



**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 07**  
**Series of 2023**

**AN EXECUTIVE ORDER CREATING THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP FOR SUSTAINABLE WATER AND SANITATION MANAGEMENT, AND WATER QUALITY MONITORING OF GENERAL SANTOS CITY**

**WHEREAS**, Article II Sec. 16 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution mandates that the State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

**WHEREAS**, Section 3.5 of the IRR of Chapter III – Water Supply of PD 856 states that the local health authority shall establish a Water Surveillance Program;

**WHEREAS**, the Sanitation Code of the Philippines (PD No. 856) has prescribed the standards and procedures in ensuring water quality and it is imperative that the same shall be fully implemented in all levels of the local government unit;

**WHEREAS**, the quality of all water sources in the City of General Santos should be regularly monitored and analyzed to ensure public health for the general welfare which is one of the primary responsibilities of all the local government units;

**WHEREAS**, Goal No.6 of the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) is to ensure the availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all;

**WHEREAS**, Section 112 of the Local Government Code of 1991 states that the local development councils may form sectoral or functional committees to assist them in the performance of their functions;

**WHEREAS**, the creation of the **Technical Working Group for Sustainable Water and Sanitation Management, and Water Quality Monitoring of General Santos City**, shall ensure that the local water quality, sanitation, hygiene, and monitoring are supervised and implemented.

**NOW THEREFORE I, LORELIE G. PACQUAIO**, by the virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Mayor of General Santos City, do hereby order:

**SECTION 1. CREATION OF THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP FOR SUSTAINABLE WATER AND SANITATION MANAGEMENT, AND WATER QUALITY MONITORING OF GENERAL SANTOS CITY.**

**SECTION 2. COMPOSITION.** The Technical Working Group for Sustainable Water and Sanitation Management, and Water Quality Monitoring shall be composed of but not limited to:

**Chairperson:** City Mayor or his/her duly Authorized Representative;  
**Vice Chairperson:** Chairperson, Sangguniang Panlungsod (SP) Committee on Health and Sanitation;

**Members:** City Health Office;  
City Engineer's Office;  
City Environment and Natural Resources Office;  
City Planning and Development Office;



City Agriculture Office;  
Representative, General Santos City Water District;  
Representative, Mindanao State University;  
Representative, Rural Waterworks and Sanitation Association

**Secretariat:** City Mayor's Office-Integrated Barangay Affairs

**SECTION 3. FUNCTIONS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.** The Committee shall carry out for the following functions, duties and responsibilities:

1. Conduct sectoral/intersectoral assessment, analysis, validation and reports;
2. Conduct of surveys, consultations, meetings and workshops;
3. Consolidation of research findings, consultation, survey outputs;
4. Assist and facilitate the formulation of Water Security Plan (WSP) and other plans related to water quality, sanitation, hygiene, and monitoring;
5. Institute remedial technical measures to correct the deficiencies of the water system;
6. Formulate and/or review local policies concerning implementation of water quality surveillance program;
7. Review and recommend the approval of water safety plans;
8. Ensure that all water service providers in the City have existing updated Water Safety Plan (WSP);
9. Initiate the regular collection and analysis of water samples as prescribed by laws or ordinances;
10. Conduct public information dissemination on the quality of drinking water in the locality;
11. Conduct monitoring of the water systems; and
12. Perform other functions as maybe assigned by the Local Chief Executive.

**SECTION 4. REGULAR MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG).** The regular meeting of the Technical Working Group shall be every second Friday of the month or as the need arises.

**SECTION 5. ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL SUPPORT.** The City Mayor's Office-Integrated Barangay Affairs (CMO-IBA), City Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO), and City Health Office (CHO) shall provide the administrative and operational support to the Technical Working Group.

**SECTION 6. BUDGETARY ALLOCATION.** Budget for the Technical Working Group's Administrative preparation and meeting expenses shall be allocated under the City Mayor's Office-Integrated Barangay Affairs (CMO-IBA). Other associated expenses related to services shall be lodged to the department or office concerned.

**SECTION 7. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All orders, memoranda, rules and regulations or any part/s thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any provision thereof is held invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of this Order not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY.** This order shall take effect immediately.



Done this 13 day of January, 2023 at General Santos City, Philippines.

  
**LORELIE GERONIMO PACQUIAO**  
City Mayor.

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