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April 5, 2024

Mr. Marc Takamori, Director Department of Transportation County of Maui Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mr. Takamori:

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2025 BUDGET (BFED-1) (TD-3)

Thank you for participating in the Committee's discussions on April 3, 2024. The Committee respectfully submits the follow-up questions listed below. May I further request that, after approval by the Office of the Mayor, you transmit a written response to bfed.committee@mauicounty.us by **April 11, 2024**.

- 1. Does the Department have an update on the usage of the Wailuku Parking Garage with PARK MAUI? Do these usage numbers meet the Department's expectations?
- 2. When was the last salary increase for the Air Ambulance Program?
- 3. Please provide an update on the complaint made with the State Department of Health regarding the inability of air ambulances to fuel at night. What was the State Department of Health's response?
- 4. Relating to CBS-7244, Transportation Baseyard Facility, please confirm the \$2,600,000 proposed for FY 2025 meets the requirements for bond funding?
- 5. Is the Department aware whether arrangements have been made between PARK MAUI and Hawai'i State Judiciary regarding no cost parking spaces in the Wailuku Parking Garage?

- 6. Relating to Contractual Service, under Index Code 917748B, please provide the amounts for each contract, and indicate whether costs for the parking operator, parking management system, signage, and miscellaneous expenses are annual costs. Is the contract for equipment to operate the Wailuku Parking Garage an annual contract or a one-time expense? Please explain.
- 7. For Goal #1 under Key Activity Goals & Measures for PARK MAUI Program, why is the FY 2025 Estimate for \$500,000 so low compared to FY 2024? (Page 796, Program Budget)
- 8. Has the Department secured funding for the two expansion positions, Planner III and Planner IV? If they are not funded, please explain why not. (Page 23-17, Budget Details)

Thank you for your attention to this request. Should you have any questions, contact me or the Committee staff (James Krueger at ext. 7761, Kasie Apo Takayama at ext. 7665, or Yvette Bouthillier at ext. 7758).

Sincerely,

YUKI SEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair

Budget, Finance, and Economic

Development

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cc: Mayor Richard T. Bissen, Jr. Acting Budget Director

#### **BFED Committee**

**From:** BFED Committee

**Sent:** Friday, April 5, 2024 3:14 PM **To:** 'marc.takamori@co.maui.hi.us'

**Cc:** BFED Committee; K. Kauanoe Batangan; Coralyn Dumlao; Michelle Santos; Zeke Kalua; Lesley Milner;

Kristina Cabbat

Subject: PLEASE READ attached letter re: FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2025 BUDGET (BFED 1) (TD-3); reply by 04/11/24

**Attachments:** (TD-3) Correspondence to Transportation 04-05-2024.pdf

**Categories:** Processed

**Mr. Takamori**: Please refer to the attached letter from the Budget, Finance, and Economic Development (BFED) Committee Chair, dated April 5, 2024. Please respond by **April 11, 2024.** 

Mayor's Office (attention: Michelle Santos and Zeke Kalua): Please forward the attached letter to Mayor Bissen for his information.

Ms. Milner: FYI

Thank you, Yvette Bouthillier, Senior Secretary BFED Committee

# RICHARD T. BISSEN, JR. Mayor



# MARC I. TAKAMORI Director

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April 10, 2024

Ms. Lesley Milner Acting Budget Director, County of Maui 200 South High Street
Wailuku, HI 96793

Honorable Richard T. Bissen, Jr. Mayor, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793 APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL

Acting Mayor

Date

4/10/24

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Yuki Lei K. Sugimura Chair, Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee Maui County Council 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Sugimura:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year ("FY") 2025 Budget (BFED-1) (TD-3)

The Department of Transportation (DOT) hereby transmit the following response to your letter dated April 5, 2024 regarding Fiscal Year ("FY") 2025 Budget:

Question 1: Does the Department have an update on the usage of the Wailuku Parking Garage with PARK MAUI? Do these usage numbers meet the Department's expectations?

Response: The Wailuku Parking Garage has been at around 35% capacity Monday thru Friday. It peaks from noon to 2pm at about 50% capacity. Average permit holders parking in the garage is approximately 100 per day. Weekends, it has been about 15% full with an average of 10 permit holders parking on Saturday and 5 on Sundays. There have only been 2 vehicles parked overnight on a daily basis with the Neighborhood

permits issued for the Wailuku Parking Garage.

**Question 2:** When was the last salary increase for the Air Ambulance Program?

**Response:** The Department has been providing the State Department of Health the same grant

allocation of \$672,215 from FY 2007. The State maintains and contracts out the

permits. To date, there have been 291 Employee Permits and 7 Neighborhood

air ambulance services.

Question 3: Please provide an update on the complaint made with the State Department of Health regarding the inability of air ambulances to fuel at night? What was

the State Department of Health's response?

**Response:** The Department reached out to the State Department of Health regarding the ability

of the air ambulances to fuel at night. Per Robert Lau, the EMSIPSB's contractor has full night flying capability. Their after-hour vendor is Signature and fueling

should be available at night within 3 to 4 hours.

Question 4: Relating to CBS-7244, Transportation Baseyard Facility, please confirm the

\$2,600,000 proposed for FY 2025 meets the requirements for bond funding?

**Response:** The Department has consulted with the Budget Office and Department of Finance,

and they feel that bond funding is appropriate because the funds are related to the

Transportation Baseyard Facility construction project.

Question 5: Is the Department aware whether arrangements have been made between

PARK MAUI and Hawai'i State Judiciary regarding no cost parking spaces

in Wailuku Parking Garage?

**Response:** When the Department took over the PARK MAUI program from the Department of Management on February 1, 2024, the Department specifically asked about

of Management on February 1, 2024, the Department specifically asked about arrangements for juror parking. The Department was told that there have not been any formal arrangements or agreements that would provide free parking spaces to the Hawai'i State Judiciary for juror parking. Instead, the Department was told that jurors would still need to pay for parking. This is reflected in the proposed rates

and fees, which require everyone who does not qualify for a monthly parking permit to pay the hourly or daily rate for off-street parking.

Question 6: Relating to Contractual Service, under Index Code 917748B, please provide the amounts for each contract, and indicate whether costs for the parking operator, parking management system, signage, and miscellaneous expenses are annual costs. Is the contract for equipment to operate the Wailuku Parking Garage an annual contract or a one-time expense? Please explain.

**Response:** The following are the contracts for the PARK MAUI program:

Diamond Parking Services - \$1,562,328.96 (FY 2024)

• They are the parking operator whose service includes but is not limited to: parking program management parking enforcement; revenue collections, counting, and reconciliation; permit management; maintenance and customer support. This is an annual contract.

Dixon Resources Unlimited - \$610,561.00 (FY 2024)

• They are the parking management and implementation support services for new parking services, technologies and public outreach.

Skidata, Inc. - \$354,162.00 (FY 2024)

- They are the parking equipment solutions vendor for the Wailuku Parking Garage that includes services and support.
- Question 7: For Goal #1 under Key Activity Goals & Measures for PARK MAUI Program, why is the FY 2025 Estimate for \$500,000 so low compared to FY 2024? (Page 796, Program Budget)
- Response: The anticipated revenues for PARK MAUI with full program expansion (if that occurred in FY 2024) that included Wailuku, South Maui Beach Parks, and West Maui was estimated to bring in approximately \$3 million annually. The Department is currently focusing on establishing the proposed rates and fees for the Wailuku Parking Garage only, and the anticipated revenues for FY 2025 is expected to be \$60,000.
- Question 8: Has the Department secured funding for the two expansion positions, Planner III and Planner IV? If they are not funded, please explain why not. (Page 23-17, Budget Details)

**Response:** Per the Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization (Maui MPO):

The Maui MPO is administratively tied to the County of Maui Department of Transportation. The Hawaii Department of Transportation has agreed to make permanent funding available to the Maui MPO in order to secure two full-time

planning positions on the Maui MPO staff. These two positions will report only to the Maui MPO and will only be responsible for the work of the Maui MPO.

The Maui MPO will utilize the planning funds – Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) planning funds and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303 planning funds. In addition to these funds, the Maui MPO planning positions will be funded through the FHWA Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program.

Sincerely,

Marc I. Takamori

Director, Department of Transportation

### **BFED Committee**

From: Janina Agapay <Janina.E.Agapay@co.maui.hi.us>

Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2024 8:46 AM

To: BFED Committee
Cc: Lesley Milner
Subject: (BFED-1)(TD-3)
Attachments: (BFED-1)(TD-3).pdf

Hello,

Please see attached correspondence from Department of Transportation.

Thank you,

### Janina Agapay

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