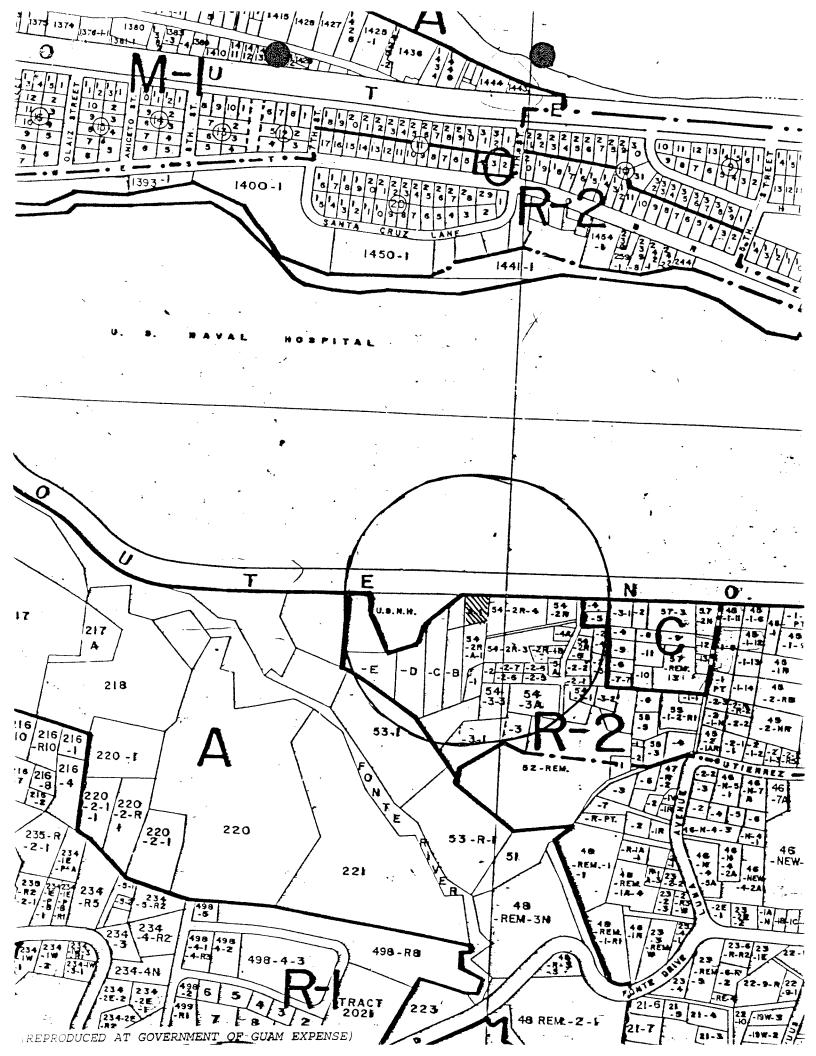
The property comes under the proposed I Tano-ta Land Use Plan for Guam which recommends Intensity District 3, which permits such use in a commercial zone. Therefore, the request is in line with the intent of the I Tano-ta Land Use Plan and will complement the community's economic goals.

The Mayor of Agana Heights, the Municipal Planning Council and the property owners within a reasonable distance of the property have written support for the rezoning.

Sincerely yours,

Gary Jia-Wei Luo

Deputy General Manager



We the undersigned hereby indicate our support for the rezoning from R-2 to C Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Municipality of SINAJANA , which consists of 1,718.71 sq.mtrs., owned by UNITED PACIFIC INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT, INC. Lot No. Lot Owner 477-3780 Yes No Comments / SIGNATURE 64-2 REM B-L ANSELMO M. GARRIDO 64-2 REMB-1 MARGARITAM.GARRIDO 64-2-18-M-D-1 JOAQUIN A. SABLAN 64-2-REM-D-1 DOROTHY Q. SABLAN 64-2 REM-ENEW-I JILLETTE T. LEON-GUERRERO 64-2 REM-ENRU-1 Jean Lescure 54-2-ICEM MASANERI NAKAJIMA 642 REM-ENEW RI BURON THOMPSON X 64-ZREM-ENEW-RI KATHU / Homoson & 64-2REMB-RI JOSE M. SABLAN 64-2REM-B-R1 ELDRENTINA CO. SABIAN 64-2REM-C JOSE M-SABLAN 64-ZREM-C KOSALINET SAB 54-2-9 54-2-10 54-2-120 X 54-2-REM-3NEW-2 MANUEL J. SOSA Manue 54-2-REM-SNEW-Z. HNIONIA P. SOSA 54-2-REM-3-NEW-RZ MURPHY NGIRAROIS Murphy Aguan 54-2-REM-3-NEW-RZ HURPHY ILECHERONG Hecherong R/19, 34-2-6 2-7 DAVID-R-LEFEUER 54-2-PEM-3NEW WILLIAM P. CACHILA 54-2-BEN. 3NEW-18 ZENAIDA P. CACHILA + Cacheli 64-2 REM- A MARIO J. VERGARA 64-2 REM-A MARIA G. VERGARA ROBERT JAHIER 5.4-3-3

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# Office of the Mayor Municipality of Agana Heights

c/o Mayors' Council of Guam P.O. Box 786, Agana, Guam 96910



PAUL M. MCDONALD

Mayor

Telephone No.: 472-8286

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April 27, 1995

Office of Senator Angel L.G. Santos Date: August 24,1995

Time: 3:00 PM

Received by: \_

Print Name: ALVIN J. DUENA

Mr. Gary Jia-Wei Luo
Deputy General Manager
United Pacific Investment &
Development, Inc.
Suite 223D, Julale Business Center
424 West Officen Drive
Agana, Guam Depi0

RE: VARIANCE FOR LOT NO. 64-2-REM-A-1 MUNICIPALITY OF AGANA HEIGHTS

Dear Sir:

This is in respond to your request for variance for Lot No. 64-2- Rem-A-1 as described.

Your request was presented at the regular monthly meeting on March 13, 1995. After your presentation, the Agana Heights Municipal Planning Council decided and held a Public Hearing to support your request. The Council believes that the variance will provide necessary services to our community with very little impact to the surrounding residents. With the petition presented to the Council, approximately 95% to 99% of the 500 feet radius residents have no objections for the development proposal.

Again, the Agana Heights Municipal Planning Council supports your proposal for a variance for Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1 for the purpose development which will work in coordination with our Community Park. We know that the residents of Agana Heights will take advantage of the convenience of your development.

Sincerely,

PAUL M. MCDONALD



# DEPARTMENT OF LAND MANAGEMENT (DEPARTMENTON TANO')

### **GOVERNMENT OF GUAM**





June 22, 1995

Senator Angel L.G. Santos Chairman Committee on Community, Housing and Cultural Affairs Twenty-Third Guam Legislature Suite 202 324 West Soledad Avenue Agana, Guam 96910

Hafa Adai Senator Santos:

I appreciate the opportunity to present testimony on Bill No. 245, An Act to rezone Lot 64-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights, Municipality of Agana Heights, from "R-2" (Multi-family Dwelling) zone to "C" (Commercial) zone. Before I begin my testimony however, I would like to point out a discrepancy. Because of problems that were consistently arising in identifying what villages fell under what municipality, I requested assistance from legal counsel back in February of 1994 in dealing with this matter. In short, based on his response, all nineteen political subdivisions (districts) are municipalities in themselves. Agana Heights is no longer under the municipality of Sinajana and is a municipality in itself (A copy of this position is provided for your reference).

Although the Department may not necessarily object to the rezoning of the area from "R-2" to "C" per se, it is the process in which the zone change is being attempted. The Department of Land Management has consistently gone on record as objecting to the continued interference in administrative matters by the Legislature. In spite of their good intentions, such acts by the Legislature circumvent the very process that they themselves created, namely, the Territorial Land Use Commission (TLUC) process.

Instances such as the case with the Carloses property in Agana Heights can and will occur whenever the TLUC process is ignored. Those most impacted by the proposed zone change, i.e., the surrounding landowners within a 500-foot radius, the community as a whole represented by their Municipal Planning Council (MPC), and those agencies who are knowledgeable of existing infrastructure and its capacity or lack thereof, are not provided the opportunity to respond in the same manner and thoroughness as under the TLUC process. Put simply, the TLUC process is the most appropriate forum for rezoning privately owned property. In this case, the property is privately owned, not by Tun Juan or Tan Maria, but by a corporation. It is my understanding that the Legislative intervention initially was done basically to assist the average citizen and not businesses or corporations. However, if it is the position of this Legislative body that the TLUC process is too

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lengthy, cumbersome and/or expensive, not just for the average citizen but to businesses and corporations as well, then, rather than continue to condemn their creation and act on projects in a piecemeal fashion, may I suggest that the Legislature instead, amend the current statutes that contribute to this expensive and cumbersome process, inclusive of the applicable executive orders.

As an example, previously, only zone changes and other major developments requiring TLUC action required public hearings. However, the Legislature passed P.L. 20-217:3 and P.L.21-14:11 which require all zone variances and conditional uses to have public hearings. These laws translated into higher costs and additional delays in processing these applications through the TLUC process.

Additionally, Executive Orders 90-09 (as amended by 92-06) and 90-10 have contributed to the expense and increased time for processing an application through the TLUC process. Where there were previously only seven members serving on the Development Review Committee, formally known as SDRC, there are now a total of fourteen member agencies, with two of these agencies being exofficio members.

If the TLUC process is truly a problem child that the Legislature may feel it is, then for the sake of all, some form of amendment or deletion of these laws and/or executive orders should be made.

As long as the TLUC process remains in effect as the vehicle to address land use issues that do not conform to the Zoning and Subdivision Codes, I have no recourse but to object to any attempt by the Legislature to circumvent the TLUC process.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to testify on these bills.

Si Yu'os Ma'ase'

JOHN T. ANDERSON

Attachment

cc: Director, DLM
Deputy Director, DLM
ChairPerson, TLUC



JOSEPH F. ADA Governor

FRANK F. BLAS
Lieutenant Governor

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F. L. G. CASTRO

Director

JOAQUIN A. ACFALLE Deputy Director

February 22, 1994

Memorandum

To:

Territorial Planner

From:

Legal Counsel

Subject:

Definition of "municipality"

You have asked me whether or not Guam political subdivisions not explicitly designated "municipality" are in fact municipalities, and whether or not the terms "municipality" and "village" are synonymous under Guam law.

After reviewing the law on the above subject, I am of the opinion that the terms "municipality" and "village" are used interchangeably in the Guam law and that the various political subdivisions of Guam, however designated, are "municipalities."

The names and descriptions of the various political subdivisions (municipalities) of Guam are found at 1 Guam Code Annotated (GCA), section 403 which provides for 19 different political subdivisions each titled "municipality" or "village" or in some cases not titled at all. It appears that the term "village" may have been the oldest way of designating these political subdivisions, and over time certain villages were further subdivided into smaller political subdivisions or combined with adjacent political subdivisions as circumstances warranted. Currently, then there is a mix of titles for the various political subdivisions in Guam.

The real test of a political subdivision is the powers it possesses independent of all other such subdivisions, not the title affixed to it. For a review of such powers, we turn to 5 GCA, chapter 40 (sections 40101 to 40131). Section 40101 provides in part, "There shall be a [Mayor] ... for the municipalities and villages of Guam as indicated in the following table:" (emphasis added) The table (copy attached) lists 19 separate political subdivisions, some titled "municipality" or "village" and some not titled at all. The next code section (40102) provides: "Municipality or Village means that area delineated in 1 GCA section 403." Thus, the term "municipality" and "village" are not only defined to be synonymous with one another, but they also are



expressly linked to the municipalities set forth in 1 GCA, section 403. 5 GCA, section 40103 provides in part "[Mayors] ... as indicated in section 40101, shall be elected by popular vote of the area which the [mayors] represent. In districts where there are [vice mayors, both mayor and vice mayor] ... shall be chosen separately." (emphasis added) This passage introduces the terms "area" and "district" into the collection of titles for Guam's political subdivisions. Clearly then, a political subdivision need not be titled "municipality" or "village" in order to have the authority to elect a mayor and vice mayor and to do all the other things done at the municipal level.

Thus, it is my view that the 19 political subdivisions set forth in 1 GCA, section 403 and 5 GCA section 40101 are "municipalities" under Guam law. They each, however designated, have the authority to elect their own local leaders and conduct all governmental activities allowed for such political subdivisions, which is the true test of whether or not such a political subdivision is a municipality.

Submitted pursuant to your request.

Vance J.√. Guerena

Att.

# 5 GC h. 40 - Commissioners of Gua

§40124.	Municipal Planning Council: Establishment.
§40125.	Composition and Eligibility of Council Members.
§40126.	Municipal Planning Council: Term of Office.
§40127.	Municipal Planning Council: Vacancy.
§40128.	Municipal Planning Council:
	Powers, Duties and Responsibilities.
§40129.	School Bus Shelters.
§40130.	Municipal Planning Council:
	Meetings.
§40131.	Effective Date.

# §40101. Appointment; Number of Commissioners.

There shall be a Commissioner and/or Assistant Commissioner for the municipalities and villages of Guam as indicated in the following table:

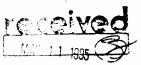
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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Chairman,

Committee on Community Musing and

Cultural Affairs

FROM:

Chairman, Committee on Rules

SUBJECT: Refer of - Bill No. 245

The above Bill is referred to your Committee as the principal committee. Please note that the referral is subject to ratification by the Committee on Rules at its next meeting. It is recommended you schedule a yet lie hearing at your earliest consolicate.

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June 30. 1995



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Senator Angel L.G. Santos Chairman Committee on Community, Housing and Cultural Affairs Twenty-Third Guam Legislature Suite 202 324 West Soledad Avenue Agana, Guam 96910

Hafa Adai Senator Santos:

Thank you for allowing me to express the Department of Land Management's concerns on the legislative rezoning of Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights, Municipality of Agana Heights, during your Committee's public hearing on June 26, 1995. I appreciate your expressed desire to meet with us to try and resolve this matter. If I may reiterate again, our position is that, the TLUC process is the most appropriate forum for rezoning privately owned property.

It was stated by Mr. Torres during the hearing that the main reason for bringing this particular project through the Legislature and not the TLUC was due to the fact that there was no Commission in existence at the time this rezoning request was being made. It was not an attempt to circumvent the TLUC process but was more of a matter of necessity given the circumstances at that time. I am not in disagreement with this statement.

It is also my understanding that the rezoning of this property will not constitute any form of exemption from the regulatory and permitting rules and regulations which must be complied with prior to the issuance of any building and occupancy permits.

Additionally, the I Tano-ta Land Use Plan, although not yet approved, does identify this area as Intensity District 3 which allows for commercial activity. However, although the Department does not necessarily object to the intent behind Bill 245, i.e., to rezone the parcel from "R-2" to "C" per se, we cannot support the process in which it is being attempted.



Ltr to Sen. Santos

Ref: Bill 245 June 30, 1995

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Once again, the Department must go on record as opposing any legislative rezoning of private lands. We request that all rezoning bills dealing with private lands be processed through the TLUC and not be done by legislative action.

Thank you for your time and attention. Should you require additional comments and or justification, do not hesitate to contact this office at 475-5233.

Sinseru,

JOHN T. ANDERSON Territorial Planner

cc: Dir. Department of Land Management
Deputy Dir. Department of Land Management



# Ufisinan I TaoTao Tano' Senator Angel L.G. Santos

Chairman, Committee on Community, Housing, and Cultural Affairs 23rd Guam Legislature

## WITNESS SIGN-IN SHEET

**Bill No. 245 -** An act to rezone Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights, municipality of Sinajana, from Multiple Dwelling (R2) to Commercial (C).

Public Hearing Friday, June 23, 1995, 10:00 AM Legislative Public Hearing Room 155 Hesler Street, Agana, GUAM

NAME (please print)	ORGANIZATION	ORAL/WRITTEN
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# Uffisinan I TaoTao Tano' Senator Angel L.G. Santos

Chairperson, Committee on Community , Housing & Cultural Affairs



June 22, 1995

### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Committee Members

FROM:

Harold Cruz, Deputy Chief-of Staff

SUBJECT:

Reschedule of Confirmation / Public Hearing

Due to Acting Speaker Nelson's call for a Special Session tomorrow, the Confirmation / Public Hearing schedule for June 23, 1995, at 10:00 a.m., has been reschedule for June 26, 1995, at 10:00 a.m. in the Legislative Session Hall.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Si Yu'os Ma'ase'!

cc:

All Senators
Executive Director
Protocol
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Legal Office
Local Media



# Ufisinan I TaoTao Tano' Senator Angel L.G. Santos

Chairperson, Committee on Community, Housing & Cultural Affairs



June 22, 1995

### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Acting Speaker, Ted S. Nelson

FROM:

Harold Cruz, Deputy Chief of Staff

SUBJECT:

Use of Legislative Session Hall

Senator Santos is requesting the use of the Legislative Session Hall on June 26, 1995, beginning at 10:00 a.m., lasting throughout the day.

This request is due to the Special Session you've called for June 23, 1995. Because of the Special Session, we've canceled our Confirmation and Public Hearing on proposed bills in order for the Senator to attend the Special Session.

Your favorable consideration and immediate response is most appreciated.

Si Yu'os Ma'ase'!

Harold Cruz

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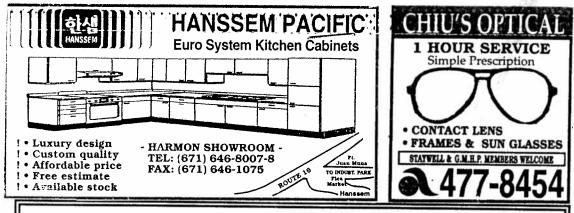
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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### 23rd Guam Legislature

Committee on Community, Housing & Cultural Affairs Senator Angel L.G. Santos, Chairman



PUBLIC/CONFIRMATION HEARING Friday, June 23, 1995, 10:00 AM & 2:00 PM Legislative Public Hearing Room, 155 Hesler Street, Agana AGENDA

#### 10:00 AM Public Hearing

Bill No. 126 - An act to rezone Lot No. 7061, Dededo, municipality of Yigo, from "A (Rural)" to "R-1 (Single Family Dwelling)"; to grant subdivision Lot No. 7061-2; and to grant zoning variances on Lot Nos. 2 through 7, Lot Nos. 12 through 16, Lot Nos. 20 through 24, and Lot Nos. 29 through 37, on the proposed housing subdivision project on basic Lot No. 7061-2; by T Ada.

Bill No. 142 - An act to authorize the lease and licensing of certain government of Guam real property in Tamuning; by V Pangelinan, A Santos, A Blaz.

Bill No. 216 - An act to authorize the Governor to sell Lot 18, Block 24, New Agana to Nacrina Ada Toves; by T Nelson.

Bill No. 245 - An act to rezone Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights, municipality of Sinajana, from Multiple Dwelling (R2) to Commercial (C); by A Santos.

Bill No. 256 - An act to amend Section 9 of the Public Law 21-129 in order to correct an oversight so that Manu Melwani may purchase in Agana 19 square meters of government land, all of which is surrounded by land already owned by Mr. Melwani and which would otherwise make both Mr. Melwani's land and the Government's wholly undevelopable; by D Parkinson.

Bill No. 261 - An act to add a new Section 10 to Public Law 20212, relative to authorizing the Governor to exchange government of Guam land for privately-owned land taken for the Rosario Detention Facility protective zone; by A Santos, M Charfauros, V Pangelinan.

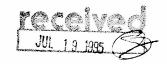
Bill No. 277 - An act amend subsection (a) of §62105 and to amend §62108.1, relative to agricultural subdivision requirements, and to amend subsection (c) of §61501, relative to minimum yards and lot areas, all in Title 21 of the Guam Code Annotated; by A Santos.

#### 2:00 PM Confirmation Hearing

Confirmation of the following appointees to the boards of the Council on the Arts and Humanities (CAHA), Chamorro Language Commission (CLC), Chamorro Land Trust Commission (CLTC), Guam Housing Corporation (GHC), Guam Museum (GMBT), and Real Estate Commission (REC).

Name	Position	Entity	Term Expiration	Replacing
Anthony C. Corn	member	CAHA	12-Apr-99	new appointment
Robert N. Castro	member	CLC	16-Jun-97	Jeff Barcinas
Lydia Cruz	member	CLC	23-May-97	Bernadetta Dungca
Rita C. Okada	member	CLTC	26-Feb-96	new appointment
Lorraine S. Okada	member	GHC.	23-Mar-2001	new appointment
Jessie S. Pendon	member	GHC	26-Apr-2001	new appointment
Bernadita S. Quitugua	member	GMBT	26-Mar-99	new appointment
Janet L. Watts	member	GMBT	26-Mar-97	Marie Perez-Calvo
Rose M. Hunt	member	REC	23-Jun-98	reappointment
Johnny C. Reyes	member	REC	23-Jun-98	Antonio Artero

#### The Public is Encouraged to Attend





# **COMMITTEE ON RULES**

Twenty-Third Guam Legislature 155 Hesler St., Agana, Guam 96910

July 19, 1995

### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Chairman,

Committee on Community, Housing and

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Cultural Affairs

FROM:

Chairman, Committee on Rules

**SUBJECT:** Referral - Bill No. 319

The above Bill is referred to your Committee as the principal Please note that the referral is subject to ratification committee. by the Committee on Rules at its next meeting. It is recommended you schedule a public hearing at your earliest convenience.

Attachment:

## TENTY-THIRD GUAM LEGISIC TURE 1995 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. <u>3/9</u>

Introduced by

A.C. Blaz Arslon

AN ACT TO REZONE LOT NO. 64-2-REM-A-1, AGANA HEIGHTS, MUNICIPALITY OF SINAJANA, FROM MULTIPLE DWELLING (R2) TO COMMERCIAL (C).

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM:
- 2 Section 1. Legislative statement. United Pacific Investment and
- 3 Development, Inc. is the owner of Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights,
- 4 Municipality of Sinajana. The owner has requested the Guam Legislature's
- 5 assistance to rezone the property, which contains 1,718.71 square meters, from
- 6 Multiple Dwelling (R2) to Commercial (C). The described property is situated
- 7 along Route 7. Many of the surrounding commercial properties have already been
- 8 developed which makes the subject lot conducive to the type of development that
- 9 the land owner is proposing. Moreover, the property already has the necessary
- 10 utilities water, power, sewer and telephone.
- 11 The landowner wishes to improve the property to make the maximum use
- 12 of its location by constructing a commercial building thereon. Because the
- 13 property is located along Route 7 in Agana Heights, such a zone change to
- 14 commercial will not adversely affect the surrounding neighborhood. Rather, the
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- 6 with the Plan's intent, complimenting the community's economic goals.
- 7 The Mayor of Agana Heights, the Municipal Planning Council and property
- 8 owners within a reasonable distance of the property have given written support
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- 10 Section 2. Lot No. 64-2-REM-A-1, Agana Heights, Municipality of Sinajana,
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- 12 Investment and Development, Inc., is hereby rezoned from "Multiple Dwelling
- 13 (R2)" to "Commercial (C)".





# **COMMITTEE ON RULES**

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Twenty-Third Guam Legislature 155 Hesler St., Agana, Guam 96910

May 11, 1995

### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Chairman,

Committee on Community, Housing and

Cultural Affairs

FROM:

Chairman, Committee on Rules

SUBJECT: Referral - Bill No. 245

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Bill No. <u>245</u>

Introduced by

A.L.G. Santos

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## TW JTY-THIRD GUAM LEGISLA JRE 1995 (FIRST) Regular Session

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Introduced by

A.C. Blaz Allon

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