LGU Joint Ventures

Alberto C. Agra

Certified PPP SpecialistTM Certified Regulation Specialist[™] **PPP Consultant and Practitioner** PPP Law and Local Government Law Professor, and Political Law Bar Reviewer, Ateneo Law School Adviser to DILG on PPP President, Forensic Solutions Columnist, PPP Lead, BusinessMirror PhD Candidate, Leadership Studies major in Public Management, Ateneo School of Government Former Acting Secretary of Justice, Acting Solicitor General and Government Corporate Counsel

Which of these are possible?

- 1. LGUs entering into JVs
- 2. No NEDA approval regardless of project cost
- 3. Award in 3 months
- 4. No open bidding, only unsolicited proposals
- 5. LGU has greater share than what it contributes
- 6. Market with commercial space, pay parking, transport terminal
- 7. No national funding support
- 8. Non-cash contribution of LGUs
- 9. Unincorporated JVs
- 10. JVs with Disposition/ Divestment

LGU JV Enabling Law

1991 Local Government Code (R.A. 7160) and IRR

Sec. 35. Linkages with People's and Non-governmental Organizations. — Local government units may enter into joint ventures and such other cooperative arrangements with people's and non-governmental organizations (or the private sector) to engage in the delivery of certain basic services, capability-building and livelihood projects, and to develop local enterprises designed to improve productivity and income, diversity agriculture, spur rural industrialization, promote ecological balance, and enhance the economic and social well-being of the people.

Affirmation

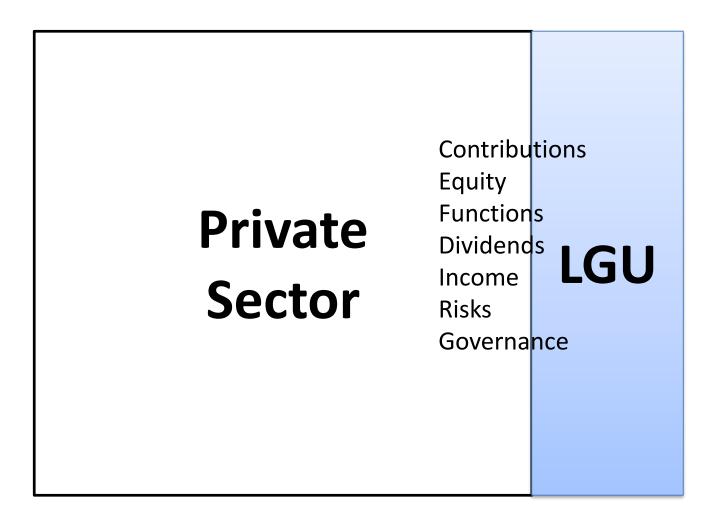
Agencies

- Executive Order 78 (07.04.12)
- Department of Justice
 Opinion No. 18 (04.03.12)
- Department of Interior and Local Governments
 - Opinion No. 11 (04.08.14)
 - Opinion No. 10 (04.08.14)
 - Opinion No. 8 (03.06.14)
 - Opinion No. 47 (07.13.12)
- Office of the Executive Secretary
 - Letter (10.25.11)

Policies/ Opinions

- 1. No specific statute on PPP
- No national guidelines on LGU JVs
- 3. LGUs may:
 - a) enact own PPP Codes/ JV Ordinances
 - b) adopt NEDA JV Guidelines, use BOT Law
 - c) refer to "Agra PPP Code"
- 4. JV contracts must be respected

Concept



Definition

A JV, a **PPP modality**, is a **contractual arrangement** between the City and a JV PSP or a group of private sector entities as **co-venturers** involving а community or pooling of interests in the performance of the service, function, business, activity or components of the JV project, with each party having a right to direct and govern the policy in connection therewith, and with a view of sharing income, dividends, revenues, profits, risks and losses, subject to the JVA.

JV not BOT Law Variant

Differences

- Community/ Pooling of Resources, not purely private
- Proportionality, not distinct assumption of benefits and obligations
- LGU contributes, unlike BOT
 Law where LGU not
 contribute as a rule
- JV Company by Parties, not just by Private Sector

Inapplicable Provisions in BOT Law

- Only for Projects traditionally provided by LGU
- Approval Processes
- Debt-Equity Ratio
- Maximum Rate of Return
- Restrictions on Unsolicited
 Proposals
 - Priority Projects
 - New Technology
 - Guarantee, Subsidy or Equity

10 SONA-STATED POSSIBLE PPP PROJECTS



My Own 10

- 1. Waste-to-Energy/ Renewable Energy
- 2. Water Supply
- 3. Septage/Sewerage
- 4. Reclamation
- 5. Rehabilitation Centers
- 6. Monorail
- 7. Bridges
- 8. Mixed-Use Land Dev't
- 9. Markets and Terminals 10. Smart Cities



Notes on JV Projects

- Infrastructure, development, revenue-raising or social service-related projects (which are traditionally or not traditionally provided or supplied by the LGU)
- 2. Projects listed in Development Plan
- 3. Single Use or Multiple Use
- 4. Public Good-Driven
- 5. Facilitative of Private Sector Initiative

Notes on JV Projects

- 6. Transfer of Ownership to Private Sector possible
- 7. Automatic grant of franchise or concession
- 8. Maximum of 50 years
- 9. Procurement
 - \circ By LGU using LGU funds follow GPRA
 - \circ By Private Sector Internal Rules or GPRA

10. Audit

- \odot LGU funds and contributions COA
- Private funds and contributions Private Internal Audit

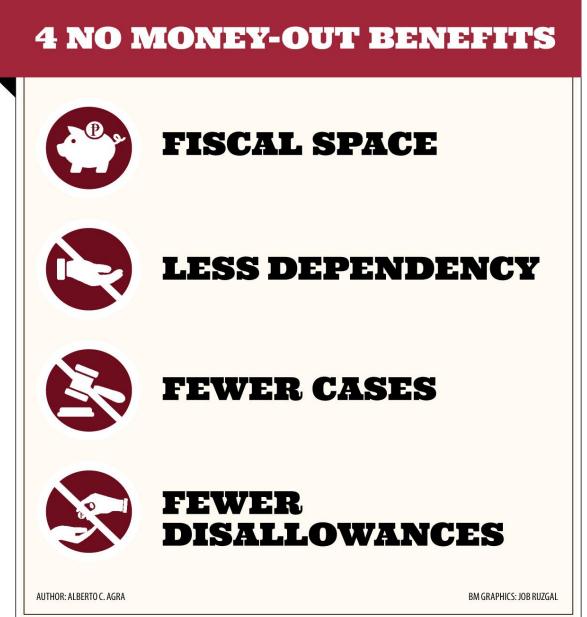
LGU Contributions

Money and Capital

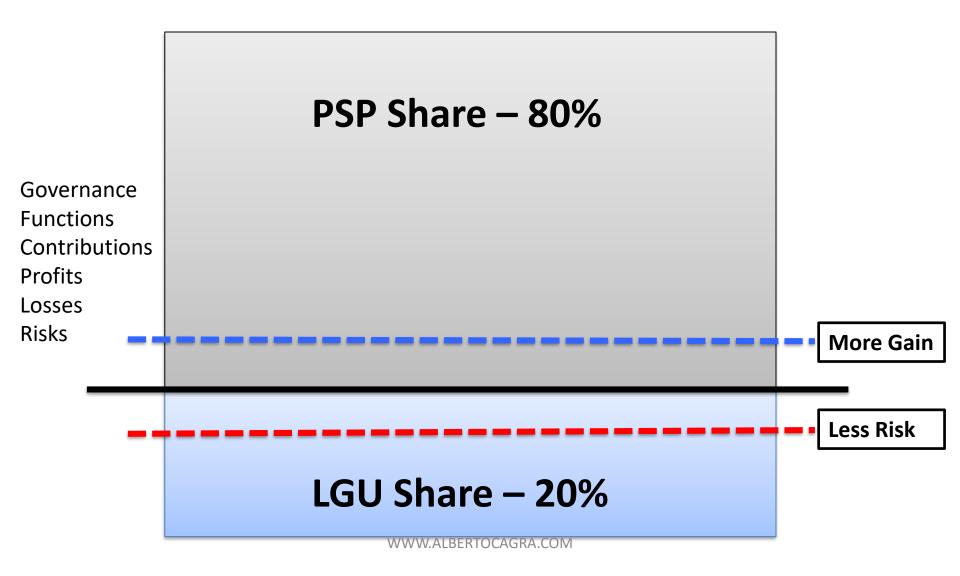
 Regular and Special Funds, IRA, RPT, SEF, Share in National Wealth, Calamity Fund, Development Fund, Loan Proceeds, Grants, Bonds, Securities, Subsidy, Equity, Cost-Sharing, Viability Gap Funding, Cost Avoidance or Savings (actual/ current or future/ monetized)

Non-Cash (Anything of Value)

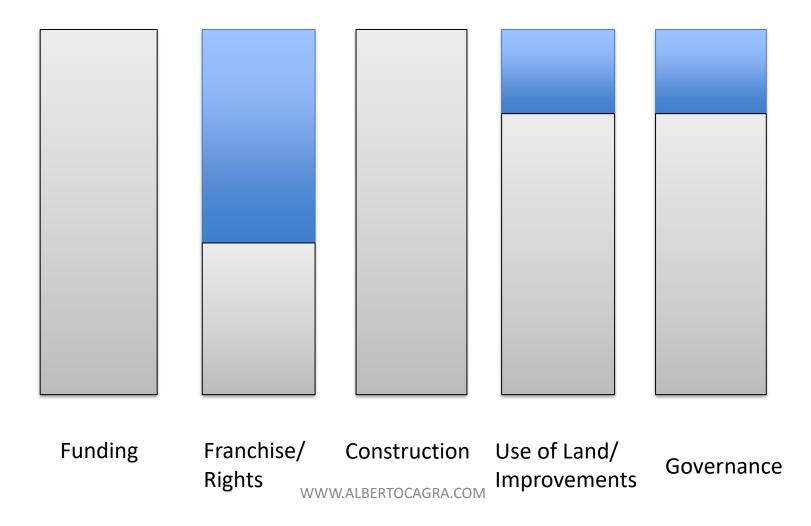
• Services, Personnel, Intellectual Property, Usufruct, Land (own or expropriated), Minimum Revenue Guarantee, Right-of-Way, Goodwill, Franchise, Concession, Credit Enhancement, Tax Incentives/ Holidays, Police Power



Sharing in Profits, Losses and Risks



Proportionate Sharing: Alternative Scheme on 20%-80%



Notes on LGU Contributions

- Contributions/ Shareholdings determine minimum share/ participation of LGU (% of gross or net income or revenues)
- 2. General Rule: LGU **minority** share, Private Sector majority share (can be 50-50)
- 3. Proportionate Sharing: dividends, profits, income, revenues (unless by agreement, LGU greater share – minimum or **floor**); and risks, losses and obligations (unless by agreement, lower risks – maximum or **ceiling**)

Notes on LGU Contributions

- 4. Sharing: (1) **overall** or across the board or (2) **specific** assignment/ apportionment, provided, joint governance
- 5. Private Sector **cannot sell** interest without consent of LGU
- Private Sector can advance share/ equity of LGU (set-off from future revenues)
- 7. Subject to **3rd party valuation** (GFI or Private Sector)
- 8. No fixed **debt to equity ratio** (reasonableness)
- 9. Cost avoidance or **substantial savings** factored in sharing.

JV Vehicle: 2 Options

JV Company or Corporate JV

Unincorporated JV or Contractual JV

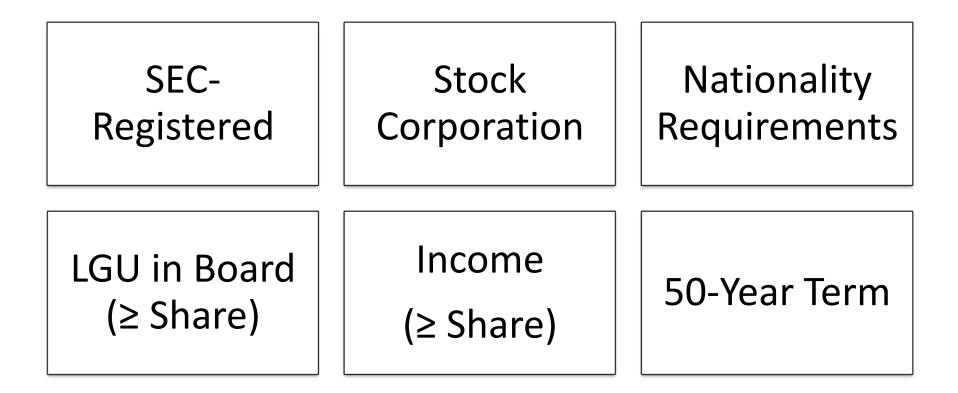
2

WWW.ALBERTOCAGRA.COM

Considerations for Contractual JV

- 1. Audit: Audit by Private Audit Firm (not by COA)
- 2. Procurement: Adherence to Internal Rules (not GPRA)
- 3. Labor: Compliance with Labor Code (not Civil Service Law)
- 4. Compensation Scheme: Based on Labor Code (not Salary Standardization Law)

JV Company



JV Agreement

- 1. Identification of the JV parties
- 2. JV Name
- 3. Principal place of business
- 4. JVA effectivity date
- 5. JV purpose/s and objective/s
- 6. JV vehicle (incorporated or unincorporated)
- 7. Total cost of JV activity

8. JV Term

- 9. Project specifications and features
- 10. Management role of JV parties
- 11. Statement that parties are co-venturers
- 12. Establishment of JV Fund
- 13. Amount and Contributions of each party

JV Agreement

- 14. Creation of special bank account
- 15. Provision on infusion of additional capital
- 16. Percentages and sharing of profits and losses
- 17. Termination/ Liquidation of JV
- 18. Buy-out provisions
- 19. Transfer of ownership of assets

- 20. Creation of Management Committee or designation of General Manager
- 21. Implementation milestones
- 22. Provision for the acquisition of licenses
- 23. Type of insurance
- 24. Confidentiality of trade information
- 25. Ownership or retention of patents

JV Agreement

- 26. Performance security requirements
- 27. Undivided pro-rata interests held by the coventurers on all assets of the JV
- 28. Restriction regarding assignment of private sector participant's undivided pro-rata interests
- 29. Cost recovery scheme
- 30. Indemnification and liquidated damages

- 31. Performance and warranty bonds
- 32. Payout of funds
- 33. Minimum insurance coverage
- 34. Acceptance tests and procedures
- 35. Dispute Settlement and Alternative Dispute Resolution
- 36. Warranty against corruption
- 37. Compliance with law
- 38. Government exit provision

Notes on JV Agreements

- 1. JVA signed by Representatives of each party
- 2. Prior authorization (or ratification) from local legislative council
- 3. JVA Beneficiary: Constituents
- No award/ JVA if material deviations/ disadvantageous provisions/ prejudice other bidders
- 5. Amendments possible (if fair and not violate competition)

Notes on JV Agreements

- 6. Non-impairment of JVAs
- 7. JVA binding on Successor Administration
- 8. Judicial, Executive or Administrative Confirmation of JVA
- 9. Exclusivity of JV Project

THANK YOU.

WWW.ALBERTOCAGRA.COM