PARTICIPATORY PLANNING PROCESS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT OF DAVAO CITY, MINDANAO, PHILIPPINES

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ABSTRACT

This study was conducted to determine the participatory planning process of the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Davao City, Mindanao, Philippines. It has utilized a chi-square test to determine the most effective participatory method in setting the vision, goals and objectives, as well as the formulation of the situation analysis and zoning ordinance. In order to generate the data, 15 respondents from the City Planning Development Office of Davao and technical working group were chosen to answer a survey questionnaire. The results of the study revealed that majority of the respondents are between 51-60 years old dominated by female, college graduates and regular employees of the LGU. The study revealed further that that there are two methods of participatory planning that are effective to the setting of vision, goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP - 2019-2028) of LGU - Davao City. Focused group discussion and workshops are effective tool before arriving at a consensus for a new CLUP among local stakeholders. These methods were also effective in the formulation of sectoral and physical land use activities for the situation analysis. Also, other methods that contributed were barangay meetings as well as spatial surveys. On the other hand, public hearings were found to be effective and contributed more on the formulation of the zoning ordinance.

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