



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Oriental Mindoro
MUNICIPALITY OF ROXAS

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE JOURNAL OF THE 37TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE 12TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF ROXAS, ORIENTAL MINDORO HELD ON 23 MARCH 2026, 1:30 P.M. AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL.

Present:

Municipal Vice Mayor Robert S. Quiatchon	- Presiding Officer
Councilor Lucille T. Bacay	- Member
Councilor Marietta R. Pajila	- Member
Councilor David D. De La Cruz	- Member
Councilor Michael O. Pongyan	- Member
Councilor King Philip B. Dimapilis	- Member
Councilor Christopher Y. Carvajal	- Member
Councilor Gualberto V. Magno	- Member
Councilor Robert A. Baticos	- Member
Councilor Hermis S. Catapang	- President, Liga ng Barangay
Councilor Shekinah Grace C. Sanz	- Member, MSKF President

Absent:

NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 204
Series of 2026

RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE HONORABLE REXLON "REX" T. GATCHALIAN, SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT (DSWD), TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL AND FUEL ASSISTANCE TO TRICYCLE DRIVERS, VAN/COASTER DRIVERS, HABAL-HABAL/MOTORCYCLE RIDERS, AND BANCA OPERATORS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ROXAS, ORIENTAL MINDORO, TO MITIGATE THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF RISING FUEL PRICES

- WHEREAS, the transport sector of Roxas, Oriental Mindoro composed of tricycle, van, coaster, habal-habal, and motorized banca operators serves as the primary lifeline for the movement of people and goods within the municipality and to neighboring coastal areas;
- WHEREAS, the ongoing geopolitical tensions in the Middle East have caused a sustained surge in global oil prices, leading to high domestic fuel costs that disproportionately affect the informal and small-scale transport sectors;
- WHEREAS, this spike in fuel costs directly diminishes the daily take-home pay of our local transport workers, many of whom belong to the marginalized sector and are struggling to provide for the basic needs of their families;
- WHEREAS, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), under the leadership of Secretary Rexlon T. Gatchalian, implements the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situations (AICS) and other social safety net programs designed to support marginalized sectors during economic shocks;
- WHEREAS, providing timely financial and fuel assistance will not only alleviate the economic hardship of our drivers but also prevent a drastic increase in local fare rates and commodity prices, thereby protecting the general consuming public of Roxas;

ROBERT S. QUIATCHON

MARIA MAHARLIKA M. FABIC

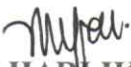
NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Councilor Sheikinah Grace C. Sanz duly seconded by Councilor Gualberto V. Magno –

BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved to respectfully request the Honorable Secretary of the DSWD, Rexlon T. Gatchalian, to extend financial and fuel assistance to the tricycle drivers, van/coaster drivers, habal-habal/motorcycle riders, and banca operators of Roxas, Oriental Mindoro.

RESOLVED FURTHER that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the DSWD Central Office and the DSWD Regional Office (MIMAROPA) for their consideration and appropriate action.

Adopted: 23 March 2026

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


MARIA MAHARLIKA M. FABIC
Acting Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

ATTESTED:


ROBERT S. QUIATCHON
Municipal Vice Mayor

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