

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
GOVERNMENT OF GUAM
AGANA, GUAM

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 85-16

TO INITIATE AN INTER-AGENCY POLICY GROUP TO ESTABLISH AND STRENGTHEN GREATER INTER-AGENCY COOPERATION IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF LAND-USE CONTROLS, POLICIES, REGULATIONS AND LAWS.

- WHEREAS,** land is an extremely precious resource to the People of Guam, the traditional worth of which cannot be measured merely in terms of monetary value; and,
- WHEREAS** the review and control on land-use development within the Territory currently vests in a number of different departments and agencies; and,
- WHEREAS,** land-use development is a long-term issue that will directly affect the quality of life for the People of Guam and their descendents; and,
- WHEREAS,** the 1983 Ad Hoc Committee on Development Controls identified a need to simplify the review and decision-making process regarding development controls on Guam; and,
- WHEREAS,** the Governor has received and approved the Guam Coastal Management Program's "Report on the GCMP: Its Authority, Weaknesses, and Recommendations for Resolving Problem Areas"; and,
- WHEREAS,** a comprehensive review of land-use laws is currently underway and recommendations for changes will need to be reviewed and considered for submission to the Legislature by the Executive Branch at the conclusion of the study; and,
- WHEREAS,** the Department of Law, the Department of Land Management, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Guam Environmental Protection Agency, and the Bureau of Planning all deal with land-use review and control;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICARDO J. BORDALLO, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby order that:

1. The Departments and Agencies above, along with the legal Counsel to the Governor, for a Land-use Policy Committee, chaired by the Bureau of Planning.
2. The Committee review each agency's procedures and make recommendations for prevention of duplication and waste.
3. The Committee make recommendations to the Governor within four (4) weeks of its first meeting for whatever changes are necessary to the review and permitting process to assure that the Office of the Governor, through the Bureau of Planning, is fully aware and abreast of all current development within the Territory,
4. The Committee receive and act upon requests from any other Government of Guam Department, Agency or Instrumentality for input to or changes in the government's land-use planning process or information base.



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Acting Governor of Guam