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April 1, 2019

Mr. David Thyne, Chief  
Department of Fire and Public Safety  
County of Maui  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chief Thyne:

SUBJECT: **FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2020 BUDGET** (FS-6) (EDB-1)

May I please request you respond to the following:

1. Relating to CBS-1003, Countywide Fire Facilities (Program Budget, page 724):
  - a. The listed projects are grouped by location or project type. Please provide the following:
    - A breakdown of the cost for each project.
    - The projects in rank order, with number 1 being the highest priority and number 20 the lowest.
  - b. Several projects relate to providing shelter to vehicles and equipment (numbers 5-7, 13). If these shelters are not full enclosures, are there any mechanisms in place to prevent or deter theft and vandalism?
  - c. With respect to project number 8, what other fire stations currently have separate quarters and restroom for the captain? Please explain the need for separate accommodations.
2. Relating to CBS-1096, Countywide Fuel Tank Replacements, to replace the Pukoo Fire Station diesel fuel tank (Program Budget, page 726), please explain:
  - a. Why is this listed as a Countywide project, as opposed to a Molokai district project?
  - b. Your response dated March 4, 2019, to the Council's Governance, Ethics, and Transparency Committee, lists this as a cost-saving measure and states: "Department is in the process of relocating Pukoo fire station and does not want to install a \$110,000 fuel tank." Please

advise whether this project is only needed if the Pukoo Fire Station Relocation project (CBS-4617) is not funded. Or, is the project necessary because of the time involved in relocating the facility and getting a new facility operational, even if the relocation is funded? Please explain.

3. Relating to CBS-1005, Lanai Fire Station Improvements (Program Budget, page 728), your presentation to the GET Committee on March 21, 2019, states that as of February 25, 2019, the subdivision and land acquisition process has not been completed. Further, the response states that once the land is acquired and recorded, the Department will be seeking funding for the design and planning phase, with no estimate available for this phase. In the FY 2019 Budget, \$100,000 was appropriated for the design, construction, and related costs for this project. The Department is now requesting \$1,872,000 for construction in FY 2020. What is the Department's state of readiness to construct the project this fiscal year, when the land has not yet been acquired and the project has not yet been designed? Please explain.
4. Relating to CBS-4617, Pukoo Fire Station Relocation (Program Budget, page 729):
  - a. Last fiscal year, the Department intended to pursue a cultural/archaeological survey of foreclosed property (tax map key (2) 5-6-002:009) for the relocation of the Pukoo Fire Station. Is this property the same site as the site noted in the Department's March 21, 2019 presentation, in the Ualapue area, adjacent to Kilohana School? If so, please advise of the results of the survey. If not, advise what factors led to the change in selected site.
  - b. What progress has been made in evaluating the site in the Ualapue area? If the results are favorable, what is the anticipated time frame for land acquisition? For design and planning?
  - c. Please provide a comprehensive list of criteria for the selection of a new site, including required lot size, access to roads, and impact on response times to main service areas and to remote service areas. Does the Department have alternate sites identified if evaluation of the Ualapue site is unfavorable?
  - d. What are the proposed plans for the structure(s) on the current site once the station has been relocated?

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- e. Are there conditions within the lease concerning disposition of structures and the fuel tank on the property once the lease is terminated? If so, please explain.
  - f. What is the length of time remaining on the lease?
  - g. There is also a request in the FY 2020 Budget for land acquisition, planning and design funds for a Molokai Police Station (CBS-5536). What are the feasibility and main advantages and disadvantages of a joint facility or service compound for both the Department of Fire and Public Safety and the Department of Police?
  - h. Please identify any other fire stations or Department auxiliary buildings that are currently located in flood or tsunami zones.
5. Relating to CBS-2735, Kahului Fire Station Apparatus Shelter (Program Budget, page 731), are the proposed shelters fully enclosed structures? If not, has consideration been given to constructing fully-enclosed shelters that can provide broader protection to vehicles and equipment?

May I further request you transmit the information by **April 10, 2019**, to enable the Committee to discuss your responses while deliberating the FY 2020 Budget.

To ensure efficient processing, please duplicate the coding in the subject line above for easy reference.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Leslee Matthews at ext. 7662, Shelly Espeleta at ext. 7134, Christy Chung at ext. 7137, or Yvette Bouthillier at ext. 7758).

Sincerely,



KEANI RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, Chair  
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cc: Mayor Michael P. Victorino  
Budget Director