



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Iloilo
MUNICIPALITY OF OTON
OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN



EXCERPT from the Minutes of Session of the Sangguniang Bayan ng Oton, Iloilo recorded during its Regular Session held at the SB Session Hall on **February 13, 2025** at 9:00 the morning.

PRESENT:

Vice Mayor Jose Neil Portugalete Olivares
Hon. Jimmy Robles Olivares
Hon. Ma. Lorna Tumambo Geonigo
Hon. Dennis Quillo Geroche
Hon. Ernesto Cordova Ticao
Hon. Lee Cereneo Alison – Bretaña
Hon. Rodolfo Zurita Alconga, Jr.
Hon. Vanessa Turita Salinas
Hon. Paul Mediavilla Buenafe

Vice Mayor and Presiding Officer
SB Member
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SB Member
SB Member (LNB Representative)

ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

None.

ABSENT:

Hon. Grace Marie Escanlar-Cruz
Hon. Hyacinth C. Gardose

SB Member
SB Member (PPSK Representative)

RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 33

APPROVING THE DELISTING OF SOLIMAN ANCESTRAL HOUSE IN THE LIST OF HERITAGE HOUSES.

WHEREAS, the Committee on Culture, History, Arts and Tourism discussed the letter received from Mr. and Mrs. Mary Ann Soliman, requesting the delisting of the Soliman House from the recognized List of Ancestral Houses per Resolution No. 2011-095. The request was made in light of the fact that the old house has been significantly renovated, with more than 40% of it changed. The entire bottom portion (ground floor) of the house is no longer original. Additionally, according to Mrs. Mary Jane P. Andrade, the upper structure of the house is already weak, and some parts are damaged, which could pose a risk to them and their neighbors;

WHEREAS, the said ancestral house is not included in the declared cultural mapping project of the Municipality as certified by the Municipal Tourism Officer since the owner did not join the cultural mapping;

WHEREAS, The National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA), which is the primary agency responsible for implementing Republic Act No. 10066, known as the National Cultural Heritage Act, stipulates that to delist a property, the owner must file a petition with the Commission and providing a detailed justification outlining that the property no longer meets the criteria for being considered as Culturalistic significant. This justification included reasons such as substantial structural damage, the loss of its historical context, and a shift in community perception regarding the property's importance for instance;

WHEREAS, the committee chair, during a site visit, observed that some parts of the house are indeed weak and damaged, potentially creating threat to the safety of inhabitants therein and the pedestrians passing the façade of the house;

WHEREAS, the owner had manifested that said ancestral house no longer meets the criteria to be considered culturally significant but manifested to donate some portions of the ancestral house like the Kapiz windows, wood and other significant parts or articles.

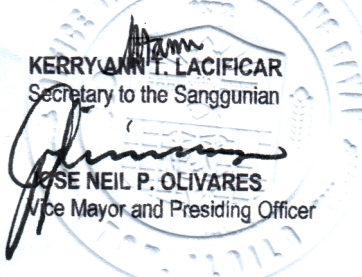
NOW THEREFORE on motion of the Committee on Culture, History, Arts and Tourism, through its Chair Hon. Paul M. Buenafe together with Hon. Lee Alison – Bretaña and Hon. Ma. Lorna T. Geonigo and duly seconded by Hon. Jimmy R. Olivares, be it

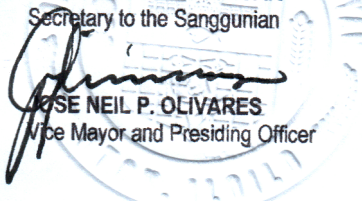
RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Sangguniang Bayan ng Oton to pass Resolution Approving the Delisting of Soliman Ancestral House in the List of Heritage Houses.


RESOLVED FURTHER to furnish copies of this Resolution to the Office of the Mayor, Municipal Tourism Officer, MPDC and Mr. and Mrs. Mary Ann Soliman for information.


APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, CONCUR AND ATTEST respectively to the correctness of the foregoing Resolution.


KERRY ANN T. LACIFICAR
Secretary to the Sanggunian


JOSE NEIL P. OLIVARES
Vice Mayor and Presiding Officer


VANESSA T. SALINAS
Chair, Committee on Rules and Privileges


SOFRONIO L. FUSIN, JR.
Municipal Mayor