

**THE POLITICAL DYNAMICS BEHIND THE RENOVATION OF FELIX GORRICETA
JR. AVENUE CONNECTING PAVIA-MANDURRIO AND ITS EFFECTS ON
PROPERTY HOLDERS AND PUV OPERATORS ASSOCIATION**

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ABSTRACT

This study looks into the political dynamics behind the implementation of the policy renovating the Felix Gorriceta Jr. Avenue in Pavia, Iloilo and its effects on two end-users—property holders as represented by Parc Regency, and transportation sector represented by the Leon Jeepney Operators and Drivers' Association (LEJODA). The interrelationships between various levels of the government in the conceptualization of the infrastructure project is examined. It describes conditions of the area where the road stretches prior to the renovation; identifies the reasons why the policy was pursued; and examines how the policy on renovation affected the end-users. Interviews as well as secondary data were utilized in the study.

The initiatives and funding for the project came out of a broader plan to integrate the road to the Iloilo airport from the national government and subsequently chosen by the provincial government of Iloilo relative to other sites. The local government of Pavia had little role to play in its conceptualization except for the necessary measures for the full implementation of the said policy. The policy conferred benefits to both end-users.