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April 9, 2026

Ms. Jacky Takakura, Director
Department of Planning
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Ms. Takakura:

SUBJECT: **PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2027 BUDGET FOR THE
COUNTY OF MAUI** (BFED-1) (PL-03)

Thank you for participating in the Council's Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee meeting of April 7, 2026. The Committee respectfully submits the follow-up questions below.

May I further request that you transmit your response to bfed.committee@mauicounty.us by **4:30 p.m. on April 16, 2026**.

1. The Committee learned from Habitat for Humanity Maui, Inc. that the permitting process for the Kawaipapa Subdivision in Hāna may take up to 330 days. Please provide a status update on this project and the necessary permits, including why the permitting process is expected to take so long.
 - a. What is the Department's plan to expedite permits for affordable housing projects in rural areas? Please advise.
(KRF)

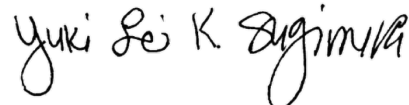
May I also request that you restate each question followed by your corresponding response. Include any attachments or exhibits. Please ensure your response is clear and legible by using a minimum 12-point font throughout so Committee Members and the public can easily read the document once it is posted.

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Thank you for your attention to this request. Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Kirsten Szabo at ext. 7662, James Krueger at ext. 7761, Jarret Pascual at ext. 7141, Clarissa MacDonald at ext. 7135, or Pauline Martins at ext. 8039).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Yuki Lei K. Sugimura". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "Y" and "S".

YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair
Budget, Finance, and Economic
Development Committee

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

BFED Committee

From: BFED Committee
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2026 8:10 PM
To: Jacky Takakura
Cc: Zeke Kalua; Lesley Milner; Ana Lillis; Joy Paredes; Kristina Cabbat; Tiare P. Horner; Shirley Blackburn; Janina Agapay
Subject: PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2027 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI (BFED-1) (PL-03)
Attachments: (PL-3) Correspondence to Planning 04-09-2026.pdf
Importance: High

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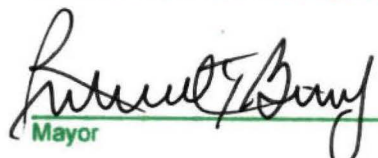


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April 15, 2026

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

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL


Mayor 4-16-26 Date

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Yuki Lei K. Sugimura, Chair
Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
via: bfed.committee@mauicounty.us

Dear Chair Sugimura:

**SUBJECT: PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2027 BUDGET FOR THE
COUNTY OF MAUI (BFED-1) (PL-03)**

Thank you for your correspondence dated April 9, 2026, regarding the Department of Planning's (Department) proposed Fiscal Year 2027 Budget. We offer the following responses to your questions.

1. The Committee learned from Habitat for Humanity Maui, Inc. that the permitting process for the Kawaipapa Subdivision in Hāna may take up to 330 days. Please provide a status update on this project and the necessary permits, including why the permitting process is expected to take so long.

The Department of Public Works' Development Services Administration (DSA), Subdivision Section is responsible for processing and issuing subdivision approvals. They may be able to provide the current status of the subdivision and why the approval will take 330 days.

However, we can provide public and current information available in the Maui's Automated Planning and Permitting System (MAPPS) and an update on the comments

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provided by the Planning Department as one of the reviewing agencies for this subdivision.

We believe you are inquiring about permit SUBD20180024, TMK (2)1-3-004:001 whose application according to MAPPS, was submitted on August 9, 2018. DSA issued the preliminary approval on September 28, 2018, which included nine comments from Planning and 44 comments overall from 11 different state and county agencies. In an email dated December 14, 2020, the applicant addressed three of Planning's comments and Planning responded back to the applicant on January 4, 2021.

According to MAPPS the applicant filed and was granted time extension requests for years 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025.

The applicant uploaded a final plat on December 22, 2025, and DSA Subdivision Section's initial review was completed on and routed to seven departments on January 23, 2026. Planning reviewed the final plat and uploaded a status letter identifying the four remaining outstanding items on February 19, 2026.

- a. What is the Department's plan to expedite permits for affordable housing projects in rural areas? Please advise. (KRF)

Affordable housing projects are usually approved by resolution subject to County Council approval. Building permits for these types of projects are fast-tracked and require reviewing county agencies, including Planning, to complete their review and upload comments into MAPPS within 15 days regardless of community plan or zoning designation. Delivering timely reviews for affordable housing projects throughout the County is a priority of the Administration.

Mahalo for allowing us to respond to your requests.

Sincerely,



JACKY TAKAKURA
Director

BFED Committee

From: Tiare P. Horner <tiare.p.horner@co.maui.hi.us>
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To: BFED Committee; Jacalyn M. Takakura
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Subject: RE: PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2027 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI (BFED-1) (PL-03)
Attachments: (BFED-1) (PL-03).pdf

Aloha,

Please see attached correspondence.

Mahalo,

Tiare P. Horner
Budget Specialist
Phone: 808.270.7517

From: BFED Committee <BFED.Committee@mauicounty.us>
Sent: Thursday, April 9, 2026 20:10
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