

TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS P.O. BOX 500586 SAIPAN, MP 96950

RALPH N. YUMUL CHAIRMAN

> STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 23.68 DATE: January 17, 2024 RE: House Local Bill No. 23-39

The Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez Speaker of the House of Representatives Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature Capitol Hill Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways and Means to which was referred:

House Local Bill No. 23-39: "To re-appropriate \$40,000.00 under Saipan Local Law 22-10 (Project Code 2007W); \$302,800.00 under Saipan Local Law 20-26 (Project Code 7190L); and \$920.00 under Saipan Local Law 19-18 (Project Code 3753E) for road repairs and construction of roads within Precinct IV and for the payment of street lights in Egigi Drive; and for other purposes."

begs leave to report as follows:

I. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

After conducting financial due diligence, your Committee recommends that House Local Bill No. 23-39 be transmitted to the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation for action.

HOUSE CLERK SOF RECEIVED BY 8:13a

Standing Committee Report No. **27-68** RE: House Local Bill No. 23-39 Date: January 17, 2024 Page 2

II. ANALYSIS:

A. Purpose:

The purpose of this Act is to re-appropriate \$40,000.00 under Saipan Local Law 22-10 (Project Code 2007W); \$302,800.00 under Saipan Local Law 20-26 (Project Code 7190L); and \$920.00 under Saipan Local Law 19-18 (Project Code 3753E) for road repairs and construction of roads within Precinct IV and for the payment of street lights in Egigi Drive.

B. Committee Findings:

Your Committee on Ways and Means to which House Local Bill No. 23-39: "To re-appropriate \$40,000.00 under Saipan Local Law 22-10 (Project Code 2007W); \$302,800.00 under Saipan Local Law 20-26 (Project Code 7190L); and \$920.00 under Saipan Local Law 19-18 (Project Code 3753E) for road repairs and construction of roads within Precinct IV and for the payment of street lights in Egigi Drive; and for other purposes." was referred, shall examine and confirm that the amount specified in the local appropriation Act is accurate and available for appropriation. Prior to the enactment of Saipan Local Law 22-10, members were advised of the availability of funding. An updated Fund Certification will be issued by the Department of Finance in the immediate future. Therefore, the Committee recommends that House Local Bill No. 23-39 be transmitted to the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation for action.

C. Legislative History:

House Local Bill No. 23-39 was introduced by Representative Joel C. Camacho and Representative Malcolm Omar on January 12, 2024 and was subsequently referred to the House Standing Committee on Ways and Means for disposition.

Standing Committee Report No. 23-68 RE: House Local Bill No. 23-39 Date: January 17, 2024 Page 3

III. CONCLUSION:

The Committee is content and confident with the prior certification of funds with respect to House Local Bill No. 23-39, therefore recommends that it be transmitted to the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation for action.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Ralph N. Yumul, Chairman

Rep. Roman C. Benavente, Member



Rep. Joel C. Camacho, Member

Rep. Manny Gregory T. Castro, Member

Rep. Thomas John DLC. Manglona, Member

Rep. John Paul P. Sablan, Member

Rep Denita K Yangetmai, Member

Reviewed by:

House Legal Counse

Rep. Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Vice Chair

Rep. Angelo A. Camacho, Member

Rep. Vicente C. Camacho, Member

Rep. Joseph A. Fløres, Member

Rep. Julie Marie A. Ogo, Member

Rep. Patrick H. San Nicolas, Member

Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 12, 2024

Third Ray. SESSION, 2023 H. L. B. 23-39

A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT FOR THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT

To re-appropriate \$40,000.00 under Saipan Local Law 22-10 (Project Code 2007W); \$302,800.00 under Saipan Local Law 20-26 (Project Code 7190L); and \$920.00 under Saipan Local Law 19-18 (Project Code 3753E) for road repairs and construction of roads within Precinct IV and for the payment of street lights in Egigi Drive; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT DELEGATION

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 1, TITLE 1 OF THE

COMMONWEALTH CODE:

1 **SECTION 1. PURPOSE.**

The purpose of this Act is to re-appropriate \$40,000.00 under Saipan

Local Law 22-10 (Project Code 2007W); \$302,800.00 under Saipan Local Law 3

4 20-26 (Project Code 7190L); and \$920.00 under Saipan Local Law 19-18 (Project

Code 3753E) for road repairs and construction of roads within Precinct IV and for 5

6 the payment of street lights in Egigi Drive and for other purposes.

7 **SECTION 2. RE-APPROPRIATION.**

8

9

10

2

Notwithstanding any provision(s) of law, statutes, rules or regulations to the contrary and pursuant to funds allocated to the Third Senatorial District the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation (SNILD) hereby re-

39

1. 5

HOUSE LOCAL BILL 23- 39

1.1

S	1	appropriate \$40,000.00 under Saipan Local Law 22-10 (Project Code 2007W);
	2	\$302,800.00 under Saipan Local Law 20-26 (Project Code 7190L); and \$920.00
	3	under Saipan Local Law 19-18 (Project Code 3753E) as follows:
	4	(a) For the road repairs and construction of San Ignacio Drive, Egigi
	5	Drive and other roads within Precinct IV; and
	6	(b) Payment of street lights in Egigi Drive.
	7	SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.
	8	The expenditure authority for the funds under Section 2(a) shall be the
	9	Secretary of the Department of Public Works and the expenditure authority for the
]	10	funds under Section 2(b) shall be the Secretary of Finance, in consultation with
1	11	the Executive Director of the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation.
]	12	SECTION 4. REPROGRAMMING.
]	13	Notwithstanding any laws, provisions, or regulations to the contrary, funds
]	14	appropriated under this act shall not be reprogrammed for any other purpose.
]	15	SECTION 5. FISCAL YEAR.
1	6	The funds allocated under this Act shall be without fiscal year
]	17	limitation(s).
]	8	SECTION 6. REPORTING OF EXPENDITURES.
]	9	Expenditures of the funds allocated under Section 2 of this Act shall be
2	20	responsible to report all expenses to the Chairperson of the Saipan and Northern
2	21	Islands Legislative Delegation a detail report showing the expenditure of the

funds. Provided further that failure to provide all expenses, entities that were afforded funds under this Act shall not be able to avail to any future funds appropriated by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation.

4 SECTION 7. FUND DISTRIBUTION.

ese.

5 Funds appropriated under Section 2 of this Act shall be distributed 6 accordingly to the intended purpose and or entity upon this Act becoming law.

7 SECTION 8. SEVERABILITY.

8 If any provision of this Act or the application of any such provision to any 9 person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent 10 jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act or the application of its provisions to 11 persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be 12 affected thereby.

13 SECTION 9. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of the Act shall not have the effect of terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in existence on the date this Act becomes effective.

21 SECTION 10. EFFECTIVE DATE.

in h

This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or its

2 becoming law without such approval.

Prefiled:

Date: 1/12/24

Introduced By:

4

Rep. Joel C. Camacho

Rep. Malcolm Omar

Reviewed for Legal Sufficiency by:

House Legal Counsel

1