

Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Davao del Norte  
CITY OF TAGUM

**BEFORE THE 5<sup>TH</sup> CITY COUNCIL**

**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 37<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF TAGUM, PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL NORTE HELD ON MARCH 28, 2011 AT THE SP SESSION HALL.**

**PRESENT:**

Hon. ALLAN L. RELLON, MPA,	City Vice Mayor (Presiding Officer)
Hon. DE CARLO L. UY,	Member
Hon. MARIA LINA F. BAURA,	Member
Hon. ROBERT L. SO,	Member
Hon. JOEDEL T. CAASI,	Member
Hon. OSCAR M. BERMUDEZ,	Member
Hon. ALAN D. ZULUETA,	Member
Hon. GETERITO T. GEMENTIZA,	Member
Hon. TRISTAN ROYCE R. AALA,	Member
Hon. FRANCISCO C. REMITAR,	Member

**ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:**

Hon. NICANDRO T. SUAYBAGUIO, JR.,	Member	
Hon. ALFREDO R. PAGDILAO,	Member	(ABC Representative)

**ABSENT:**

Hon. JACQUELINE GRACE Q. EDULLANTES,	Member	(SKF Representative)
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**RESOLUTION NO. 297, s-2011**

**“A RESOLUTION URGING ASEC. VIRGINIA P. TORRES, LTO DIRECTOR TO IMPLEMENT DOTC MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. VPT – 2010 – 1380 DATED AUGUST 10, 2010 ISSUED BY HON. JOSE P. DE JESUS, REGARDING THE STANDARD EMISSION TESTING FEE BEING COLLECTED FROM MOTOR VEHICLE OWNERS.”**

**WHEREAS**, paragraph 7 of **Memorandum Circular No. VPT – 2010 – 1380** issued by Hon. Jose P. de Jesus, Secretary of the Department of Transportation and Communication (DOTC), states that the LTO and other national agencies are required to set a standard emission testing fee to all Private Emission Testing Centers nationwide at not more than Three Hundred Fifty Pesos (P350.00);

**WHEREAS**, Memorandum Circular No. VPT – 2010 – 1380 was dated August 10, 2010 and its effectivity should have been one hundred eighty (180) days thereafter, or February 2011 but up to this time the emission test fee in this city is still being pegged at Four Hundred Fifty (P450.00) Pesos;

**WHEREAS**, Section 17 of Republic Act 7160 provides that the Local government shall endeavor and shall exercise powers and discharge such other functions and responsibilities as necessary, appropriate or incidental to efficiently and effectively provide of the basic services and facilities;

**WHEREAS**, the City Government is persistent and has been exerting efforts through series of consultations to all emission testing centers and other stakeholders to reduce the price of the emission test for some years now and comes the Memorandum circular from DOTC Secretary addressed to the Land Transportation Office and other related agencies to bolster our cause for equity and social justice but still the LTO Provincial Office in Davao del Norte has yet to act on this matter;

**WHEREAS**, the implementation of the said Memorandum Order is already due and demandable;

**WHEREAS**, there is seemingly a price cartel of the emission testing in Tagum City as perceived by the public;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Tagum City to urge Asec. Virginia P. Torres, LTO Director, to implement the DOTC Memorandum Circular No. VPT – 2010 – 1380 dated August 10, 2010 issued by Hon. Jose P. de Jesus, DOTC Secretary regarding the standard emission testing fee being collected from motor vehicle owners.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this resolution shall be furnished to the Land Transportation Office and to all offices concerned.

**CARRIED AND APPROVED.**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness of the foregoing.

**REY A. BUHION**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

**ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED**  
**TO BE DULY ADOPTED:**

**ALLAN L. RELLON, MPA**  
City Vice Mayor  
(Presiding Officer)