

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	FISCAL NOTES	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
233-38 (COR)	Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 40114.1 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 40, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ASSIGNING A PORTION OF LOT NO. 87-5-R2 IN HAGÁTÑA, TO THE HAGÁTÑA MAYOR'S OFFICE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY SPORTS AND RECREATION FACILITIES, AND TO FURTHER AUTHORIZING THAT OFFICE TO ENTER INTO MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT WITH NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OF SPORTS FACILITIES ON A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY IDENTIFIED HEREIN.	11/24/25 11:17 a.m.	12/3/25	Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure.	Request: 12/3/25 12/11/25	3/3/26 8:30 a.m.	3/5/26 As Amended.	Exhibit A

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
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Chairperson - Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure



March 4, 2026

Honorable Frank F. Blas, Jr
Speaker
Mina'trentai Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

VIA: Honorable V. Anthony Ada 
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Re: Committee Report on Bill No. 233- 38 (COR)

Håfa adai Speaker Blas:

Transmitted herewith is the Committee Report on **Bill No. 233-38 (COR)** As amended by the Committee – Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao – “AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 40114.1 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 40, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ASSIGNING A PORTION OF LOT NO. 87-5-R2 IN HAGÁTÑA, TO THE HAGÁTÑA MAYOR’S OFFICE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY SPORTS AND RECREATION FACILITIES, AND TO FURTHER AUTHORIZING THAT OFFICE TO ENTER INTO MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT WITH NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OF SPORTS FACILITIES ON A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY IDENTIFIED HEREIN.”

Committee votes are as follows:

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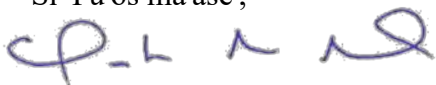


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COMMITTEE REPORT

Bill No. 233-38 (COR)

As Amended by the Committee on Land, Environment, Housing,
Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure

Introduced by Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao

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by Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada

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March 4, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members
Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure

From: Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada 
Committee Chairperson

Subject: Committee Report on Bill No. 233-38 (COR) As amended

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This report includes the following:

- Copy of COR Referral of Bill No. 233-38 (COR)
- Notices of Public Hearing & Other Correspondence
- Copy of the Public Hearing Agenda
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Copies of Submitted Testimonies & Supporting Documents
- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest
- Copy of Bill No. 233-38 (COR)
- Copy of Bill No. 233-38 (COR) as amended by the Committee
- Amended Mark-Up Version
- Copy of Fiscal Note from Bureau of Budget and Management Research

Please take the appropriate action on the attached vote sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Si Yu'os ma'åse'



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairperson
I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
38th Guam Legislature

December 3, 2025

To: **Rennae V. C. Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Darleen Hiton
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada** 
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 233-38 (COR)**

Håfa Adai,

As per my authority as Chairperson of the Committee on Rules and subject to §6.01(d)(1), Rule VI of our Standing Rules, I am forwarding the referral of **Bill No. 233-38 (COR)** – Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao. – “AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 40114.1 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 40, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ASSIGNING A PORTION OF LOT NO. 87-5-R2 IN HAGÁTÑA, TO THE HAGÁTÑA MAYOR’S OFFICE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY SPORTS AND RECREATION FACILITIES, AND TO FURTHER AUTHORIZING THAT OFFICE TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE GUAM FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OF A FOOTBALL PITCH AND RELATED FACILITIES ON A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY IDENTIFIED HEREIN.”

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred to Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure chaired by Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada. I also request that the same be copied to the Prime Sponsor of the subject bill and to Management Information Services (MIS) for posting on our website.

A copy of the bill is available on our legislative website.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Kamarin Nelson, Committee on Rules Director at 671-472-2461.





FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing: February 3, 2026

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada <vicespeakertonyada@guamlegislature.gov> Tue, Jan 27, 2026 at 8:29 AM
Bcc: phnotice@guamlegislature.gov, "michael.gumataotao@mcog.guam.gov" <michael.gumataotao@mcog.guam.gov>, Donna Herrero <donna.herrero@dpw.guam.gov>, Vince Arriola <vince.arriola@dpw.guam.gov>, Linda Ibanez <linda.ibanez@dpw.guam.gov>, Chelsa Muna <Chelsa.Muna@doag.guam.gov>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

January 27, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders, Media
From: Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada
Re: FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing: February 3, 2026

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38th Guam Legislature

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Chairperson - Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure

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PUBLIC HEARING

 **Posted on:** 01/27/2026 09:23 AM

 **Posted by:** Erin Grajek, Committee Director

 **Public Hearing Date:** 02/03/2026 08:30 AM


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Office Submitting Request: Office of Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada

Date of Request: January 26, 2026

POINT OF CONTACT

Name: Erin M. Grajek

Contact #: 989-0855 (ex. 2400)

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PUBLIC HEARING DETAILS

Notice Type: Public Hearing Informational Briefing Roundtable Discussion

Oversight Hearing Committee Meeting Other: _____

Notice Title / Bill(s) / Resolution(s) / Appointment: Notice of Public Hearing: February 3, 2026 (FIRST NOTICE: 01/27/26 - SECOND NOTICE: 02/01/26)

Date of Event: February 3, 2026 Start Time: 8:30 am

End Time: 12 pm (or until adjourned)

Location: Public Hearing Room, Guam Congress Building

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CHANGE to FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing: February 3, 2026

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada <vicespeakertonyada@guamlegislature.gov>

Fri, Jan 30, 2026 at 2:11 PM

Bcc: phnotice@guamlegislature.gov, Chelsa Muna <Chelsa.Muna@doag.guam.gov>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

January 30, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders, Media

From: Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada

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38th Guam Legislature

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SECOND NOTICE of Public Hearing: February 2, 2026

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada <vicespeakertonyada@guamlegislature.gov> Sun, Feb 1, 2026 at 8:30 AM
Bcc: phnotice@guamlegislature.gov, "Michael Gumataotao@mcog.guam.gov" <michael.gumataotao@mcog.guam.gov>, Donna Herrero <donna.herrero@dpw.guam.gov>, Vince Arriola <vince.arriola@dpw.guam.gov>, Linda Ibanez <linda.ibanez@dpw.guam.gov>, Chelsa Muna <Chelsa.Muna@doag.guam.gov>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

February 1, 2026

MEMORANDUM

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Testimony
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Before the 38th Legislature of Guam

Buenas Yan Háfa Adai.

My name is Michael Gumataotao, and I proudly serve as Mayor of the Municipality of Hagåtña, the capital of Guam.

I would like to thank Vice Speaker Anthony Ada and the honorable members of the Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure for the opportunity to present this testimony today. I also wish to thank Senator Shawn Gumataotao for his leadership and efforts in crafting Bill No. 233-38.

I appear before you today to express my strong support for Bill No. 233-38, which assigns Lot No. 87-5-R2 in Hagåtña to the Hagåtña Mayor's Office for the development of a community sports and recreational facilities that will serve the residents of Hagåtña and surrounding villages, while welcoming all as our island's capital.

Bill No. 233-38 represents a meaningful investment in the long-term health, development, and well-being of the residents of Hagåtña and neighboring communities. As the capital, Hagåtña is a central gathering place for government, culture, and public life, and its facilities naturally serve the broader public. This measure prioritizes our youth by



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promoting healthy lifestyles, physical activity, teamwork, and positive social interaction—benefits that extend beyond municipal lines and reflect the welcoming nature of our capital.

As Mayor of Hagåtña, I am especially proud to highlight my collaboration with Senator Shawn Gumataotao and the Guam Football Association in achieving the transfer of property necessary to build a fully funded soccer pitch in our municipality. This partnership reflects a shared commitment to youth development and community recreation, while creating opportunities accessible to residents and visitors alike.

Importantly, this property transfer will also allow for the expansion of the Hagåtña River Walk, further enhancing a public space enjoyed by residents of Hagåtña, surrounding villages, and visitors to our capital. Future plans include the addition of a children's playground, and creating a family-friendly environment that promotes wellness, recreation, and community connection. This effort is supported by the Hagåtña Restoration and Redevelopment Authority (HRRRA), confirming that the project aligns with long-term revitalization and redevelopment goals for the capital. In addition, a resolution of support from the Hagåtña Municipal Planning Council has been issued in support of this measure and will be formally submitted to the Legislature for the record.

This bill ensures that the property remains a public asset, dedicated exclusively to sports and recreational use. Oversight by the Hagåtña Mayor's Office allows for responsible management, continued accessibility, and alignment with the needs of local residents while maintaining an open and welcoming space befitting the capital.

Through a Memorandum of Agreement with the Guam Football Association, the Hagåtña Mayor's Office advances its vision for developing and managing these facilities. This partnership combines the village's stewardship of public land with the association's expertise in sports development and facility management, demonstrating how collaboration can deliver lasting benefits to our residents and the broader community.

Additionally, the International Volleyball Federation (IFVB) has expressed interest in funding the construction of regulation-sized volleyball courts suitable for international competition. I fully support this effort, which would expand competitive sports opportunities and further establish Hagåtña as a welcoming venue for athletic events in the heart of our island.

Furthermore, Bill No. 233-38 aligns with the goals of the Hagåtña Master Plan, which emphasizes thoughtful land use, walkable and accessible public spaces, and community-oriented amenities that serve residents while welcoming the broader public. Activating this



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underutilized parcel strengthens connections between village infrastructure and public spaces and encourages positive, healthy activities.

In closing, the development of this sports and recreational facility represents a responsible and forward-looking investment in Hagåtña—one that serves its residents and surrounding villages, welcomes all who come to our capital, supports our youth and families, and preserves public land for public use.

I respectfully urge the Honorable Members of the 38th Guam Legislature to support Bill No. 233-38 and allow this important project to move forward.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Gumataotao
Mayor, Municipality of Hagåtña





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Dear Vice Speaker Ada:

On behalf of the Hagåtña Restoration and Redevelopment Authority (HARRA), thank you for the opportunity to comment on Bill No. 233-38 (COR). HARRA appreciates the Committee’s attention to the future of public open space and community recreation facilities in the capital city

HARRA’s overall position

HARRA recognizes that Lot 87-5-R2, across from the Hagåtña Mayor’s Office and within the area historically understood as Hagåtña Central Park, is an appropriate location for community sports and recreation facilities, including a football pitch, and that such facilities would bring visible benefits to residents of Hagåtña and neighboring villages. The Board also sees this as a potential

near-term, tangible improvement for the capital that can be delivered in partnership with the Mayor, the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), and the Guam Football Association (GFA).

At the same time, HRRRA has a statutory mandate under its founding legislation, Public Law 24-110, to lead the restoration and redevelopment of Hagåtña as the capital city, including the coordination of major public improvements, open spaces, and community facilities within a defined district. In exercising this mandate, the Board is mindful of DPR's legal responsibility under Chapter 77, Title 21, Guam Code Annotated, to steward the Guam Territorial Park System and recreation areas, and of the Mayor's role in local control and minor maintenance of community parks. In light of these responsibilities and the Commissioners' recent discussion, HRRRA does not oppose Bill No. 233-38 (COR). The Board believes there is a path to implement the bill in a way that both delivers a valued community sports facility and respects the respective mandates of HRRRA, DPR, and the Mayor's Office.

Key observations on the introduced bill

1. Positive alignment with HRRRA's mandate
 - By dedicating up to 18,000 square meters of Lot 87-5-R2 for a football pitch and related community sports and recreation facilities, Bill No. 233-38 (COR) advances HRRRA's objective of strengthening Hagåtña's role as the island's civic and recreational center.
 - The bill's allowance for walking paths and connections to the existing plan for the Hagåtña Riverwalk Trail, as described in § 40114.1(h), supports HRRRA's broader aim of enhancing pedestrian connectivity and public access to riverfront and open spaces in the capital.
2. Governance and coordination issues
 - The bill places full planning, procurement, operation, and maintenance authority for the facilities under the Hagåtña Mayor's Office and authorizes a lease of up to thirty (30) years to GFA for management and improvements.
 - As noted in HRRRA's internal analysis, long-term arrangements of this kind on a major public site can reduce flexibility to adjust layout, programming, or access if future capital-city needs evolve, unless there are clear coordination and review mechanisms involving HRRRA and DPR.
 - Existing statutes do not yet fully explain how HRRRA, DPR, and the Mayor should work together when major projects are proposed in parks, plazas, or waterfront open spaces, which can create uncertainty even when all parties share the same goals.
3. Public access and community benefit
 - The introduced bill requires that the facilities be made available for public use and prohibits commercial uses inconsistent with community recreation, which is consistent with HRRRA's interest in preserving public benefit on this strategic parcel.

- HRRRA’s previous technical analysis suggested additional operating policies, community use schedules, and safeguards on any lease or memorandum of agreement to ensure fair access for residents, schools, and village leagues; these remain important considerations as implementation proceeds, even if they are addressed in agreements rather than statutory text.

HRRRA recommendations to the Legislature

Without proposing detailed redline language at this time, HRRRA respectfully offers the following substantive recommendations for how Bill No. 233-38 (COR) can be interpreted or supplemented—through committee report, conditions on any memorandum of agreement or lease, or future legislation—to align with HRRRA’s statutory mandate while allowing the project to move forward.

1. Affirm HRRRA’s role based on its enabling law
 - HRRRA asks that any legislative findings, committee report, or implementing agreements refer to HRRRA’s statutory mandate under Public Law 24-110—to facilitate the restoration, redevelopment, and enhancement of Hagåtña as the capital city—rather than relying on the term “Hagåtña Masterplan,” which has not yet been formally approved by the Legislature.
 - This approach reflects the Board’s consensus that HRRRA should “stay in its lane” by grounding its role in existing law while still coordinating closely with DPR and the Mayor to deliver projects in the public interest.
2. Ensure structured coordination with HRRRA and DPR on design and subdivision
 - HRRRA recommends that the Department of Land Management be directed, whether by committee report or implementing agreements, to consult with HRRRA and DPR when surveying and, if necessary, subdividing Lot 87-5-R2, so that rights-of-way, open space corridors, and pedestrian connections are preserved consistent with the capital-city public realm envisioned in existing plans and policies.
 - HRRRA further recommends that site planning, architectural and landscape design, and circulation for the facilities be reviewed in consultation with HRRRA, to ensure that investments on this parcel support broader goals for Hagåtña’s public spaces and linkages.
3. Embed public access and community programming safeguards in the MOA and lease
 - HRRRA recommends that any memorandum of agreement or lease between the Mayor’s Office and GFA include, at minimum: clearly stated maintenance standards for the facilities; published policies on fair and reasonable public access, including designated times for open community use, youth programming, and joint-use parking for any adjacent public facilities; and provisions to balance organized league play with school and community recreation.

- These kinds of conditions can be implemented contractually, even if they are not all specified in the statute, and will help ensure that a long-term lease continues to serve the broader community over time.
4. Pursue future amendments to clarify HRRR–DPR–Mayor roles
- Separately from Bill No. 233-38 (COR), HRRR recommends that I Liheslaturan Guåhan consider future amendments to HRRR’s founding legislation to clearly define how HRRR, DPR, and the Mayor coordinate on major projects affecting parks, plazas, and waterfront open space in Hagåtña.
 - As outlined in prior correspondence to the HRRR Board, such amendments could recognize DPR’s statutory stewardship over the Territorial Park System; designate HRRR as the lead facilitator of capital improvements in Hagåtña’s public realm; and create a simple, time-limited review process so that projects are consistent with park and community laws while giving HRRR predictable timelines.

Conclusion

Bill No. 233-38 (COR) presents an opportunity to deliver a visible sports and recreation asset in Hagåtña in the near term, in a way that can complement HRRR’s long-range work to restore and redevelop the capital city. HRRR does not oppose the bill and stands ready to collaborate with the Mayor’s Office, DPR, GFA, and I Liheslaturan Guåhan to ensure that the planning, design, and operation of the facilities on Lot 87-5-R2 advance our shared objective of a vibrant, accessible, and well-connected capital for all of Guåhan.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments and for your continued support of efforts to revitalize Hagåtña.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Testimony In Support of Bill 233-38
Before the 38th Legislature of Guam**

Hafa Adai, my name is Herman Ada and I am the president of the Guam Volleyball Federation, the governing body for organized volleyball activities in Guam.

I would like to thank Vice Speaker Anthony Ada, the honorable members of the Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure for the opportunity to testify in support of Bill 233-38 and the possibility of including beach volleyball. I also want to thank Senator Shawn Gumataotao for the foresight and leadership in proposing this legislation.

I want to speak today about why this bill represents a meaningful inflection point for volleyball on Guam, and why that matters well beyond a single site or a single sport.

Guam has a real opportunity tied to beach volleyball, at the youth level, at the community level, and at the international level. What has held us back has not been interest or participation. It has been the absence of dedicated, publicly accessible infrastructure.

Today, nearly all competitive beach volleyball on Guam takes place in one location, adjacent to a private establishment, a beach bar. That reality reflects demand, but it also highlights a gap. Guam does not yet have a purpose-built public venue that can properly support youth development, school programs, families, or international competition.

Despite that, Guam's results speak for themselves.

Our youth girls team won the gold medal at the Oceania Under-18 Beach Volleyball Championships, earning qualification within the Youth Olympic Games pathway. This October, they will compete at the Youth Olympic Games, marking the first time in Guam's history that a volleyball team has qualified for that level of competition.



At the senior level, Guam's women's team earned the bronze medal at the Pacific Mini Games, advancing to the semifinals and losing only to the eventual gold medal winners. That performance has caught the attention of the international volleyball community. As a result, Guam is now being offered technical and logistical support to help our athletes continue developing along a high-performance pathway, with the long-term objective of competing at the Los Angeles or Brisbane Olympic Games.

These achievements were accomplished without dedicated public beach volleyball facilities. They demonstrate that the talent, coaching, and commitment already exist. What has been missing is the infrastructure.

This is why this bill matters.

Beach volleyball is not only a community sport, it is also a proven driver of sports tourism. FIVB, the world governing body for volleyball, actively supports the development of beach volleyball venues capable of hosting international competition. With the right facilities, Guam is positioned to host sanctioned international events that bring athletes, officials, media, and visitors from across Asia, Oceania, and beyond.

A useful regional comparison is Palau. Palau invested in dedicated beach volleyball courts, and as a result, FIVB designated Palau as an International Development Center. Palau is now in discussions to host the Under-18 Beach Volleyball World Championships, an event that would bring 64 boys' and girls' teams from around the world to compete for the top age-group title globally.

That opportunity followed infrastructure investment. It is the type of event Guam could have hosted. The difference was not talent, programs, or regional credibility. The difference was readiness. We did not have the venue.

This bill represents the first time the Legislature is directly engaging with that reality. Senator Gumataotao's leadership reflects an understanding that volleyball, particularly beach volleyball, presents an opportunity not just for recreation, but for youth development, international visibility, and tourism growth.

The Guam Volleyball Federation has met with the Mayor of Hagåtña and is working with his team to support the development and maintenance of beach volleyball facilities. This coordination will ensure these facilities are used effectively for youth programs, local community activities, and international professional and amateur events.



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In closing, I want to thank the Legislature and Senator Gumataotao for working to include beach volleyball in this bill. That step is meaningful, and it is appreciated. At the same time, our community would respectfully challenge you to see this as the beginning, not the end. Beyond this land use allocation, there are tangible, existing opportunities to strengthen Guam's tourism product, elevate our international profile, and improve community standards through thoughtful, experience-driven development. Beach volleyball presents one such opportunity, and it is ready to move forward in a big way.

The Guam Volleyball Federation would welcome the opportunity to engage more closely with the Legislature. We already have direct access to international professional and amateur beach volleyball events that raise Guam's profile and deliver tangible benefits to our island's economy through visitation, exposure, and sustained international engagement. The opportunity is here, and Guam needs to seize it.

Thank you for the opportunity to place these remarks on the record.

Sincerely,

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RE: Testimony in Support of Bill No. 233-38 (COR)

Buenas yan Háfa Adai, Chairperson, and Honorable Senators of the Thirty-Eighth Guam Legislature.

My name is Chima Mbakwem, and I am writing to express my strong support for Bill No. 233-38, introduced by Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao. I know the bill's author personally, having worked closely during the COVID-19 pandemic response. I had the opportunity to attend coaching classes together and still play football (also called soccer) on rival teams. I support this bill because expanding Guam's football infrastructure is not just about building fields. It is about creating healthier people, stronger communities, and brighter futures.

Football has been central to my life for decades, as a player, national team coach, parent, and community advocate in Guam. I currently serve as Chairperson of the Guam Football Association's 2022-2026 Strategic Review Committee. Our four-year strategic plan, **"Growth for the Next Generation,"** was introduced at a pivotal time after the COVID-19 pandemic, bringing renewed hope to football players and families on our island. The plan aims to strengthen club structures, enhance our national teams' international competitiveness, and develop strong grassroots programs for long-term success. Achieving these goals depends on having quality facilities where players can thrive, and families can participate and support them.

I have witnessed how access to safe, well-maintained recreational spaces can transform lives. Football remains among the most accessible sports globally. On our island, this is evident daily. A visit to the GFA facility in Harmon during football season reveals significant community engagement, with numerous participants and supportive family members present. The popularity of football continues to grow on our island. The sport requires minimal equipment and is inclusive of all age groups, from youth to elders. Investing in football facilities is, therefore, an investment in community inclusion.

This bill acknowledges the vital role of community sports facilities in promoting physical and mental health. Regular exercise reduces the risk of chronic disease, supports heart

Chima Mbakwem
Testimony in Support of Bill No. 233-38 (COR)

health, and improves fitness. Football, in particular, helps reduce stress, build confidence, encourage discipline, and create a sense of belonging. As our island faces increasing mental health challenges, especially among young people, this support is more important than ever.

Bill No. 233-38 designates a portion of public land in Hagåtña for the establishment of a community football field and recreational facilities. According to the bill, the land will remain accessible to the public and will be managed by the Hagåtña Mayor's Office. Collaboration with the Guam Football Association is expected to facilitate the effective development, maintenance, and utilization of this space for community benefit.

The goal of the bill is to maximize public benefit, not to privatize the land or restrict access. A well-managed facility supports youth development, family activities, organized sports, and community engagement. It provides young people with positive opportunities, encourages active participation, and ensures a safe environment for growth.

This facility, when completed, will create more opportunities for off-island teams to practice and compete with local teams, supporting tourism and economic growth. Guam's consistent weather makes it an attractive destination for year-round training, especially during winter. The facility also supports GFA's strategic goal of developing strong grassroots programs for long-term success. Increased competition with overseas teams will strengthen local players and improve our national teams' international competitiveness.

I am confident that President Tino San Gil and General Secretary Joe Cepeda will honor their commitment to constructing a community facility. I trust they will obtain the required funding and ensure the project adheres to high standards and international requirements.

In conclusion, I urge the Legislature to view this bill as a strategic, long-term investment in the people of Guam. Initiatives of this nature yield substantial benefits, including reduced healthcare costs, enhanced community cohesion, and improved health outcomes for future generations.

Thank you for your leadership, your time, and your commitment to the well-being of our island. I respectfully request your support for Bill No. 233-38.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'.



Respectfully,
Chima.

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Bill No. 233-38 (COR) – Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao – "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 40114.1 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 40, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ASSIGNING A PORTION OF LOT NO. 87-5-R2 IN HAGÁTÑA, TO THE HAGÁTÑA MAYOR'S OFFICE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY SPORTS AND RECREATION FACILITIES, AND TO FURTHER AUTHORIZING THAT OFFICE TO ENTER INTO MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT WITH NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OF SPORTS FACILITIES ON A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY IDENTIFIED HEREIN."

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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

I. OVERVIEW

Bill No. 233-38 (COR) was introduced on **November 24, 2025**, by Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao and was subsequently referred to the Committee on Rules to the Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure on **December 3, 2025**.

The Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure convened a public hearing on **February 3, 2026**, at 8:30 am at the Public Hearing Room of the Guam Congress Building.

Public Notice Requirements

Public Hearing notices were disseminated via **e-mail** to all senators and all main media broadcasting outlets on **January 27, 2026** (5-Day Notice), and again on **February 1, 2026** (48-Hour Notice).

Senators Present

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada – Committee Chairperson
Senator Christopher M. Duenas – Committee Vice Chairperson
Senator Eulogio S. Gumataotao
Senator Therese M. Terlaje

Attendees

Michael Gumataotao, Mayor – Municipality of Hagåtña
Valentino San Gil – Guam Football Association
Iris Gaza – Academy of Our Lady of Guam
Jillette Leon Guerrero, Executive Director – Hagåtña Restoration and Redevelopment Authority
Joe Roberto – Wolverines Soccer Club
Herman Ada – Guam Volleyball Association
Joseph Borja, Director – Department of Land Management

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Michael Gumataotao, Mayor – Municipality of Hagåtña
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II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairman – Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure: We're going to go ahead and proceed to the next bill number 233-38 (COR), introduced by Senator Gumataotao. What I'll do is I'll go ahead and have him do his

opening and then we'll proceed from there with those who will be providing testimony. Senator Gumataotao.

Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao, Primary Author: Thank you so much, Mr. Chair, and good morning and good morning to everyone that's here at the Guam Congress Building and watching online via YouTube and again thank you Mr. Chair for scheduling this public hearing on Bill 233 which I introduced at the request of the Hagåtña Mayor and I appreciate the opportunity to begin our discussion on the bill with these opening remarks. Mr. Chair, Bill 233 represents a desire by the Hagåtña mayor to develop much needed sports activities on Government of Guam property which is located directly across from the Hagåtña Mayor's Office and the Community Center. If approved, this legislation authorizes the Hagåtña Mayor to utilize an area of up to 18,000 square meters of the property identified as lot number 87-5-R2 subject to validation by the Department of Land Management consisting of approximately 49,777 square meters for a football pitch and community sports and recreational facilities which shall be made available for public use. Mr. Chair, as drafted, the bill authorizes the Hagåtña Mayor's Office to lease a portion of the land to the Guam Football Association for a period to be mutually agreed upon by both parties, but not to exceed 30 years. The Guam Football Association shall not have the authority to sublet, transfer, or assign such lease to other parties without prior approval of the Guam Legislature. If space permits, the Hagåtña Mayor's Office is authorized in this bill to include additional community amenities such as walking paths, including routes connecting to the Hagåtña Riverwalk Trail, as described in the Hagåtña Master Plan, a children's playground, and a community pavilion or covered gathering area to enhance recreational opportunities and encourage community engagement to include volleyball courts as you'll hear about a bit or a bit more this morning from the Hagåtña Mayor. Mr. Chair, Bill 233 is put forward recognizing the desire by the Hagåtña Mayor's Office to create community sports and recreational activities and complement existing programs in our capital city. Bill 233 further recognizes the successful partnerships which have been established between the Government of Guam and the community organizations particularly the Guam Football Association and their activities in which an estimated 3,500 youth and 1,500 adult members me included from across our 19 villages are in fact engaged in today. Mr. Chair, the subject area in Hagåtña offers an exponential benefit to sports and tourism when both need it most. This particular public space will have a positive impact on our children and families in our capital city and the surrounding areas to include the Guam Department of Education, charter and private schools and athletic organizations which will have a chance to utilize the football pitch, the playground, volleyball courts, the walking paths, the green space in that it's envisioned in bill 233. With that, Mr. Chair, I look forward to the presentations this morning, including amendments that may be needed to strengthen Bill 233 moving forward. Si Yu'os Ma'åse', Mr. Chairman, for the time.

Chairman Ada: Thank you, Senator Gumataotao. I'd like to call up to the table now Mr. Borja from the Department of Land Management. Will you be providing oral testimony, sir? Okay. Thank you. All right. Thank you, Mr. Borja. I'd like to call up to the table also Mayor Gumataotao from Hagåtña, Valentino San Gil from GFA, Iris Gaza, you'll be providing oral testimony, Gillette Leongerero from HRRA, Mr. Herman Ada, Joe Rosario, Roberto, and those are the only individuals that indicated that they wanted to provide oral testimony on this bill. So, we'll go ahead and start out with Hagåtña Mayor, sir, you're recognized.

Michael Gumataotao, Mayor – Municipality of Hagåtña: [Written testimony presented orally]

Chairman Ada: Thank you, Mr. Mayor, for your testimony this morning. I'll go ahead and call in Mr. Valentino San Gil for his testimony.

Mr. Valentino San Gil, Guam Football Association: Good morning, Speaker Frank Blas, Vice Speaker Anthony Ada, Senator Shawn Gumataotao, Senator Chris Dueñas, Christopher Dueñas,

Senator Therese Terlaje, and Senator Telo Taitague. Thank you for this opportunity to speak on behalf of Guam Football and for the bill that is being proposed today. So, last year, I'll give you a short story of how this came about. Last year on May, the president of FIFA introduced this new project. It's a project that he wanted to put 1,000 FIFA arenas around the world. Okay so, Guam was granted two FIFA arenas to be constructed here. In fact, they wanted us to construct this arena starting last year, September, but I told them that we don't have the property in place to build this and in fact, yesterday they just called me up says, "Tino, when are we going to start the project?" Because, you know, the president wants to push this project through, so I said, we're working on the land documents right now. Okay, I've been going around to the different mayors since last year looking for suitable areas that we can build these facilities. These facilities will be fully funded by FIFA, only the government has to provide the property so that we can put it and it's going to be for the public use. It's not, it's a donation from FIFA to the people of Guam, okay. It's going to be utilized by everyone, okay. The building and the construction costs will be funded by FIFA. They want to send two of these facilities right away to Guam and that's why I spoke with Senator Shawn Gumataotao. Please, I do not want to lose this funding or this opportunity to build these facilities. If we don't utilize it, it returns back to FIFA and is given to another country and I don't think it's right for us to send it back when we have an opportunity to build it here, so we met and of course Mayor Gumataotao expressed interest that he wanted to build it in Hagåtña and I do believe because I'm originally from Agaña or Hagåtña that this place is a capital we should look at building it here because we have schools like Bishop Baumgartner, C.L. Taitano, Agueda that can utilize this. We're building facilities right now in Agat, okay, and that's another project that FIFA is funding. After Agat, it goes to Talofofu, but these mini pitches because of the limited land resources around the world and it costs more money to build the bigger facilities. FIFA wants to introduce these small projects, and the property size is not large. It's only 40 meters by 20 meters, which is about 800 square meters, and I see that the property is 49,000 square meters, so, it's basically the size of a basketball court or a little bit bigger than a basketball court or a tennis court. The property that we're going to build will be built for the people, but it's going to be managed by the Mayor of Hagåtña, okay. Yes we'll be in collaboration with the mayor of Hagåtña in case he needs additional resources like if needs repairs we can do that but it's going to be basically run by the Hagåtña Mayor and he has an opportunity to utilize it for the schools for the public so basically it's almost like the tennis courts you know the tennis court will have utilization the same way that the football pitch that we're introducing. My biggest problem now today that I'm going to share with you and I shared it with Senator Shawn Gumataotao is that we have three of these facilities, two from FIFA and one from AFC, but I have no other location yet. We identified, but we need those properties in place to build these facilities. So, I support this Bill 233-38, and I think it's a good, property to start with, but we need to locate another property or another two locations so that we can build the additional three that we're entitled this year. So, thank you again for introducing this proposal Senator Gumataotao and I fully support and of course my staff is always looking at me man you know you're building so much that how are you going to manage all of this but now this is going to be managed by the mayor so thank you again for this opportunity, thank you.

Chairman Ada: Thank you, Mr. San Gil, go ahead and call now Ms. Iris Gaza for your testimony.

Ms. Iris Gaza - Academy of Our Lady of Guam: Thank you, Vice Speaker Ada, Speaker Frank Blas, Senator Shawn Gumataotao, Senator Christopher Dueñas, Senator Therese Terlaje, and Senator Telo Taitague. My name is Iris Gaza from the Academy of Our Lady of Guam, I'm the principal, and I'm here just to voice my full support for this development. As a person who deals with the youth on a daily basis, having the opportunity for our students, not just our girls at the Academy, but for our students to have a space in the capital would be very beneficial. Often times we have to travel very far just to have a home game for soccer or for volleyball or I'm sorry not for volley for beach volleyball and other facilities for rugby, so having something within the vicinity would be very beneficial, but not only that, even the just for our girls to run outside and practice, we have had cases where we've had our girls approached by the homeless running around this area, so having a dedicated space uh a

walkway that they can use would be very safe for them, especially being right across the mayor's office and so on behalf of the academy and other private schools, we would be in full support of this and we look forward to it passing hopefully and being built. Thank you.

Chairman Ada: Thank you, ma'am, for your testimony. I'll recognize Ms. Jillette Leon Guerrero from the HERRA. Ma'am, you're recognized.

Ms. Jillette Leon Guerrero, Executive Director – Hagåtña Restoration and Redevelopment Authority: [Written Testimony Presented Orally]

Chairman Ada: Thank you, Miss Leon Guerrero. I guess that's the only testimony we need. We'll just go ahead and conclude our public hearing. Thank you for your testimony, Mr. Roberto. Sir, you can go ahead and provide your testimony.

Mr. Joe Roberto - Wolverines Soccer Club: Håfa Adai everyone, good morning. Thank you for the opportunity to speak. My name is Joe Roberto, former president of the Windward Wolverine Soccer Club, in Ipan or Talofofu. Thank you, Speaker Frank Blas, Vice Speaker Anthony Ada, Coach Sean, Senator Gumataotao, Senator Chris Dueñas, Senator Terlaje, and she left Senator Telo Taitague, but, anyway, thank you for the opportunity to speak here. I really come from a point of view from personal experiences and over the past many years. The opportunity to have such an investment here allows for greater adventure for our kids, our youth. Having been president of a soccer club, a youth organization along with adults ranging from four years old, as old as 70, our club consists of approximately 2 to 300 persons here on Guam, locals and they have the opportunity to go off island and many thanks to the GFA, Tino San Gil and his entire staff. My daughter was a recipient of such opportunities and now my grandson, they have traveled to many places in Asia, also the teachings, the lessons that come from sports, they have to work with other kids. They have to work with coaches, they have to work with other teams and it builds character. It builds things that lessons that aren't really taught at home. In addition to what is taught at home, they learn from positive teamwork, also my daughter who was in the national team since she was 11 was provided the opportunity for a college to actually save her parents some money because of college and it really did help to some degree, but at the same time it just opens doors and having such an opportunity for this and man, I tell you, mayor, you're very fortunate because I'm praying this goes through and we're in full support of this because the opportunities for sports, I mean, the teams from off island to come here, it brings in new dollars along with the other facilities that are currently being built. Also being a part of the Guam Contractors Association, we send out these bids or solicitations through the GCA and it allows for local contractors to win these jobs and that helps bringing these outside dollars into Guam, the much needed dollars, outside dollars into and new monies into the local economy, and that's building a better economy with new dollars, not just recycled dollars, but new monies from outside. There's so much more that can be shared and I think there's a lot more or a lot others that can share such positive stories, but it's just a good thing, and the more opportunities that we can provide to our youth, to our parents, to our grandparents to just come and watch a simple soccer game, that all in itself is a blessing. I want to thank you for this opportunity once again, and we are in full support of Bill 233. Thank you, Tino. Thank you, senators. Let's make this happen, ASAP. Thank you.

Chairman Ada: Thank you, Mr. Roberto, for your testimony. I'm going to go ahead and start off the questioning with my colleagues. No, I didn't want Herman to, I'm sorry I missed you, Mr. Ada. I'll go ahead and recognize Herman Ada for, I was just thinking of yeah, sir. You're recognized.

Mr. Herman Ada – Guam Volleyball Federation: [Written testimony presented orally]

Chairman Ada: Thank you, Mr. Ada, for your testimony. I almost missed you, but you got it in. Chairman Ada thanked the panel and recognized **Senator Christopher M. Dueñas**.

Senator Dueñas did not have questions and said it sounded like an absolute outstanding project and thanked the panel for being there. He said that we have been talking about Hagåtña for the longest time. Under the Calvo administration we had a really aggressive restoration plan. He had the fortune to issue a resolution to Enrique Ninete, and he discussed how it as a dream to build those courts and over his time at DPR and saw the transformation of many youths being at the court. He cannot think of a better opportunity to build this for our people and for our guests. We have the tennis courts and the pool when it opens and now we can have a soccer field right there and it's complimentary of everything. We have a museum and as we move forward to continue that dream of once again making our capital vibrant. It is a community center he believes we are building. He thanked the author for the bill and said he cannot think of better uses. He thanked Tino for being there and recalled a coach he had when he was younger when he was going to try out for football, he was told to try out for soccer first because it teaches you how to use your feet and every other sport is enhanced by the fact that when you learn how to use your feet, all the mechanics of your body work.

Chairman Ada thanked **Senator Dueñas** and recognized **Senator Therese M. Terlaje** for questions.

Senator Terlaje asked Director Borja to describe what the property is that they were talking about, if it's the parking lot of the pool and tennis court and asked him to point out on the map where it is.

Joseph Borja, Director of the Department of Land Management said that the last usage of the property was a staging site for debris after typhoon Mawar. The area under consideration would share a parking lot. Certain areas around it may be wetlands. Senator Blas has a bill for a riverwalk in that area. It is right across the Hagåtña Mayor's office. It is not the parking lot of the swimming pool and tennis court. He indicated an area on the map the bill is referencing.

Senator Terlaje mentioned the wetlands and asked who the parking lot is shared with.

Director Borja said that the mayor's office is on wetlands, the senior citizens center, Hagåtña shopping center, tennis court and pool are all on wetlands. The football pitch will have to share their parking lot with the pool and tennis court.

Senator Terlaje asked if the Department of Parks and Recreation has jurisdiction of the property and if it was set aside for a specific purpose.

Director Borja said it is under the Guam Legislature under Public Law 228 as an off-site parking lot for the legislature.

Senator Terlaje asked about the river walk and asked HRRA about their existing plans for this property that we paid millions of dollars on.

Director Leon Guerrero said that the bill addresses use of that area as recreational and public. She will have to get back to her on the plans because she doesn't have them on her right now.

Chairman Ada said that she can provide that to the committee to be disseminated to Senator Terlaje and the committee.

Senator Terlaje asked if she has no idea what the plans are for the property.

Director Leon Guerrero said she does, there is a river walk and recreational facilities. She's been looking at different plans. It was a community center at one time. She cannot provide all of that information at this time.

Director Borja added that the riverwalk is on the opposite side of the property and not near the property in the bill.

Senator Terlaje wants to know what the planned uses of it are, what they are going to bypass in order to do this, make sure we're very clear when we do that as opposed to acting blindly. It doesn't say if it's going to impact existing uses of the property. Who is going to take care of the river? Wasn't part of the Hagåtña restoration project was dependent on the river.

Director Leon Guerrero said they had a study that was terminated and they are working on how to address that now.

Senator Terlaje said years ago there was a study on flooding. She says according to the fiscal note there appears to be an inconsistency between the findings and intent and section two of the legislation relative to the agreement between the Hagåtña mayor's office and GFA specifically as it pertains to the construction of a soccer pitch. The bill says they are going to lease it to them for 30 years limited to what was mentioned in the bill and she wants to clarify who is going to do these things.

Mayor Gumataotao said the mayor's office is supposed to be the one maintain and managing the operations. GFA will build it and if there is anything the mayor's office cannot do, GFA will come in to fix it. The mayor's office will do everything else they are capable of doing.

Senator Terlaje asked Mr. San Gil why they need a 30-year lease if they are not going to be maintaining, controlling and managing it.

Mr. San Gil said they have two proposals. FIFA can build it and give it to the government as a donation. The other proposal is with the AFC. If AFC builds it, they need a lease agreement. If they choose FIFA to build it, they will remove the lease agreement.

Senator Terlaje asked how big the pitch is. The bill is for 18,000 square meters vs 800 square meters and said that the rest of the area is vegetation and they are going to improve that and hopefully use it for volleyball. She brought up the other plans for the area and the requested operational funds and asked them to speak on that.

Chairman Ada said he will allow that question to be answered but that Senator Terlaje's time was up.

Mayor Gumataotao said he would not need too much additional funding. If they can get funding to help clear the property and maintenance of it, it's just cutting grass.

Senator Terlaje said she has one more question about DPR having beach volleyball in Dededo.

Mr. Taitano said they only have beach volleyball at Jimmy Dee's beach and what she may be referring to in Dededo was a partnership with GFA that allowed use of their sand football courts to hold their high school leagues.

Senator Terlaje asked of an update on Ordot.

Chairman Ada said this bill is about Hagåtña.

Senator Terlaje said it was going to be used for Ordot as well so that was why she was curious.

Mr. San Gil said the Ordot property is after Talofofu because they are just completing the lights at GFA.

Senator Terlaje asked if it will be simultaneous.

Mr. San Gil said no, it is separate because it is a different funding source.

Chairman Ada thanked Senator Terlaje and recognized **Speaker Frank F. Blas, Jr.** for questions.

Speaker Blas asked Mr. San Gil to explain what a pitch is.

Mr. San Gil said that pitch is the terminology for a field. They are putting in Futsal which is basically like an indoor pitch but will be outside. It's a 40X20 meter pitch.

Speaker Blas acknowledged mention of his bill regarding the river walk and he sees this as a compliment because this is set aside for recreational purposes. One of the primary reasons he came up with the river walk was to address flooding issues in that zone. He said he fully supports the bill.

Chairman Ada thanked the panel for being there. He said it goes to show when we put community partners together with our government and public private partnerships, things can become a great investment for our community and especially our youth. We have top athletes but not the facilities. He asked to cosponsor the legislation and recognized Senator Gumataotao for his closing.

Senator Gumataotao said he had a couple more questions first. He asked if they engaged a grant writer to help with the expansion of the area.

Mayor Gumataotao said they are getting grants from off island. They have one grant writer at the hearing and another at work that will be helping him get as much free money as they can for this project. Senator Gumataotao thanked the panel. He mentioned a major amendment to the build to add beach volleyball courts and wanted to assure them as we go through the process that they will add an amendment to do that so that in tandem in their statutes will allow both facilities to be built across the larger expanse of 18,000 square meters. He asked his colleagues to provide input and recommend changes in helping the bill at this point of the process and urged diligence and respect to the process. He said this policy makes the best of the area and converts it to safe and conducive space for families and communities. A capital city holds a crucial role as a political and administrative center of a nation, state, territory and city. He thanked Chairman Ada, thanked the panel and colleagues.

Chairman Ada thanked his colleagues and the panel and adjourned the hearing at 10:13 am.

The public hearing was adjourned at **10:13 am.**

III. FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee agrees with the author's intent to allow the Hagåtña Mayor's office to build a multipurpose sports complex across the street from the Mayor's office. Many villages have similar facilities that are under the jurisdiction of the mayoral office which have provided many benefits to their villages. The capital city of Hagåtña contains recreational facilities that are administered by the Department of Parks and Recreation that include the Paseo Stadium, the Pool and Tennis courts. Sidewalks in the center of the capital and around the paseo also serve as footpaths for walkers and joggers.

The Committee further finds that there was wide support for the bill at the public hearing. The Committee staff and that author's staff have recommended technical amendments to the bill that provide both specificities as well expanding the types of sports for which the facility can be utilized.

The amended bill also expands the leases of the facilities to non-profits and not a specific named entity.

The Committee also includes two amendments for reversionary clauses that will revert the subject lot to the Government of Guam; the first will revert the subject lot in the event that the Mayor’s office fails to construct the facility within the (10) years and the second that will revert the subject lot in the event that the Mayor’s office fails to utilize the completed facilities for a three (3) consecutive years.

The Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure hereby reports out **Bill No. 233-38 (COR)** – Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao – “AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 40114.1 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 40, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ASSIGNING A PORTION OF LOT NO. 87-5-R2 IN HAGÁTÑA, TO THE HAGÁTÑA MAYOR’S OFFICE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY SPORTS AND RECREATION FACILITIES, AND TO FURTHER AUTHORIZING THAT OFFICE TO ENTER INTO MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT WITH NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OF SPORTS FACILITIES ON A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY IDENTIFIED HEREIN.” As Amended by the Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure, with the recommendation **TO REPORT OUT ONLY.**

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds

that the vacant property located across the street from the *Hagåtña* Mayor's Office, identified as Lot No. 87-5-R2, previously identified in Public Law 22-18 as Lot No. 87-5-R1, Municipality of *Hagåtña*, is suitable for the development of a community sports and recreation area, including a football (soccer) facilities, to benefit the residents of *Hagåtña* and surrounding villages. Through this Act, the *Hagåtña* Mayor's Office is authorized to identify a portion of the vacant property to which it is assigned by this policy for a football pitch and related facilities and establish a Memorandum of Agreement with the Guam Football Association as may be necessary for the construction and management of such facilities.

1 **Section 2. Assignment of a Portion of Lot No. 87-5-R2 in Hagåtña to the**
2 **Hagåtña Mayor’s Office.** A new § 40114.1 is *added* to Article 1 of Chapter 40,
3 Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, to read:

4 “§ 40114.1. Hagåtña Community Sports and Recreational Facilities.

5 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law including, but not limited to,
6 the Government of Guam Reserved Lands List adopted in Public Law 22-18, a
7 portion not to exceed 18,000 square meters of the property identified as Lot No. 87-
8 5-R2 consisting of approximately 49,777 square meters (referenced in Parceling
9 Survey Map – Department of Land Management Instrument Number 989376
10 recorded on August 1, 2023, attached hereto as Exhibit “A”), previously identified
11 in Public Law 22-18 as Lot No. 87-5-R1, Municipality of Hagåtña, as described
12 herein, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the Hagåtña
13 Mayor’s Office for the purposes authorized by this Act.

14 (b) The Hagåtña Mayor’s Office shall utilize the property solely for the
15 construction and operation of a football pitch and community sports and recreational
16 facilities which shall be made available for public use.

17 (c) The Hagåtña Mayor’s Office shall ensure that the property remains
18 accessible to the public and that no portion of the land is used for commercial
19 purposes inconsistent with community recreational use.

20 (d) The Hagåtña Mayor’s Office shall have full authority over the planning
21 and public procurement of construction, operation, repair, and maintenance of the
22 facilities if public or grant funds are to be utilized. All upkeep, improvements, and
23 related work shall further be carried out under the direction and supervision of the
24 Hagåtña Mayor’s Office.

25 (e) The Hagåtña Mayor’s Office is authorized to seek funding from public
26 and private sources, including grants, appropriations, and donations, for the purpose

1 of developing, maintaining, and repairing community sports and recreational
2 facilities established on the property pursuant to this Act.

3 (f) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Hagåtña Mayor's Office
4 is authorized to lease a portion of the land identified herein to the Guam Football
5 Association for a period to be mutually agreed upon by both parties, but not to
6 exceed thirty (30) years. Such lease shall be limited to management and maintenance
7 operations; the scheduling of games and events; the sale of advertising signage; and
8 improvement of the football pitch, structures, lighting, and other provisions mutually
9 agreed upon between the Hagåtña Mayor's Office and the Guam Football
10 Association and not inconsistent with existing laws. The Guam Football Association
11 shall not have the authority to sublet, transfer or assign such lease to other parties
12 without prior approval of I Liheslatura.

13 (g) The Department of Land Management shall cause a survey of the property
14 identified as Lot Not. 87-5-R2, previously identified in Public Law 22-18 as Lot No.
15 87-5-R1, Municipality of Hagåtña, to be conducted in order to establish and confirm
16 the metes and bounds and to prepare an official survey map of said property. The
17 Director of Land Management is hereby authorized to undertake such actions as may
18 be necessary to complete the survey, subdivide the property if necessary and to
19 coordinate with the Department of Public Works or any other relevant agencies as
20 needed.

21 (h) If space permits, the Hagåtña Mayor's Office may include additional
22 community amenities such as walking paths including routes connecting to the
23 Hagåtña Riverwalk Trail as described and developed in accordance with the
24 Hagåtña Master Plan, a children's playground, and a community pavilion or covered
25 gathering area to enhance recreational opportunities and encourage community
26 engagement. All such improvements shall be designed and constructed in harmony

1 with the primary purpose of the property as a football pitch and community sports
2 and recreation area.”

3 **Section 3. Exemption.** § 2107 of Chapter 2, Title 2, Guam Code Annotated,
4 and the Standing Rules of *I Mina Trentai Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan* relative to
5 the appraisals of land, shall not apply to this Act.

6 **Section 4. Effective Date.** The provisions of this Act shall be effective upon
7 enactment.

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18 including, but not limited to, beach volleyball facilities which shall be made
19 available for public use.

20 (c) The *Hagåtña* Mayor’s Office shall ensure that the property remains
21 accessible to the public and that no portion of the land is used for commercial
22 purposes inconsistent with community recreation use.

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6 GCA § 5127, the Hagåtña Mayor’s Office is authorized to enter into separate lease
7 agreements for a portion of the land identified herein to the Guam Football
8 Association and the Guam Volleyball Federation for a period to be mutually agreed
9 upon between the Hagåtña Mayor’s Office and the aforementioned organizations,
10 but not to exceed thirty (30) years. Such lease agreements shall be limited to
11 construction, management, and maintenance requirements; the scheduling of games
12 and events; the sale of advertising signage; and facility improvements, structures,
13 lighting, and other provisions mutually agreed upon between the Hagåtña Mayor’s
14 Office and the Guam Football Association, and the Hagåtña Mayor’s Office and the
15 Guam Volleyball Federation, not inconsistent with existing laws. The Guam
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4 and encourage community engagement. All such improvements shall be designed
5 and constructed in harmony with the primary purpose of the property as a football
6 pitch and community sports and recreation area.

7 (i) **Reversionary Clause 1.** In the event the property identified in paragraph
8 (g) of this Section, supra, is not utilized for the purposes authorized by this Act
9 within ten (10) years of enactment.

10 (j) **Reversionary Clause 2.** If, at any time, the recreational facilities (after the
11 facilities are built) cease to be utilized for purposes intended by this Section for least
12 three (3) consecutive years, said lot shall revert to the Government of Guam.”

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AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 40114.1 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 40, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ASSIGNING A PORTION OF LOT NO. 87-5-R2 IN *HAGÅTÑA*, TO THE *HAGÅTÑA* MAYOR'S OFFICE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY SPORTS AND RECREATION FACILITIES, AND TO FURTHER AUTHORIZING THAT OFFICE TO ENTER INTO ~~A~~ MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH ~~THE GUAM FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION~~ NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OF ~~A FOOTBALL PITCH AND RELATED~~ SPORTS FACILITIES ON A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY IDENTIFIED HEREIN.

1 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds
3 that the vacant property located across the street from the *Hagåtña* Mayor's Office,
4 identified as Lot No. 87-5-R2, previously identified in Public Law 22-18 as Lot No.
5 87-5-R1, Municipality of *Hagåtña*, is suitable for the development of a community
6 sports and recreation area, including ~~a~~ football (soccer) and beach volleyball
7 facilities, to benefit the residents of *Hagåtña* and surrounding villages. Through this
8 Act, the *Hagåtña* Mayor's Office is authorized to identify a portion of the vacant
9 property to which it is assigned by this policy for a football pitch, beach volleyball,
10 and related facilities and establish ~~a~~ Memorandum of Agreement with the Guam

1 Football Association and the Guam Volleyball Federation as may be necessary for
2 the construction and management of such facilities.

3 **Section 2. Assignment of a Portion of Lot No. 87-5-R2 in Hagåtña to the**
4 **Hagåtña Mayor’s Office.** A new § 40114.1 is *added* to Article 1 of Chapter 40,
5 Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, to read:

6 **“§ 40114.1. Hagåtña Community Sports and Recreation~~al~~ Facilities.**

7 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law including, but not limited to,
8 the Government of Guam Reserved Lands List adopted in Public Law 22-18, a
9 portion not to exceed 18,000 square meters of the property identified as Lot Not. 87-
10 5-R2 consisting of approximately 49,777 square meters (referenced in Parceling
11 Survey Map – Department of Land Management Instrument Number 989376
12 recorded on August 1, 2023, attached hereto as Exhibit “A”), previously identified
13 in Public Law 22-18 as Lot No. 87-5-R1, Municipality of Hagåtña, as described
14 herein, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the Hagåtña
15 Mayor’s Office for the purposes authorized by this Act.

16 (b) The Hagåtña Mayor’s Office shall utilize the property solely for the
17 ~~construction and operation~~development of a football pitch and community sports
18 and recreation~~al~~ facilities including, but not limited to, beach volleyball facilities
19 which shall be made available for public use.

20 (c) The Hagåtña Mayor’s Office shall ensure that the property remains
21 accessible to the public and that no portion of the land is used for commercial
22 purposes inconsistent with community recreation~~al~~ use.

23 (d) The Hagåtña Mayor’s Office shall have full authority over the planning
24 and public procurement of construction, operation, repair, and maintenance of the
25 facilities if public or grant funds are to be utilized. All upkeep, improvements, and
26 related work shall further be carried out under the direction and supervision of the
27 Hagåtña Mayor’s Office.

1 (e) The *Hagåtña* Mayor's Office is authorized to seek funding from public
2 and private sources, including grants, appropriations, and donations, for the purpose
3 of developing, maintaining, and repairing community sports and recreation~~at~~
4 facilities established on the property pursuant to this Act.

5 (f) Notwithstanding any other provision of law including but not limited to 5
6 GCA § 5127, the *Hagåtña* Mayor's Office is authorized to enter into separate lease
7 agreements for a portion of the land identified herein to the Guam Football
8 Association and the Guam Volleyball Federation for a period to be mutually agreed
9 upon between the Hagåtña Mayor's Office and the aforementioned organizations~~by~~
10 ~~both parties~~, but not to exceed thirty (30) years. Such lease agreements shall be
11 limited to construction, management, and maintenance requirements~~operations~~; the
12 scheduling of games and events; the sale of advertising signage; and facility
13 improvements ~~of the football pitch~~, structures, lighting, and other provisions
14 mutually agreed upon between the *Hagåtña* Mayor's Office and the Guam Football
15 Association, and the Hagåtña Mayor's Office and the Guam Volleyball Federation,
16 not inconsistent with existing laws. The Guam Football Association and the Guam
17 Volleyball Federation shall not have the authority to sublet, transfer or assign such
18 lease to other parties without prior approval of *I Liheslatura*.

19 (g) The Department of Land Management shall cause a survey of the property
20 identified as Lot No~~¶~~. 87-5-R2, previously identified in Public Law 22-18 as Lot No.
21 87-5-R1, Municipality of *Hagåtña*, to be conducted in order to establish and confirm
22 the metes and bounds and to prepare an official survey map of said property. The
23 Director of Land Management is hereby authorized to undertake such actions as may
24 be necessary to complete the survey, subdivide the property if necessary and to
25 coordinate with the Department of Public Works or any other relevant agencies as
26 needed.

1 (h) If space permits, the *Hagåtña* Mayor’s Office may include additional
2 community amenities such as walking paths ~~including routes connecting to the~~
3 ~~*Hagåtña Riverwalk Trail* as described and developed in accordance with the~~
4 ~~*Hagåtña Master Plan*~~, a children’s playground, and a community pavilion or covered
5 gathering area to enhance recreational opportunities and encourage community
6 engagement. All such improvements shall be designed and constructed in harmony
7 with the primary purpose of the property as a football pitch and community sports
8 and recreation area.

9 ~~(i) **Reversionary Clause 1.** In the event the property identified in paragraph~~
10 ~~(g) of this Section, supra, is not utilized for the purposes authorized by this Act~~
11 ~~within ten (10) years of enactment.~~

12 ~~(j) **Reversionary Clause 2.** If, at any time, the recreational facilities (after the~~
13 ~~facilities are built) cease to be utilized for purposes intended by this Section for least~~
14 ~~three (3) consecutive years, said lot shall revert to the Government of Guam.”~~

15 **Section 3. Exemption.** § 2107 of Chapter 2, Title 2, Guam Code Annotated,
16 and the Standing Rules of *I Mina Trentai Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan* relative to
17 the appraisals of land, shall not apply to this Act.

18 **Section 4. Effective Date.** The provisions of this Act shall be effective upon
19 enactment.

**Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Fiscal Note of Bill No. 233-38 (COR)**

AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 40114.1 TO ARTICLE I OF CHAPTER 40, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ASSIGNING A PORTION OF LOT NO. 87-5-R2 IN HAGÁTÑA, TO THE HAGÁTÑA MAYOR'S OFFICE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY SPORTS AND RECREATION FACILITIES, AND TO FURTHER AUTHORIZING THAT OFFICE TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE GUAM FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OF A FOOTBALL PITCH AND RELATED FACILITIES ON A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY IDENTIFIED HEREIN.

Department/Agency Appropriation Information	
Dept./Agency Affected: Department of Land Management	Dept./Agency Head: Joseph M. Borja, Director
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	\$963,078
Department's Other Fund appropriation(s) to date: Land Survey Revolving Fund	\$2,848,009
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	\$3,811,087

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation			
	General Fund:	Special Fund:	Total:
FY 2025 Unreserved Fund Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2026 Adopted Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2026 Appro. (P.L. 38-60)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sub-total:	\$0	\$0	\$0
Less appropriation in Bill	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total:	\$0	\$0	\$0

Estimated Fiscal Impact of Bill						
	One Full Fiscal Year	For Remainder of FY 2026 (if applicable)	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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| 1. Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions?
If Yes, see attachment | | // Yes | /X/ No |
| 2. Is amount appropriated adequate to fund the intent of the appropriation?
If no, what is the additional amount required? \$ _____ | /X/ N/A | // Yes | // No |
| 3. Does the Bill establish a new program/agency?
If yes, will the program duplicate existing programs/agencies?
Is there a federal mandate to establish the program/agency? | /X/ N/A | // Yes
// Yes
// Yes | /X/ No
// No
/X/ No |
| 4. Will the enactment of this Bill require new physical facilities? | | /X/ Yes | // No |
| 5. Was Fiscal Note coordinated with the affected dept/agency?
If no, indicate reason: | | /X/ Yes
// Other | // No |

Analyst: <u>Michelle Pineda</u> Michelle Pineda, BMA I	Date: <u>12/9/25</u>	Director: <u>Lester L. Carlson, Jr.</u> Lester L. Carlson, Jr., Director	Date: <u>DEC 2 2025</u>
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Notes:
1/ See Additional Comments.

BUREAU OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT RESEARCH
COMMENTS ON BILL NO. 233-38 (COR)

Bill No. 233-38 seeks to add a new § 40114.1 to Article 1 of Chapter 40, Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, relative to assigning a portion of Lot No. 87-5-R2 in Hagåtña, to the Hagåtña Mayor's Office for the development of community sports and recreation facilities, and to further authorizing that office to enter into a memorandum of agreement with the Guam Football Association for the construction and management of a football pitch and related facilities on a portion of the property identified herein.

Per legislative findings, the vacant property, previously identified in the Government of Guam Reserved Lands List as Lot No. 87-5-R1, is suitable for the development of a sports and recreation area. The legislation seeks to place a portion not to exceed 18,000 square meters of the subject property under the administrative jurisdiction of the Hagåtña Mayor's Office. Further, the Department of Land Management shall establish and prepare an official survey map of the subject property, subdivide the property if needed, and coordinate with other agencies as required.

Based on the attached comments received from the Hagåtña Mayor's Office, all costs relative to the design, construction, installation, repair, maintenance, and replacement of the artificial turf for the soccer pitch shall be fully borne by the Guam Football Association (GFA) for the life of the facility. However, it should be noted that § 40114.1(f) as contained in Section 2 of the legislation specifically states that the lease authorized therein to be agreed upon by the Hagåtña Mayor's Office and GFA is not to exceed 30 years, and *shall be limited* to management and maintenance operations, the scheduling of games and events, the sale of advertising signage, and improvements of the football pitch, structures, lighting, and other provisions mutually agreed upon. The Bureau notes that there appears to be an inconsistency between the Legislative Findings and Intent and Section 2 of the proposed legislation relative to the agreement between the Hagåtña Mayor's Office and GFA, specifically as it pertains to the construction of the soccer (football) pitch.

The Municipality of Hagåtña also anticipates to plan for the following phased operational funding requests: \$10,000 annually for grass cutting and grounds maintenance beginning in Year 2, \$32,000 annually for additional personnel costs in Year 2, and \$25,000 for the maintenance and repair of playground equipment in Year 4, which may be acquired through donations, grant funding or the Government of Guam. The Bureau notes that the potential fiscal impact of the Bill may result from the post-construction operational and maintenance costs, should the Municipality of Hagåtña request additional local appropriations. Additional costs may also be incurred through the survey mapping process. However, absent information from the Department of Land Management, a specific fiscal impact relative to these costs cannot be ascertained at this time.