

**MAUI COUNTY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES**

**September 15, 2023  
9:00 AM**

Pursuant to §92-3.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the meeting was conducted as a remote meeting by interactive conference technology, via BlueJeans <https://maui.bluejeans.com/295235670>.

In person testimony and viewing: Council Chamber, Kalana O Maui Building, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, 200 S. High Street, Wailuku, Hawaii.

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Meeting called to order at 9:02 a.m.

**A. Roll Call**

<b>Councilmember</b>	<b>Pres.</b>	<b>Abs.</b>	<b>Exc.</b>	<b>Time(s) In/Out (during meeting)</b>
Tasha Kama	√			
Yuki Lei Sugimura	√			
Tamara Paltin	√			
Gabe Johnson	√			
Keani Rawlins-Fernandez	√			
Tom Cook	√			
Nohelani U‘u-Hodgins	√			
Shane Sinenci	√			
Chair Alice L. Lee	√			
<b>TOTAL PRESENT</b>	9			

- B. OPENING REMARKS** – Councilmember Keani Rawlins-Fernandez
- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**
- D. TESTIMONY ON CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS**
- E. CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS**

**Reso 23-200** "EXTENDING CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE ERNEST 'ERNIE' REZENTS"

Time Deliberations Began	9:16 a.m.
Time Motion Made	9:16 a.m.
Motion	ADOPT

Maker	Johnson
Seconder	Sugimura
Time Vote Taken	9:25 a.m.
<b>MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY</b>	

- F. CONSENT CALENDAR - none**
- G. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN OR ORAL TESTIMONY**
- H. MINUTES - none**
- I. ACTION ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR - none**
- J. COMMUNICATIONS - none**
- K. COMMITTEE REPORTS - none**
- L. RESOLUTIONS**

**Reso 23-36** "REFERRING TO THE LĀNA‘I, MAUI, AND MOLOKA‘I PLANNING COMMISSIONS A PROPOSED BILL RELATED TO FARM DWELLINGS"

	AYE	NO	EXC	Time Deliberations Began	10:52 a.m.
Pro Tem Kama	√			Time Motion Made	10:52 a.m.
VC Sugimura	√			Motion	Rule 5E DISCHARGE ADEPT Committee
CM Paltin		√		Maker	Johnson
CM Johnson	√			Seconder	Sugimura
CM Rawlins- Fernandez	√			Time Vote Taken	10:52 a.m.
CM Cook	√				
CM U‘u-Hodgins	√				
CM Sinenci	√				
Chair Lee	√				
<b>TOTAL VOTES</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>MOTION PASSED</b>	

	AYE	NO	EXC	Time Deliberations Began	10:56 a.m.
Pro Tem Kama	√			Time Motion Made	10:56 a.m.
VC Sugimura	√			Motion	ADOPT
CM Paltin	√			Maker	Sugimura
CM Johnson	√			Seconder	Kama
CM Rawlins- Fernandez		√		Time Vote Taken	11:33 a.m.
CM Cook	√				
CM U‘u-Hodgins	√				

CM Sinenci	√				
Chair Lee	√				
<b>TOTAL VOTES</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>MOTION PASSED</b>	

Time Deliberations Began	10:59 a.m.
Time Motion Made	11:24 a.m.
Motion	AMEND the motion to include transmittal of 3/9/23 ADEPT meeting minutes
Maker	Paltin
Secunder	Sugimura
Time Vote Taken	11:29 a.m.
<b>MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY</b>	

**Reso 23-199** "URGING THE GOVERNOR AND THE MAYOR TO EXPEDITE MANUFACTURED AND MODULAR DEVELOPMENTS IN AREAS SUPPORTED BY THE WEST MAUI COMMUNITY PLAN"

Referred to the Disaster, Resilience, International Affairs, and Planning Committee without objection.

**Reso 23-201** "URGING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CONTINUE TO CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY-MEDICAL SERVICES IN THE COUNTY OF MAUI"

Referred to the Water Authority, Social Services, and Parks Committee without objection.

**Reso 23-202** "URGING THE MAYOR TO HIRE A QUALIFIED CPA FIRM OR SIMILAR PROFESSIONAL ENTITY TO ENSURE MAUI COUNTY MAXIMIZES ITS ACCESS TO FEDERAL DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS"

	AYE	NO	EXC	Time Deliberations Began	11:36 a.m.
Pro Tem Kama	√			Time Motion Made	11:36 a.m.
VC Sugimura		√		Motion	ADOPT
CM Paltin	√			Maker	Rawlins-Fernandez
CM Johnson	√			Secunder	Kama
CM Rawlins-Fernandez	√			Time Vote Taken	11:41 a.m.
CM Cook	√				

CM U'u-Hodgins	√				
CM Sinenci	√				
Chair Lee	√				
<b>TOTAL VOTES</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>MOTION PASSED</b>	

**Reso 23-203** "AUTHORIZING A COUNCIL COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT A FORMAL INVESTIGATION OF COUNTY AGENCIES ON THE COUNTY'S RESPONSE TO THE AUGUST 2023 WILDFIRES ON MAUI ISLAND"

Referred to the Government Relations, Ethics, and Transparency Committee without objection.

**M. ORDINANCES**

**Bill 55 (2022)** "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3.76, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR THE MOLOKAI FARMING COST REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM FUND"

Time Deliberations Began	12:02 p.m.
Time Motion Made	12:02 p.m.
Motion	Rule 5E DISCHARGE from ADEPT Committee
Maker	Johnson
Secunder	Sugimura
Time Vote Taken	12:03 p.m.
<b>MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY</b>	

Time Motion Made	12:03 p.m.
Motion	WAIVE RULE 7G
Maker	Sinenci
Secunder	Johnson
Time Vote Taken	12:04 p.m.
<b>MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY</b>	

Time Deliberations Began	12:04 p.m.
Time Motion Made	12:04 p.m.
Motion	PASS ON FIRST READING, as amended
Maker	Sinenci
Secunder	Kama
Time Vote Taken	12:06 p.m.
<b>MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY</b>	

Time Motion Made	12:05 p.m.
Motion	AMEND to set effective date at 11/15/2023
Maker	Rawlins-Fernandez
Secunder	Sinenci
Time Vote Taken	12:06 p.m.
<b>MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY</b>	

**Bill 85 (2023)** "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3.48.230, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION BY DISASTER"

Time Deliberations Began	12:07 p.m.
Time Motion Made	12:07 p.m.
Motion	WAIVE RULE 7G
Maker	Paltin
Secunder	Sugimura
Time Vote Taken	12:07 p.m.
<b>MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY</b>	

Time Motion Made	12:07 p.m.
Motion	PASS ON FIRST READING
Maker	Paltin
Secunder	Sugimura
Time Vote Taken	12:08 p.m.
<b>MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY</b>	

**Bill 86 (2023)** "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO MAUI WILDFIRES DEBRIS REMOVAL"

Referred to the Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee without objection.

**Bill 87 (2023)** "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 10, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PAID PARKING ZONES AND PERMIT PARKING ZONES IN WAILUKU, PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES FOR THE WAILUKU GARAGE, AND PENALTIES FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS"

Referred to the Water and Infrastructure Committee without objection.

**N. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none**

**TIME MEETING ADJOURNED: 1:02 p.m.**

TRANSCRIPTION

Council of the County of Maui on 2023-09-15 9:00 AM - Regular Meeting

>> WILL THE MAUI COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING PLEASE COME TO ORDER. GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS, AND EVERYONE. THIS IS THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2023. AND BEFORE WE START WITH ROLL CALL, I WANT TO SAY THAT IN CASE YOU ARE FLYING TO ETHIOPIA THIS WEEKEND, YOU CAN IMPRESS THE PEOPLE BY USING THEIR LANGUAGE AND USING THE GREETING SALAM, AND SALAM MEANS "PEACE BE WITH YOU." AND FOR MAUI COUNTY AND LAHAINA, LET'S HOPE THAT PEACE WAS GOING TO BE WITH ALL OF US. MADAM CLERK. >> CHAIR, PROCEEDING WITH ROLL CALL. COUNCIL MEMBER PRO TEMPORE TASHA KAMA. >> ALOHA KAKAHIKA, CHAIR, AND SALAM TO EVERYONE ELSE.\r\n\r\n>> VICE-CHAIR YUKI LEI SUGIMURA. >> SALAM EVERYBODY, AND GOOD MORNING. LOOKING FORWARD TO A PRODUCTIVE MEETING, CHAIR. >> COUNCIL MEMBER TAMARA PALTIN. >> ALOHA KAKAHIKA, AND SALAM. >> COUNCIL MEMBER GABE JOHNSON. >> SALAM, ALOHA, CHAIR, COUNCIL MEMBERS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS.\r\n\r\nTHERE'S NO TESTIFIERS AT THE LANA'I DISTRICT OFFICE. MAHALO. >> COUNCIL MEMBER KEANI RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> ALOHA KAKAHIKA KAKOU. MAI NUI AKAMA AND THERE ARE NO TESTIFIERS AT THE MOLOKA'I DISTRICT OFFICE. SALAM. >> COUNCIL MEMBER TOM COOK?\r\n\r\n>> ALOHA AND SALAM, CHAIR, AND COUNCIL. >> COUNCIL MEMBER NOHELANI UU-HODGINS. >> GOOD MORNING. >> COUNCIL MEMBER SHANE SINENCI. >> ALOHA AND SALAM. >> COUNCIL CHAIR ALICE LEE. >> >> SALAM KAKOU.\r\n\r\n>> CHAIR, ALL MEMBERS ARE PRESENT, WHICH GIVES YOU A QUORUM TO CONDUCT THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE FOR THE RECORD, I'M COUNTY CLERK MOANA LUTEY AND ALSO PRESENT ARE DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK RICHELLE THOMSON AND JOYCE MURASHIGE, LAUREN SALDANA AND DELL YOSHIDA AND DIRECTOR DAVID RAATZ, AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR RICHELLE KAWASAKI AND FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATION COUNSEL VICTORIA TAKAYESU, CORPORATION COUNSEL AND FIRST DEPUTY CORPORATION COUNSEL MIMI DES JARDINS. >> OPENING REMARKS WILL BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KEANI RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO CLAIR AND MAHALO FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE OPENING REMARKS THIS MORNING. LAST WEEK, SOMEONE SHARED WITH ME THE ORIGIN OF THE EXPRESSION "TALKING IN CIRCLES." TALKING IN CIRCLES, I'M SORRY SURE YOU HAVE HEARD THE EXPRESSION. IT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU EVER WANT TO BE ACCUSED OF DOING; RIGHT? REPEATING THE SAME POINT. IT WAS MADE A DEROG TIR EXPRESSION TO UNDERMINE AND SHAME THE PRACTICE OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES.\r\n\r\nTHE PRACTICE OF STORYTELLING WHILE SITTING IN A CIRCLE. IN ORDER FOR PEOPLE'S ORAL HISTORY TO SURVIVE, THE STORIES MUST BE REPEATED. IN DISCUSSING THE MO'OLELO, KNOWLEDGE CAN CONTINUE TO BE BUILT UPON. THERE IS VALUE IN REPEATING A STORY THAT SHOULD BE MEMORIALIZED IN OUR COLLECTIVE MEMORY. KUPUNA. WHEN ATTENDING OUR MEETINGS FROM OUR DISTRICT OFFICE, COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN WOULD REFER TO HER LOCATION BY THE TRADITIONAL NAME OF 'OLELO, SHADED BY THE BREADFRUIT GROVE OF LELE, SHOWCASES ART, DEPICTING IN HER VIDEO BACKGROUND. RECENTLY HAD THE PLEASURE OF RE-COUNTING THE HISTORY, AND IT'S RICH DETAILS, GIVING IT MORE LIFE INVESTMENT IN HUMAN CAPITAL OF PLANTING AND MAINTAINING THE GROVE AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEMS, WORKERS SYMBOLICALLY WITH NATURE TO MAXIMIZE ABUNDANCE FOR PEOPLE BOTH AND THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT.\r\n\r\n\r\nINCREASING RAINFALL, AQUIFER RECHARGE, NEAR-SHORE WATER DISCHARGE, ATTRACTING AN ABUNDANCE OF FISH TO THE HEALTHY ESTUARIES A FLOURISHING AHUPUA'A TO FEED EVERYONE. IN THE NEWS INTERVIEW, PELLEGRINO SAID IT'S NOT SO MUCH WHAT YOU WOULD HAVE SEEN, IT IS WHAT YOU WOULD FELT. THE CLIMATE LAHAINA WAS VERY DIFFERENT. LEYNA WAS ONCE AN ENTIRE AGRI FORESTRY FULL OF COCONUTS AND KALO AND MANY OTHER CROPS THAT OUR KUPUNA BROUGHT ALONG WITH THEM. LAHAINA WAS A LOT COOLER AND IT WAS A FOOD FOREST. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE NEVER HEARD THIS HISTORY TO ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THIS ULU GROVE OF LELE WAS NOT A ONE-OFF. IN KONA ON A LARGE GROVE REFERRED TO AS LULU THAT STRETCHED FROM HONA TO KALOKO, ABOUT HALF A MILE WIDE.\r\n\r\n\r\nNATO LINCOLN WRITES "THE TREES WERE A GOOD DISTANCE APART, SO AS TO GIVE ROOM FOR THEIR BOUGHS TO SPREAD OUT VIGOROUSLY ON ALL SIDES AND THE SPREADING

TREES WITH BEAUTIFUL FOLIAGE WERE SCATTERED ABOUT FROM THE SHORE ALONG THE SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN AS FAR AS WE COULD SEE ON BOTH SIDES. BETWEEN THE TREES, SWEET POTATO AND PAPER MULBERRY WERE GROWN WHERE SHADE FROM THE BREADFRUIT OFFERED SHELTER FROM THE SCORCHING KONA SUN. IT WAS A HUGE SOURCE OF FOOD, ONE THAT WOULD EVEN PRODUCE IN DROUGHT YEARS. SO WHAT HAPPENED, MR. PELLEGRINO DESCRIBED AN 1877 ARTICLE THAT SPECIFICALLY TALKED ABOUT PIONEER SUGAR COMPANY PUSHING THE CUT SUGARCANE UP AGAINST THE ULU TREES AND BURNING THEM DOWN. THE ARTICLE DESCRIBES THE OUTCRY FROM HAWAIIAN FAMILIES AND THE BROADER COMMUNITY BEGGING THEM TO STOP, BECAUSE THE ULU TREES WERE NOT JUST A SYMBOL OF LAHAINA, BUT THEY HELPED TO SUSTAIN THAT POPULATION. THE GROVE OF ULU THAT PROVIDES AN ABUNDANCE OF FOOD FREE TO THE PEOPLE WAS REPLACED BY SUGARCANE TO TURN A PROVE FOR COLONIZER PLANTATIONS, PLANTATIONS THAT THEN DIVERTED THE STREAMS, THAT SET THE STAGE FOR THIS DEVASTATING FIRE.

SOMETIMES WE ASSUME THAT PEOPLE KNOW THE STORY OF A PLACE. SOMETIMES WHEN IT'S RETOLD, ONE PERSON IN A GROUP WILL HEAR IT FOR THE FIRST TIME. SOMETIMES, SOMEONE WHO HEARD THE STORY BEFORE WILL LEARN A NEW DETAIL OR MAKE A NEW CONNECTION AND UNDERSTAND IT IN A NEW WAY. IF WE DON'T TELL OUR STORIES, NOT ONLY WILL THEY NOT BE PRESERVED, BUT OTHER STORIES WILL BE TOLD IN ITS PLACE AND ERASING OUR CULTURE. A STORY ABOUT A BANYAN TREE AS A SYMBOL OF LAHAINA. WE HAVE THE BLUEPRINT OF WHAT WORKED. WE DON'T NEED TO REINVENT THE WHEEL TO PREVENT FIRES.

I HAVE HEARD IT AGAIN AND AGAIN FROM THE COMMUNITY, THE CALL FOR THE RESTORATION OF A STORY OF ABUNDANCE. NOW GO TALK IN CIRCLES AND TELL YOUR FRIENDS THIS STORY OF ABUNDANCE. MAHALO FOR THIS INSPIRATION. NEWS FROM THIS -- NEWS THIS MORNING FROM MOLOKA'I COMPELLED ME TO ADD A SHORT PELE IN CLOSING WHEN THINGS GET HARD, MAY WE LOVE EACH OTHER HARDER. MAY WE CONTINUE TO FIGHT FOR EACH OTHER, NOT AGAINST EACH OTHER. MAY WE HOLD EACH OTHER CLOSE AND NOT LET GO. MAHALO, CHAIR.

>> AMEN. THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NOW MEMBERS AND EVERYONE, PLEASE JOIN ME WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL. BEFORE WE PROCEED WITH TODAY'S AGENDA, MAY I PLEASE REQUEST THAT EVERYONE KEEP THEIR MICROPHONES MUTED, UNLESS IT'S YOUR TURN TO SPEAK. ORAL OR WRITTEN TESTIMONY WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING, AND PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL'S DELIBERATION ON EACH SECTION OF THE AGENDA.

TESTIMONY MUST PERTAIN TO ITEMS ON THE MEETING AGENDA. WHEN TESTIFYING, PLEASE DIRECT YOUR REMARKS TO THE COUNCIL, AND NOT TO ANY INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBER, OR MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. EACH TESTIFIER WILL BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK FOR UP TO THREE MINUTES ON EACH ITEM. DECORUM SHALL BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES ANY PERSON WHO BEHAVES IN A MANNER THAT DISRUPTS DISTURBS OR IMPEDE THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF ANY COUNCIL MEETING CAN BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER, OR A MAJORITY OF PRESENT COUNCIL MEMBERS BE EJECTED OR BANNED FROM COUNCIL MEETINGS, OR IF PARTICIPATING REMOTELY, MUTED OR DROPPED FROM THE MEETING. EXAMPLES OF DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR INCLUDE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO HECKLING, SHOUTING, USE OF PROFANITY, THREATENING OR SLANDEROUS REMARKS MADE TO ANY COUNCIL MEMBER, STAFF OR GENERAL PUBLIC. AS A REMINDER THE CHAT SHOULD BE USED ONLY TO SIGN UP FOR TESTIMONY AND NOT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTARY ON THE MEETING. IT WILL BE CONSIDERED A BREACH OF DECORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO USE THE CHAT FOR ANYTHING OTHER THAN TESTIMONY SIGN UP.

MS. CLERK, PLEASE PROCEED. >> CHAIR, SECTION D OF THE AGENDA, WHICH IS TESTIMONY ON CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS. AT THIS TIME WE WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTING TESTIMONY ON THE CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION, AND THE FIRST PERSON TO TESTIFY ON THIS SUBJECT IS MIKE MORAN. >> GOOD MORNING, CHAIR LEE, AND COUNCIL MEMBERS. MIKE MORAN FOR THE KIHEI COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAN SEE ME? I'M HAVING CHALLENGES THIS MORNING WITH THE TECHNOLOGY. BUT NO WORRIES. WE JUST WANTED TO SAY A FEW WORDS TO COMMEMORATE OUR WONDERFUL ARBORIST ERNIE REZENTS. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN HELPING OUR COMMUNITY NUMEROUS TIMES, I WOULD SAY PARTICULARLY WITH THERE WERE A FEW TIMES WHEN SEGMENTS OF OUR GOVERNMENT WANTED TO REMOVE



SOME OF THE FEW TREES THAT WE HAVE IN SOUTH MAUI, AND AS LAY PEOPLE, WE KNEW WE DIDN'T WANT IT TO HAPPEN. BUT TO HAVE A PROFESSIONAL, LIKE ERNIE, COME IN AND SPEAK FOR THE REASONS WHY, AS AN ARBORIST, WHY THEY SHOULD BE PRESERVED, WAS CERTAINLY HELPFUL TO OUR CAUSE, AND IT WAS REASSURING TO US THAT WE ON THE RIGHT PATH. SOMETIMES WHEN A VALUED COMMUNITY MEMBER PASSES, WE USE THE TERM "LET'S NOT MOURN, BUT LET'S CELEBRATE LIFE." AND WE WOULD JUST EXPRESS THAT TO HIS FAMILY HOW MUCH HIS LIFE NEEDS TO BE CELEBRATED. SO IT'S NOTE FORGOTTEN ALL OF THE OUTSTANDING WORK ERNIE DID.

WHAT A WONDERFUL LEGACY TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH IS TREES. WE ALL KNOW MULTIPLE VALUE OF TREES, AND LASTLY, AT KCA, WE JUST RECENTLY WORKED ON A PARTNERSHIP WITH MAUI GREEN AND BEAUTIFUL FOR A PROJECT CALLED "RESHADE MAUI." AND WE CREATED A BROCHURE AND UNFORTUNATELY, THIS IS WHEN I WAS HOPING MY VIDEO WAS WORKING THAT I COULD SHOW YOU THE BROCHURE, BUT I DON'T THINK MY CAMERA IS WORKING. SO I CAN'T SHOW YOU THE BROCHURE. BUT IT'S DEDICATED TO ERNIE REZENTS FOR ALL OF THE WONDERFUL WORK HE DID, AND AGAIN, IT'S CALLED "RESHADE MAUI." IT'S FOR MAUI GREEN AND BEAUTIFUL AND KCA IN PARTNERSHIP. WE JUST WANTED TO EXPRESS OUR THOUGHTS AND COMMEMORATE ERNIE TODAY. MAHALO FOR THE TESTIMONY. >> COUNCIL, ANY QUESTIONS?

IF NOT, THANK YOU, MIKE. >> CHAIR, THERE'S NO ONE ELSE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY ON THE CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION. I WILL DO A QUICK COUNTDOWN, 3, 2, 1. CHAIR, THERE'S NO ONE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY. >> MEMBERS ANY OBJECTIONS TO CLOSING TESTIMONY ON THE CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS? >> NO OBJECTIONS, CHAIR. >> VERY GOOD. THANK YOU.

SO ORDERED. MS. CLERK. >> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, MOVING ON TO SECTION E, CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS, RESOLUTION 23-00, EXTENDING CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE ERNEST "ERNIE" REZENTS. >> COUNCIL MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I MOVE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-200. >> MOVED BY MEMBER JOHNSON, SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 3-200. DISCUSSION?

MEMBER JOHNSON. >> CHAIR, I WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST THE CLERK TO READ THE RESOLUTION IN IT'S ENTIRETY. >> MS. CLERK. >> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. RESOLUTION 23-200, EXTENDING CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE ERNEST "ERNIE" REZENTS. WHEREAS, ERNEST "ERNIE" REZENTS, ONE OF THE MOST RESPECTED ARBORISTS IN THE HISTORY OF HAWAII, PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 13, 2023 AT THE AGE OF 91 IN WAILUKU SURROUNDED BY HIS FAMILY; AND WHEREAS, ERNIE WAS BORN ON JAN 17, 1932 AT MAUI PU'UNENE HOSPITAL TO ERNEST AND VICTORIA REZENTS AND WAS RAISED IN PUHALA VILLAGE IN WAI'EHU; AND WHEREAS, ERNIE GRADUATED FROM ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL IN WAILUKU IN 1950 AND BEGAN ATTENDING UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANA'O TO STUDY SECONDARY EDUCATION; AND WHEREAS, ERNIE'S FIRST TEACHING JOB WAS IN HONOKA'A, HAWAII ISLAND WHERE HE MET ALENE HUMPHRIES THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE AND ERNIE AND ALENE MARRIED INN 1958 AND PURCHASED A HOME IN MAKAWAO, WHERE THE COUPLE RAISED FIVE CHILDREN, CULTIVATED AN URBAN FOREST AND ESTABLISHED A GATHERING PLACE FOR THEIR 10 GRANDCHILDREN AND THREE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN; AND WHEREAS, IN 1960, ERNIE BEGAN TEACHING AT MAUI TECHNICAL SCHOOL, NOW KNOWN AS UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII - MAUI COLLEGE STARTING A CAREER THAT SPANNED FOR MORE THAN 50 YEARS IN WHICH HE TAUGHT COURSES SUCH AS "ALL ABOUT TREES"; AND WHEREAS, ERNIE RETURNED TO SCHOOL TO MAJOR IN BIOLOGY AT UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, AND TOOK COURSES IN HORTICULTURE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS DEVELOPING A RESPECT FOR AND EXPERTISE IN TREES; AND WHEREAS, AFTER RETURNING HOME, ERNIE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN ESTABLISHING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII MAUI COLLEGE'S AGRICULTURAL CAREERS PROGRAM AND SUCCESSFULLY LOBBIED THE STATE FOR FUNDING TO CONSTRUCT A CLASSROOM AND GREENHOUSE FACILITY TO TEACH HORTICULTURE, ARBORICULTURE AND OTHER PLANT-MANAGEMENT COURSES; AND WHEREAS, ERNIE COMPLAINED HIS LOVE TREES TO MAUI GREEN AND BEAUTIFUL LAST YEAR, TREES PROVIDE US WITH FRUIT, FLOWERS, SHADE AND NUMEROUS ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS; AND WHEREAS, IN 1991, ERNIE DRAFTED THE FIRST MAUI COUNTY PLANTING PLAN, A 179-PAGE DOCUMENT, TO ADVISE THE COUNTY ON HOW TO CARE FOR ITS STREET AND PARK TREES AND TO IDENTIFY EXCEPTIONAL TREES; AND WHEREAS, IN 2016 ERNIE RESEARCHED, WROTE AND COORDINATED THE CURRENT THIRD EDITION OF THE MAUI COUNTY PLANTING PLAN, A 243-PAGE GUIDE FOR CARING, PRUNING, PLANTING REPLANTING, REMOVING

AND PRESERVING TREES AND OTHER PLANTS IN THE COUNTY WITH MAPS PREPARED BY HIS FRIEND AND FORESTER BOB HOBDY; AND WHEREAS, IN 2015, ERNIE WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF ARBORICULTURE FOR HIS OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AS A TEACHER AND ADVOCATE AS WAS HONORED AS ONLY ONE IN THREE OF THE WORLD TO RECEIVE THE TRUE PROFESSIONAL ARBORICULTURE AWARD; AND WHEREAS, ERNIE WAS A LONG-TIME ADVOCATE FOR PROTECTING THE LAHAINA BANYAN TREE, WHICH HE REGARDS A LIVING TREASURE, NOTING IT WAS ONE OF THE COUNTY'S MOST VALUABLE ASSETS; AND WHEREAS, ERNIE'S TREE-CARE PHILOSOPHY WAS SIMPLE, TREAT TREES AS YOU WANT TO BE TREATED, AND THEY WILL REWARD YOU WITH BENEFITS YOU COULD NOT FIND ELSEWHERE; AND, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI: 1, THAT IT EXTENDS ITS CONDOLENCES AND DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO THE FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF THE LATE ERNEST "ERNIE" REZENTS, AND THAT IT EXPRESSES ITS GRATITUDE TO ERNIE FOR HIS DEDICATION FOR SHARING HIS KNOWLEDGE OF TREE CARE AND PROMOTING ARBORICULTURE IN THE COUNTY OF MAUI; AND THAT CERTIFIED COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO ERNIE'S CHILDREN, DAVID JAMES REZENTS, DIANA LEE FAIN, KATHRIN REZENTS DUFFY, LAURA ANN REZENTS AND JUDITH ELLEN DAVIES; DUANE SPARKMAN CHAIR, MAUI COUNTY; AND RICHARD T. BISSEN, JR., MAYOR OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI. >> MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THE PURPOSE AND MEANING IS ONE THING THAT HELPS US CARRY THROUGH. WHEN WE HONOR THE LIVES OF THOSE WHO ARE PASSED, THERE'S SO MUCH WE CAN LEARN ABOUT PURPOSE. WHEN WE HEAR ABOUT LIFETIME OF DEEDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS MADE FOR THE SAKE OF SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY, THERE'S SO MUCH TO BE INSPIRED BY AND INTEGRATE INTO OUR OWN LIVES. THE LIFE OF ERNIE REZENTS IS ONE SUCH MODEL WE CAN DRAW FROM. A BORN AND RAISED MAUI BOY, ERNIE FOLLOWED THE TRACK WE OFTEN WISH FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, GO GET MANY TRAINING AND EDUCATION, AND RETURN HOME, COME BACK AND GIVE, GIVE, AND GIVE BACK AND APPLY WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED.\r\n\r\nERNIE DID JUST THAT. BY THE LIKE THE TREES HE REVERED HE DUG HIS ROOTS IN AND SPREAD HIS BRANCHES WIDE AND PLANT SEEDS TO FLOURISH THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY, THESE SEEDS WERE LITERAL AND METAPHORIC AND HE NOT ONLY PLANTED HUNDREDS OF TREES THAT CONTINUE TO SHADE TODAY AND BEAR FRUIT. MAUI COUNTY PLANTING PLAN WAS WRITTEN AND EXTENSIVELY RESEARCHED BY ERNIE. ERNIE CALLED THE PLAN HIS LEGACY AND IT IS INDEED SOMETHING THAT LIVES ON, AND INVALUABLE RESOURCE TO HELP GOVERNMENT AND TREE LOVERS, LAND- SCAPERS AND GARDENERS FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY TAKE THE BEST TREES AND PLANTS FOR ANY AREA AND GUIDES US TO CARE FOR AND MAINTAIN THE TREES. THIS PLAN I HAVE BEEN TOLD IS SO EXEMPLARY IT'S BEEN REFERRED TO BY OTHER COUNTIES ACROSS THE STATE. ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF PERPETUAL IMPACT OF ERNIE'S SERVICE THE AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM HE CREATED FOR MAUI COLLEGE AND LOBBIED FOR A CLASSROOM AND GREENHOUSE FACILITY, WHICH WERE EVENTUALLY FUNDED BY STATE AND TEACHING GENERATIONS AND INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED FOR HIS EXPERTISE, NEWS ARTICLES RECOUNTED HOW HE CARED FOR HIS WIFE AND THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE, ALENE, ALL THEIR DAYS -- THROUGHOUT THEIR DAYS TOGETHER. I WAS THERE WHEN ERNIE WAS HONORED LAST YEAR AS OUTSTANDING OLDER AMERICAN IN THIS COUNTY, AND IT WAS JUST LESS THAN A YEAR-AGO THAT HE WAS STILL PASSIONATE AS EVER, AND THESE VERY CHAMBERS TELLING US FROM THE PODIUM, RIGHT THERE, HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO HAVE TREES IN OUR PARKING LOTS, AND TO FOLLOW THROUGH THE GUIDANCE OF THE PLANTING TREES AND QUOTED AS SAYING "TREAT TREES THE WAY YOU WOULD WANT TO BE WANTED." AND ALSO QUOTED AS SAYING "MAUI WAS MY ISLAND, I WAS BORN HERE, GREW UP HERE AND RAISE MID FAMILY HERE AND WANT TOO LEAVE IT A BETTER PLACE ." AS WE CONTINUE OUR WORK IN THE CHAMBERS, TO VALUE OUR NATURAL SURROUNDINGS AS SINCERELY AS ERNIE DID.\r\n\r\nIN OUR WORK, I HOPE WE CAN DIG IN DEEP AND LEAVE THIS A BETTER PLACE. THANK YOU, ERNIE, FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE AND THANK TO ERNIE'S 'OHANA FOR SHARING THIS GREAT MAN WITH OUR COMMUNITY. I EXTEND HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES FOR YOU. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE COUNCIL MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ OPENING REMARKS AND HOW IMPORTANT THEY ARE AND HOW IT'S APPLICABLE TODAY FOR ERNIE'S LEGACY. THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNCIL MEMBER AND I ALSO ASK FOR THE MEMBERS' SUPPORT OF MY MOTION. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nVICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU, I TOO, HONOR AND CHERISH ERNIE REZENTS. I HAVE A

MEMORY FOREVER OF HIM U AND AT THAT SAME CEREMONY HE WAS HONORED FOR OLDER AMERICAN, I WENT UP TO HIM, AND SAID, MR. REZENTS, I HAVE CYPRESS TREES THAT MY GARDENER DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO HAND BECAUSE OF THE SIZE AND HE PASSED ON THE NAME OF THE TREE-TRIMMER. IN MY PHONE FOREVER I HAVE HIS NAME AND HOW I SEARCH FOR HIM, I SEARCH FOR HIM UNDER ERNIE REZENTS, MY SIDE NOTE THAT I CAN ALWAYS FIND HIM. I WILL SAY, HE HAD THE BIGGEST SMILE AND LIVED OUT OF ENTHUSIASM. HE LOVED HIS WIFE AND FAMILY AND HE HAS THE MOST INTERESTING HOUSE THAT WILL -- THAT IN MAKAWAO, AND WHENEVER I PASS IT, I THINK OF HIM, BECAUSE IT LOOKS LIKE AN HISTORICAL HOME.\r\n\r\nONE DAY WHEN I SAW HIM, SAID, IT IS AN HISTORICAL HOME AND WORKED TO MAINTAIN THE CHARACTER LIKE THAT. I HOPE ONE DAY IT WOULD BE RECOGNIZED FOR THE WORK HE HAS GIVEN IN HIS LIFETIME. SO WE WILL WORK ON THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I SUPPORT THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, GABE JOHNSON, FOR BRINGING THIS RESOLUTION FORWARD. >> ANY MORE DISCUSSION?\r\n\r\nIF NOT, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF ADOPTING THE RESOLUTION, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND, SAY AYE? >> AYE. >> NINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES. MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHERAW. WITHOUT OBJECTION I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE THE ATTENDEES TO THE PODIUM TO SAY A FEW WORDS. >> WOULD MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY LIKE TO COME DOWN?\r\n\r\nGOOD MORNING. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. >> MY NAME IS DIANA REZENTS FAIN, I'M ERNIE'S FIRST BORN AND I'M GOING TO TRY TO HOLD IT TOGETHER HERE. WE ARE VERY HUMBLLED FOR YOU FOLKS TO HONOR OUR DAD IN THIS WAY. WE KNEW HIM EVEN MORE THAN JUST THE TREE MAN. HE TUTORED ME IN HIGH SCHOOL ALGEBRA, AND I ACED IT THANKS TO MY DAD. ALWAYS ENCOURAGED US TO GET A GOOD EDUCATION, WHICH WE DID.\r\n\r\nAND I WANT TO JUST THANK MAUI COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR WHAT YOU ARE DOING. MY DAD WOULD BE VERY HONORED, AND HUMBLLED. SO THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. >> GOOD MORNING. >> GOOD MORNING. >> I'M JUDY REZENTS DAVIES, DAD'S NO.\r\n\r\n5. AS IS VERY OBVIOUS FROM WHAT HAS BEEN SAID TODAY, DAD LOVED THE ISLAND, AND THE PEOPLE OF MAUI. WHILE THE MAUI COUNTY PLANTING PLAN WOULD BE CONSIDERED THE CROWNING JEWEL OF HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS, I THINK DAD'S BIGGEST GOAL, AND ACCOMPLISHED GOAL IN LIFE WAS TO BRING BEAUTY AND QUALITY, NOT ONLY TO THE ISLAND OF MAUI, BUT TO THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE HERE AND THEIR LIVES AND HE DID THAT IN SO MANY PERSONAL WAYS, AS WELL AS JUST SIMPLY PLANTING TREES WHERE THEY WOULD FLOURISH FOR OUR ENJOYMENT. SO I'M VERY APPRECIATIVE, DAD, TO YOU FOR THAT. AN EXPERIENCE THAT I CAN SHARE YOU WITH GUYS ABOUT BEING ERNIE'S DAUGHTER IS THAT EVERYWHERE WE WENT ON MAUI, IF I WAS WITH MY DAD, AND HE WOULD TALK TO SOMEBODY, AFTER HE WOULD TALK, HE WOULD SAY TO ME, THAT IS MY FORMER STUDENT. EVERYBODY WAS DAD'S FORMER STUDENT. WHEN MY SISTERS AND I WOULD WALK AROUND ON OUR OWN, OFTEN TIMES PEOPLE WOULD SAY, OH, REZENTS GIRL AND THAT WAS JUST BECAUSE OF DAD. SO LOTS OF MEMORIES, BECAUSE OF HOW HE INVESTED IN THIS ISLAND, AND ITS LIFE.\r\n\r\nSO THANK YOU, ESPECIALLY DURING THIS TIME ON OUR BELOVED MAUI FOR RECOGNIZING DAD'S CONTRIBUTION IN ITS VITALITY. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. EXCUSE ME, COULD YOU TAKE A PICTURE WITH US. WOULD YOU LIKE IT TAKE A PICTURE? OKAY MEMBERS. MAHALO.\r\n\r\nMADAM CLERK. >> CHAIR, MOVING TON ITEM F, CONSENT CALENDAR. THERE'S NO BUSINESS. WE'LL MOVE TO G, PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN OR ORAL TESTIMONY. AT THIS TIME, INDIVIDUALS MAY TESTIFY ON ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA. THE FIRST PERSON SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY IS DOUG CHIN, TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-201 AND HE WILL BE FOLLOWED BY SUSAN DAVIS. >> CHAIR LEE, VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA, COUNCIL MEMBERS, GOOD MORNING, ALOHA AND SALAM.\r\n\r\nMY NAME IS DOUG CHEN. I AT AN ATTORNEY AND REGISTERED LOBBYIST, TESTIFYING ON BEHALF OF BULK USA REGARDING RESOLUTION 23-201. I JUST ALSO WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND RECOGNIZE THAT WITH ME IN THE AUDIENCE IN-PERSON IS TROY HAGEN, WHO IS THE CHIEF COMMERCIAL OFFICER FOR FALCK USA AND MOUST AND WHO SUBMITTED WRITTEN TESTIMONY THAT WAS PART OF YOUR PACKETS, HOPEFULLY. SO YOU HAD A CHANCE TO BE ABLE TO REVIEW THAT. LAST MONTH, FALCK WAS VERY HUMBLLED AND HONORED, WHEN IT LEARNED THAT IT HAD WILL BE SELECTED BY THE HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE PARAMEDIC SERVICES TO MAUI COUNTY. WE UNDERSTAND NOW THAT THERE IS A BID PROTEST THAT IS UNDERWAY THAT WAS FILED BY THE INCUMBENT. AND WE ARE RESPECTING THAT PROCESS. WE ALSO RECOGNIZE OBVIOUSLY THAT THERE'S A

RESOLUTION IN FRONT OF THE COUNCIL RIGHT NOW, AND WE RESPECT THAT, AND UNDERSTAND THAT THE COUNCIL WILL DO WHATEVER IT FEELS IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO WITH RESPECT TO THAT RESOLUTION.

ALL I WANT DODD SAY IN MY TESTIMONY THIS MORNING WAS THAT IF THE CONTRACT GOES FORWARD WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND IT GOES FORWARD WITH FALCK, WE JUST WANTED TO SHARE TWO THINGS. THE FIRST IS THAT FALCK WILL WELCOME ALL MEMBERS OF THE UNION WHO WENT TO COME OVER AND BY "UNION" THAT MEANS THE MAUI COUNTY PARAMEDIC ASSOCIATION, OF COURSE. THAT IS WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. SECONDLY, THEIR SENIORITY WILL BE RECOGNIZED AT THE SAME LEVEL AND THIRDLY, AND THIS IS PERHAPS THE MOST IMPORTANT, IS THAT IF THE CONTRACT WITH FALCK GOES FORWARD, FALCK WILL ABIDE BY THE CURRENT UNION CONTRACT. AND IN WRITING ALL OF THESE THINGS I KNOW YOU ARE HEARING ME AS A LAWYER AND HE IS TRIB TO BE CUTE AND IS HE TRYING TO SAY SOMETHING THAT IS PARSING SOMETHING? THAT IS NOT THE INTENTION. ANYONE WHO WANTS TO COME OVER, THE MESSAGE IS FALCK WOULD BE HONORED, AND DELIGHTED TO HAVE THESE HEROIC PEOPLE TO BE PART OF THEIR TEAM.

IF THE CONTRACT GOES FORWARD. SO WE JUST WANTED TO SHARE THAT. AND SECONDLY, PLEASE KNOW ALSO THAT IF THE CONTRACT GOES FORWARD, THEN FALCK IS DEEPLY DEDICATED TO BUILDING TRUST IN AND BECOMING PART OF THE COMMUNITY THAT IT SERVES. WE WANT TO APOLOGIZE A BIT, BECAUSE IT'S BEEN SILENT FROM FALCK, PARTLY BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT THE BID PROTEST IS UNDERWAY. BUT IF THE CONTRACT DOES GO FORWARD, FALCK REALLY LOOKS FORWARD TO BEING ABLE TO MEET WITH ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUDING COUNCIL MEMBERS TO PROVIDE THE BEST SERVICE THAT WE CAN PROVIDE IF THAT HAPPENS. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM. THANK YOU.

>> MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? STARTING WITH PRO TEM KAMA. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE, MR. CHEN. WOULD YOU CLARIFY WHAT YOU MEANT BY THAT THE EMPLOYEES WOULD BE WELCOMED? WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

DOES THAT MEAN YOU ARE GOING TO EMPLOY THEM ALL >> YES. >> OR JUST ALLOW THEM TO COME AND APPLY. >> SO WHAT THEY WOULD DO IS APPLY AND DO A BACKGROUND CHECK AND SUBMIT TO A DRUG TEST. SO ALL THE STANDARD THINGS THAT THEY WOULD DO. IF THAT GOES THROUGH, WE WANT THEM. WE WANT THEM TO COME OVER. >> WOULD THE PAY ALSO BE THE SAME?

>> IT WOULD BE -- YES. BECAUSE THEY WOULD BE FOLLOWED BECAUSE FALCK WOULD BE ABIDING BY THE SAME UNION CONTRACT THAT CURRENTLY EXISTS. >> AND IS THERE ANY INTENT ON FALCK'S PART TO BRING IN ANYONE OUTSIDE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI? >> I THINK FALCK IS -- WHAT FALCK IS COMMITTED TO IS BEING FULLY STAFFED. SO WE'LL DO WHATEVER WE CAN TO BE ABLE TO EMPLOY ANYONE WHO WANTS TO COME OVER AND WE'LL NEED TO ABIDE BY THE CONTRACT, SO WE CAN BE FULLY STAFFED. THE INTENTION IS TO WELCOME AND BRING IN ANYONE WHO WANTS TO COME OVER, WHO IS PART OF THE UNION. >> I'M NOT CLEAR ABOUT WHETHER IT WAS YES OR NO.

>> I'M SORRY. >> ARE YOU GOING TO BRING IN THOSE FROM THE U.S. CONTINENT OR NO, THAT IS MY QUESTION. >> IF THEY NEED TO -- YES, IF THEY NEED TO. THAT IS THE ANSWER. >> THANK YOU. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA.

>> THANK YOU. NICE TO SEE YOU HERE THIS MORNING. >> THANK YOU. >> . >> THANK YOU. >> WE RECEIVE LOTS OF TESTIMONY, SO JUST TO CLARIFY, BECAUSE YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT YOUR CONTRACT. CHAIR, I HOPE YOU ALLOW THIS AS A CLARIFYING QUESTION, BECAUSE ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WAS OMITTED, AND DID NOT REQUIRE IN THE NEW BID WAS AN ADVANCE LIFE-SAVING SERVICES. I THINK THAT IS WHAT ALL THE TESTIMONY THAT WE HEAR AND FROM OUR TALENTED AMR STAFF, OF WHICH I VISITED THEM IN KULA.

THAT IS WHAT WE WERE HEARING THE CONCERN, THE LEVEL OF SERVICE WOULD GO DOWN THAT WASN'T REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROCESS. >> THANK YOU. IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN WHAT THE RFP SAID AND HOW THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CHARACTERIZED IT. AS FAR AS FALCK IS CONCERNED, FALCK IS AND IS COMMITTED TO MAINTAINING CURRENT STAFFING-LEVELS FOR ALL ALS AMBULANCES. SO WE'RE NOT CHANGING THE ALS SERVICES, BUT TRYING TO IMPROVE IT. >> EVEN IN WORDS; RIGHT? BECAUSE WE'RE A BODY OF WORDS.

SO IS THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. SO EVEN IF IN WORDS IT DID NOT SPECIFY THAT FALCK IS COMMITTED TO, AND YOU WILL INCLUDE THAT THEN. >> CORRECT. >> IN YOUR CONTRACT. >> CORRECT. >> THANK YOU. >> MEMBER PALTIN.

>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I WANTED TO CLARIFY THE PART ABOUT YOUR OPEN TO BRINGING PEOPLE OVER FROM AMR YES. >> AS YOU MUST

KNOW, THERE'S NO RESPONSIBLE BIDDER ORDINANCE. SO I WANTED TO CLARIFY, YOU DO NOT HAVE EMPLOYEES IN MAUI OR KAUA'I AT THIS TIME? >> CORRECT. >> SO IS THIS DIFFERENT SITUATION BECAUSE WHEN THEY TOOK OVER THE CONTRACT FOR ROBERT SFOR THE SCHOOL BUSES OUR CHILDREN SUFFERED BECAUSE CDL DRIVERS DID NOT COME OVER. OUR KIDS WERE RIDING TO SCHOOL IN THE BACK OF TRUCKS FOR LACK OF DRIVERS.\r\n\r\nSO HOW IS THIS DIFFERENT? >> AND I'M VERY SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT THE SCHOOL SITUATION. THAT IS NOT WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN HERE. THERE'S ONLY A FINITE NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN MAUI, WHO ARE LICENSED, WHO ARE EQUIPPED, AND CAPABLE OF BEING ABLE TO HANDLE THESE KINDS OF SERVICES. AS WE ALL KNOW, THEY HAVE ABLY AND COMPETENTLY AND PROFESSIONALLY PROVIDED THOSE SERVICES FOR ALL THESE YEARS. THEY ARE WELCOMED TO COME OVER. FALCK NEEDS THEM TO COME OVER.\r\n\r\nSO IT IS NOT GOING TO BE THE SAME SITUATION. >> AND THE 10,000 PEOPLE DISPLACED FROM THE FIRE, THE PEOPLE THAT YOU BRING FROM THE CONTINENT WILL BE COMPETING WITH THEM FOR HOUSING? >> I DON'T KNOW HOW TO ANSWER THAT. I SUPPOSE THAT THEY WILL NEED TO FIND HOUSING AS WELL. BUT EVERYBODY NEEDS TO HAVE HOUSING. ANYBODY WHO WORKS HERE. WE WOULDN'T WANT THEM TO BE FLYING OVER HERE AND JUST NOT LIVING HERE PERMANENTLY.\r\n\r\n>> I SEE. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU MEMBER PALTIN. >> MEMBER KEANI RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. I GUESS THIS QUESTION FOR YOU. BECAUSE THIS RESOLUTION WAS INTRODUCED BY YOU.\r\n\r\nDO YOU INTEND TO TAKE ACTION ON THE FLOOR TODAY, OR IS THIS SOMETHING THAT WE WOULD TAKE TO COMMITTEE? SO THAT WE CAN HAVE MORE DISCUSSION, PERHAPS? ON THIS? >> I'M CERTAINLY OPEN TO THAT, YES. >> I DON'T KNOW IF THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING THAT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL FOR ALL OF US AS REPRESENTATIVES OF OUR COMMUNITY, SO WE CAN ASK MORE THAN CLARIFYING QUESTIONS. >> WHEN THE TIME COMES, YES, WE CAN DISCUSS REFERRING IT TO COMMITTEE. >> MAHALO, CHAIR.\r\n\r\n>> AND I DO WANT TO RECOGNIZE THIS IS FIRST READING. SO IF IT DOES GO TO COMMITTEE, WE'RE HAPPY TO SHOW UP AND ANSWER MORE QUESTIONS AND PERHAPS THE PROTEST PROCESS MIGHT BE A LITTLE FURTHER ALONG. SO THEN FALCK WILL BE ABLE TO BE EVEN MORE FORTHCOMING. RIGHT NOW WE'RE TRYING TO RESPECT THE BID PROTEST PROCESS, WHICH IS WHERE I'M HERE AND WHY WE'RE TRYING TO BE CLEAR. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE ADDRESS THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUES THAT I THINK ARE FACING YOUR CONSTITUENTS. >> MAHALO. >> WE ONLY HAVE ONE VOTE ON RESOLUTIONS.\r\n\r\nTHESE TYPES OF RESOLUTIONS. DIFFERENT FROM CITY AND COUNTY. >> I APOLOGIZE. THANK YOU, MA'AM. >> BECAUSE THEY HAVE THREE READINGS. >> YES. >> MEMBER COOK, DID YOU HAVE YOUR HAND UP?\r\n\r\nMEMBER COOK. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE RFP IS UNDER BID PROTEST. SO I FEEL IT'S INAPPROPRIATE FIRST, TO INTERFERE WITH THE PROCESS. IF WE APPROVE THE RESOLUTION, WE'RE ASKING THE STATE TO FAVOR ONE VENDOR OVER ANOTHER, WHICH CONTRADICTS THE VERY REASON THERE'S A PROCEDURE IN THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS. OUR GOAL IS TO PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY AND TO PROVIDE THEM WITH THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF EMERGENCY CARE AND SERVICES REGARDLESS OF THE CONTRACT AWARDEE. SO LET THE PROCESS MOVE FORWARD WITHOUT ANY INTERFERENCE OR DELAY.\r\n\r\nI'M IMPRESSED WITH THE TESTIMONY, AND ENCOURAGED WITH THE COMMITMENT TO BRING OVER -- ACCEPT AND UTILIZE THE CURRENT WORKFORCE THAT IS MY BIGGEST CONCERN. PEOPLE LOSING JOBS AND PEOPLE NEEDING -- WE DON'T NEED MORE PEOPLE COMING FROM THE MAINLAND COMPETING FOR HOMES. THAT IS MY COMMENT. THANK YOU. >> I HEAR YOU. >> OKAY. WE'RE GOING TO DISCUSS THIS LATER.\r\n\r\nSO ANYBODY HAVE CLARIFYING QUESTIONS? MEMBER SINENCI. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR AND MAHALO DOUG. THE PROTEST PROCESS IS THERE A TIME LINE? >> WE DON'T KNOW. IT'S ACTUALLY THE DOH DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DECIDES THAT TIMELINE. THEY ACTUALLY HAVE AN EXPRESSION AND KNOWING FROM MY STATE EXPERIENCE THEY HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF DISCRETION IN TERMS OF HOW THEY HANDLE THE TIMELINE AND WE DON'T COMMUNICATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AT THAT TIME AND WE DON'T KNOW THE SUBSTANCE OF THE BID PROTEST.\r\n\r\nWE JUST KNOW IT'S HAPPENING AND RESPECT THE PROCESS. >> THEY WILL LIKELY COME OUT WHEN THE CONTRACT WOULD BE ISSUED. >> YES. >> THANK YOU. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> ANY MORE CLARIFYING QUESTIONS? MEMBER JOHNSON.\r\n\r\n>> CLARIFYING QUESTION, CHAIR. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. ARE THE JOBS BEING PROVIDED BY FALCK, ARE THEY UNION JOBS? >> YES. >> UNDER

THE SAME UNION? >> CORRECT.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> ANY MORE QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR LEE. THANK YOU COUNCIL MEMBERS. >> ADMINSTRATE CLERK.\r\n\r\n>> NEXT TESTIFIER ANN DAVIS TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-109, AND BILLS 85 AND 86. >> GOOD MORNING. SALAM. I MIGHT AS WELL MAKE MY TRIP OVER HERE WORTH IT; RIGHT? SO ON RESOLUTION 23-199 THAT HAS TO DO WITH MODULAR DEVELOPMENTS, I'M NOT SURE IF YOU ALL HEARD THIS MORNING IN CIVIL BEAT -- REMEMBER IT'S NOT A FACT UNTIL IT'S SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR. BUT HE IS GOING TO BACK OFF ON SOME OF HIS PROCLAMATION ON HOUSING TO RESTORE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW, RESTORE THE STATUTE FOR RELATING -- OR THE STATUTE RELATING TO CONSERVING HISTORICAL RESOURCES, A PROVISION ALTERING THE AUTHORITY OF THE LAND USE COMMISSION, A STATE-LEVEL ZONING AUTHORITY HAS BEEN REMOVED. THE SUNSHINE LAW IS BACK, AND LASTLY, I THINK THE GREATEST NEWS IS THAT NONE OF IT IS GOING TO COVER DEVELOPMENT IN LAHAINA. SO WE SHALL LOOK FORWARD TO THAT.\r\n\r\nWE DO HAVE PEOPLE HERE ON THE ISLAND THAT WANT TO BUILD MODULAR HOMES. CURRENTLY, CURRENTLY THEY ARE BUILDING THEM ON DRIVEWAYS, PERSONAL PROPERTY. THAT IS NOT WHAT WE WANT. WE WANT HOUSING FOR OUR PEOPLE THAT ARE NOW GOING TO BE COMING OUT OF THE HOTELS MAYBE OCTOBER 6-7TH, WE DON'T KNOW. NOBODY KNOW WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN ON OCTOBER 8TH. WE ONLY KNOW WHAT WE HAVE HEARD. SO JUST, I MEAN PUTTING THAT OUT THERE.\r\n\r\nOKAY. NOW ON 23-203. I HOPE YOU GOT MY POWERPOINT PRESENTATION -- IF NOT, I HAVE DONE IT A COUPLE OF TIMES. I DON'T KNOW WHY THEY ARE NOT GETTING THROUGH OR ARE GETTING THROUGH. THE FORMAL INVESTIGATION, WHICH I TRIED TO TESTIFY ABOUT YESTERDAY, IS LACKING THE BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY OR THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY. THE WATER SUPPLY HAS BEEN TESTED, BUT NOT THE HOMES. THE HOMES WILL NOT BE TESTED BY THE BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY, AND SO, THOSE THAT WANT TO TEST THEIR HOMES WILL HAVE TO GO AND DO IT THEMSELVES AT THEIR OWN COSTS THE LATEST TESTING WHICH HAS BEEN ON THE WATER BOARD'S WEBSITE SAYS THAT THEY ARE TAKING SAMPLES FROM INSIDE NUMEROUS FIRE HYDRANTS, AND THERE WAS A PRESENCE OF LEAD, AND THEIR REASONING FOR WHY THEY MIGHT BE FINDING THINGS, IS THAT THE WATER PRESSURE WITHIN THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM PREVENTS THE LEAD FROM MIGRATING BACK INTO THE SYSTEM, OR REACHING CUSTOMERS' HOMES, AND BUSINESSES -- NOT -- AN ABUNDANCE OF CAUTION, THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY IS FLUSHING FIRE HYDRANTS TO REMOVE THE CONTAMINANTS. IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT FLUSHING IS, FLUSHING IS OPENING THE FIRE HYDRANTS, USING HIGH PRESSURE, HIGH VELOCITY AND NOT TELLING US WHERE THAT WATER IS GOING.\r\n\r\nTHE WATER ADVISORY THERE ARE STILL RESIDENTS THAT ARE ADVISED NOT TO USE THEIR TAP WATER FOR DRINKING AND COOKING. THEY ARE ADVISED TO HAVE VENTILATION. THEY MAY NOT UNDERSTAND THAT, BUT THAT IS BECAUSE OF THE VAPORS THAT THEY MAY NOT SMELL OR THEY MAY SMELL -- THEY MAY SMELL THAT CAUSE RESPIRATORY ISSUES. YOU LIMIT THE USE OF THE WATER, BECAUSE OF SKIN EXPOSURE, POSSIBLE RASHES, ITCHINESS AND HIVES. I HOPE OUR RESIDENTS ARE FOLLOWING EVERYTHING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IS PUTTING OUT. I DO NOT AGREE WITH ANY SHOWERING OR ANY BATHING, BUT THEIR ADVISORY IS THEIR ADVISORY. SO DR.\r\n\r\nANDREW WELTON HERE WAS THREE WEEKS AGO WITH HIS TEAM. HE EXPRESSLY LEFT A DOCUMENT THAT SAYS ALL THE CHEMICALS THAT ARE SUPPOSED TO BE TESTED FOR, IF YOU HAVE A WILDFIRE. >> THREE MINUTES. >> I HAVEN'T SEEN THAT. SO IS THAT THE THREE MINUTE. >> THAT IS YOUR THREE MINUTES ON 23-203. >> OKAY. THAT'S COOL.\r\n\r\nTHIS ONE IS SHORT. 85, I SUPPORT THE ADDING OF HURRICANE, FIRE OR OTHER DISASTER AS DEFINED IN SECTION 127A-2HAWAII REVISED STATUTES. AND THEN LAST, BUT NOT LEAST -- NOT LEAST IS THE DEBRIS REMOVAL, BILL NO. 86. FIRST I'M ASKING DO NOT TAKE ANY ACTION HERE TODAY. PLEASE MOVE IT TO A COMMITTEE. THIS DOCUMENT IS TEN PAGES. I CERTAINLY DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THE PUBLIC IS AWARE OF WHAT IS IN THIS DOCUMENT.\r\n\r\nAS FAR AS ALTERNATE REMOVAL, GOVERNMENT REMOVAL, OR ENFORCEMENT. I DON'T THINK THAT THEY WILL KNOW THAT THEY COULD BE DECLARED A NUISANCE AND HEALTH HAZARD FOR THEIR PROPERTIES. I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THEY KNOW THAT THEY MIGHT GET ISSUED A NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND AN ORDER TO ANY PROPERTY OWNER, OR PERSON IN VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE, OR DOING SO IN VIOLATION OF THE TERMS OF THEIR PERMIT APPROVAL. NOT EVEN I WANT TO READ THIS WHOLE THING, BUT LAST

NIGHT I DID BEFORE I FLEW OVER. THEY WOULD HAVE TO FILE AN APPEAL WITHIN A 30-DAY PERIOD, COLLECTION OF UNPAID CIVIL FINES. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE WHERE THEIR MONEY IS GOING TO COME OUT IF THEY DO GET CHARGED FINES. THERE IS GOING TO BE JUDICIAL ENFORCEMENT.

THIS IS WHY I WANTED PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND THAT THESE PAGES ARE VERY IMPORTANT FOR THEM TO KNOW ABOUT, AND TO ACTUALLY BE ABLE TO COME HERE AND TESTIFY ABOUT. I DON'T SEE ANYBODY HERE THAT MAY BE TESTIFYING ABOUT IT. HOPEFULLY, YOU DO, AND LASTLY, UNEMPLOYMENT IS ALREADY HAVING PROBLEMS. IT HASN'T BEEN FUNDED YET, AND I HAVE PUT THAT IN MY WRITTEN PACKET ALSO. MAHALO FOR LISTENING. ALOHA. YOU GUYS ARE DOING SO MUCH GREAT WORK.

GOOD LUCK TO YOU ALL, AND I WILL BE FLYING BACK. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIERS CANDACE LAMB -- TESTIFYING TOGETHER ON RESOLUTION 23-201 AND FOLLOWED BY JENN MATHER. >> GOOD MORNING.

ALOHA KAKAHIKA, AND SALAM. COUNCIL CHAIR LEE, COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE PANEL AND MEMBERS IN THE CHAMBER I'M TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-201. MY NAME IS MOANA, THE OPERATIONS MANAGER FOR AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE MAUI COUNTY AND WE'RE THE CURRENT AMBULANCE PROVIDER ON MAUI. I HAVE WORKED FOR AMR FOR 21 YEARS AND I THINK THAT IS A TESTAMENT OF THE GREAT COMPANY IT IS TO WORK FOR. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE COUNCIL MEMBERS, THE REPRESENTATIVES, THE MAYOR, THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND THE MANY AGENCIES THAT HAVE RECOGNIZED AMR. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO WORK FOR AMR. IT'S EASY TO FORGET HOW DIFFICULT AND CHALLENGING THIS JOB IS, BUT THEY PERFORM WITHOUT FAIL DAY IN AND DAY OUT. AND FINALLY WANT TO THANK THE COMMUNITY OF MAUI, AND THE REST OF THE STATE ACTUALLY, FOR THEIR OUTPOURING OF SUPPORT.

WE HAVE A LONG STANDING RELATIONSHIP WITH THEM, AND WISH TO CONTINUE THAT FOR YEARS TO COME. THANK YOU TO YOUR TIME, AND I YIELD THE REST OF MY TIME TO MY SUPERVISOR. >> I HAVE NOTES AS WELL. MY NAME IS CANDACE LAMB. THE OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR FOR AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE IN MAUI COUNTY. AS YOU CAN TELL, I'M NOT AN ELOQUENT SPEAKER, BUT WHAT I DO KNOW WELL IS MAUI COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES. I STARTED AS AN EMT, BECAME A PARAMEDIC AND I HAVE WORKED IN THIS SYSTEM FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS.

RECENTLY BECOMING THE OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR, SO THAT I OVERSEE THE MEDICS AND OUR SYSTEM UNDER MONA. I HAVE WATCHED OVER ALL THESE YEAR TWO-THIRDS MY LIFE, OUR SYSTEM GROW AND EXCEL. OUR PARAMEDICS WORK HARD, AND CARE FOR YOUR PEOPLE AS I DID RIGHT BY THEIR SIDE FOR MANY YEARS. I HOPE THAT YOU ALL RESPECT THE JOB WE HAVE DONE, AND THAT WE ARE PART OF THIS COMMUNITY, NOT JUST SERVING IT, BUT WE'RE PART OF IT. OUR FAMILIES ARE PART OF IT, EXCUSE ME. AND IT MEANS A LOT TO US THAT WE CONTINUE ON HERE. AND I WANTED TO THANK COUNCIL CHAIR ALICE LEE FOR DRAWING UP THE RESOLUTION.

IT REALLY MEANT A LOT TO US IN THE HEART. SO I HOPE YOU WILL ALL SUPPORT IT AND THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO GIVE THE BEST OF OUR CARE TO YOUR PEOPLE AND OUR PEOPLE. THANK YOU. >> MEMBERS, DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ? PRO TEM KAMA. >> THANK YOU. SO I THINK ANY ONE OF YOU CAN ANSWER THAT, BUT SEEING AS HOW -- WELL, FIRST OF ALL, ONE YOU WERE WORKING AT LEAST 21 YEARS FOR AMR, AND HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN WORKING FOR AMR? IN THE MIC, PLEASE.

>> 41, SORRY. >> 41? >> YES. >> OKAY. SO MY QUESTION, AND SO CHAIR, YOU HAVE TO TELL ME IF IT'S A CLARIFYING QUESTION OR NOT? SO MR. CHEN TESTIFIED THIS MORNING THAT HE WOULD BE WORKING TO YOU ALL. ARE YOU FOLKS OPEN TO BEING WELCOMED BY FALL FALCK SHOULD THEY GET THE CONTRACT?

I WAS AROUND YEARS AND YEARS AGO WHEN WE HAD AND COMPANY THAT BIDDED AGAINST US AND ULTIMATELY DEFAULTED BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH PEOPLE TO WORK FOR IT. I HAVE BEEN THROUGH THIS PROCESS, IT'S HEARTBREAKING AND TEARS APART OUR SYSTEM AND WE ARE HERE AS AMR FAMILY AND THROUGH GOOD TIMES AND BAD, WE'RE FAMILY. I CAN'T SPEAK FOR EVERYBODY, AND YOU KNOW, I CAN ONLY SPEAK FOR MYSELF. NO, I WOULD NOT. WE HAVE A REALLY GOOD REPUTATION HERE WITH YOU IN THE COUNTY. THINGS I HAVE BEEN READING OTHER COMPANIES MAYBE NOT AS MUCH AND THAT CONCERNS ME. AND EMS IS MY LIFE.

YOU KNOW, TWO THIRDS OF MY LIFE I HAVE SPENT DOING THIS. TO SEE OUR SYSTEM POTENTIALLY GO DOWN A BIT, IT REALLY IS DISHEARTENING FOR ME. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN. >> I WAS WONDERING IF YOU CURRENTLY HAVE STAFFING



SHORTAGES? >> NO, WE DON'T. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\n>> ANYONE ELSE? THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MADAM CLERK. >> THE NEXT TESTIFIER JEN MATHER TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-203 AND FOLLOWED BY MARY KAHANA. >>> MY NAME IS JEN MATHER TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-203 AS AN INDIVIDUAL. I DIDN'T HAVE THE INTENTION TO COME HERE, AND TESTIFY SO IGNORE MY HAT. I'M SO SORRY.\r\n\r\nBEFORE I DO THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK COUNCIL MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ FOR HER OPENING REMARKS, AND MAKE ME CRY -- UGLY CRY IN THE BACK. IT HIGHLIGHTED WHAT WAS AND WHAT WILL BE AGAIN IN M.A. LULU OLELO AND RECOGNIZES HOW IMPORTANT THE FORESTRY OF OUR ISLAND IS BECAUSE I WAS HERE FOR THE LAST CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION FOR BOB HOBODY AND YOUR CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION TODAY FOR MR. REZENTS. REGARDING 23-203, I SUPPORT THE RESOLUTION. I'M GOING TO JOIN THE TALKING CIRCLE ON THIS PARTICULAR CHALLENGE, BECAUSE IN 2018, WE WRITE -- THE COMMUNITY OF LAHAINA, WE ENGAGED IN THE DISASTER RESPONSE, MUCH LIKE THE ENTIRE ISLAND OF MAUI DID THIS TIME AND THEN, AS WE NOW, WE ASKED WHY WE WEREN'T PREPARED AND WHY THE COUNTY AGENCIES' RESPONSE WAS SO LACKING AND HOW TO DO BETTER THE NEXT TIME? SO FAST-FORWARD AND THIS IS ACTUALLY NOT THE NEXT TIME. THIS IS THE NEXT, NEXT, NEXT TIME SINCE SOMETHING LIKE THIS OCCURRED AND ALL OF THOSE QUESTIONS ARE STILL PERTINENT AND PROBABLY EXPONENTIALLY SO; RIGHT?\r\n\r\nAND I DON'T USUALLY CALL PEOPLE OUT AND THE FORMER DIRECTOR OF MAUI EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY, MR. ANDAYA, HE WASN'T EQUIPPED FOR THAT AND MOST OF US PART OF DISASTER RESPONSE KNEW THAT. SO IT'S A HUGELY IMPORTANT DEPARTMENT. I MEAN, THEY ARE NOT ALWAYS ACTIVATED, BUT IT'S HUGELY IMPORTANT HAZARD MITIGATION AND ALL HAZARD MITIGATION; RIGHT? BEING ABLE TO RESPOND TO DISASTER AND ON ANY LEVEL. SO IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT FOR US TO KNOW WHAT OCCURRED, AND WHAT IS ACTUALLY STILL HAPPENING? BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY THE TESTIFIER BEFORE US WAS TALKING ABOUT WATER AND HOW WE CAN DO BETTER THE NEXT TIME.\r\n\r\nAND ALTHOUGH MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION IS THE BEST PATH FORWARD FOR US, RIGHT NOW WE HAVE TOO MANY VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES OUT IN THE COUNTY THAT WE NEED TO INVESTIGATE WHAT WENT WRONG RIGHT NOW SO WE CAN IMPLEMENT CHANGE RIGHT NOW; RIGHT? THERE'S NO TIME TO WAIT FOR AN AFTER-ACTION REPORT, BUT TO INVESTIGATE AS WE ARE GOING THROUGH IT, TO PIVOT TO MAKE BETTER DECISIONS FOR OUR PEOPLE RIGHT NOW. SO I DO URGE YOU TO CREATE THIS COMMITTEE IMMEDIATELY AND ENGAGE IN THE PROCESS TRANSPARENTLY, INVITING ALL AGENCIES AND STAKEHOLDERS, BECAUSE THIS NEEDS TO BE SHARED WITH THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY TO GAIN THEIR INSIGHT AS WELL; RIGHT? LIKE, YEAH. OUR MOST POWERFUL THING IS OUR PEOPLE, AND WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN GOING THROUGH. >> THREE MINUTES. >> I'M DONE.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. >> MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> CHAIR, NEXT TESTIFIER IS MARY KAHANA TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-201 AND FOLLOWED BY THE PERSON CALLING IN THE LAST FOUR DIGITS 4140. >> GOOD MORNING, COUNCIL MEMBERS, MARY KAHANA, TESTIFYING ON 23-201, I'M A DESCENDANT OF HANA AND RESIDENT OF HANA AND ALSO A RETIRED UNITED STATES AIR FORCE FLIGHT NURSE AND VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE AMR BEING OUTBID BY NEW AMBULANCE SERVICE AND NOT CERTAIN HOW THIS DECISION WAS PLEAD WITHOUT HANAS A COMMENT'S INPUT AND I'M VERY SIMILAR WITH A THEY BRING TO THE PLATE, HIGHLY-TRAINED EMTS AND PARAMEDICS FULLY EQUIPPED AND STAND READY 247 FOR GROUND AND AIR TRANSPORT TO INCLUDE INITIAL RESPONSE WORKOUT. PATIENTS ARE PROPERLY PACKAGED FOR PRE-HOSPITAL AND/OR CLINIC LIFE SUPPORT. THEY ARE ON IT. WE ARE NOT BROKEN HERE IN HANA TO MY KNOWLEDGE, SO WHY ARE WE FIXING SOMETHING THAT IS NOT BROKEN?\r\n\r\nTHIS NEW COMPANY GOING TO HIRE THE CURRENT AMR PERSONNEL? ACCORDING TO THE ATTORNEY, YES, THEY WILL. ARE THEY GOING TO BUY ALL THE EQUIPMENT? THE EMERGENCY CAPABILITIES FROM AMR? THAT WOULD BE ONE OF MY QUESTIONS. AS WE -- WE HANA COMMUNITY IS VERY CONCERNED BECAUSE IT AFFECTS WHAT IS AVAILABLE TO US FOR EMERGENCY ACCESS. HANA, WE HAVE NO ER, WE HAVE NO IN-PATIENT SERVICES.\r\n\r\nSO WE HAVE NO ICU. WE HAVE NO NICU, AND WE HAVE ONE ROAD TO GET TO THE OTHER SIDE. SO THAT IS LIKE THREE HOURS OUT ON GROUND TRANSPORTATION. ARE THEY GOING TO FULFILL THE AIR TRANSPORT WITH THE HELICOPTER USE THAT WE USUALLY USE FREQUENTLY COMPARED TO OTHER RURAL COMMUNITIES? THE BOTTOM-LINE FOR ME IS SOUTHEAST OF OUR COMMUNITY. I FEEL SAFE WITH THE USE OF AMR. AND I FEEL SECURE ALL



THOUGH I WAS TOLD THAT THE BID WAS THAT THE OTHER NEW AMBULANCE SERVICE WAS A LOT CHEAPER THAN AMR.\r\n\r\nI HOPE OUR LIVES ARE NOT PUT ON A PRICETAG. BEING WAY OUT HERE IN HANA. AND I'M FULLY AWARE ABOUT THE MEDICAL SYSTEM, BEEN IT JUST AS LONG AS THE HEAD FOR AMR. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. >> THANK YOU. MEMBERS, PRO TEM KAMA. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY, MS. KAHANA. I HAVE A CLARIFYING QUESTION. YOU SAID THAT IT TAKES ABOUT THREE HOURS TO GO IN OR OUT OF HANA. I'M JUST GOING TO ASSUME WHAT IT WOULD TAKE AN AMBULANCE TO DRIVE IN AND OUT? IS THAT ACTUALLY HOW LONG IT TAKES YOU TO DRIVE IN AND OUT? >> IT DEPENDS, BECAUSE OF THE TOURISTS.\r\n\r\n>> YEAH. >> SO IT DEPENDS ON TRAFFIC. >> SO IF THERE'S NO TOURISTS. >> WITHOUT THE TOURISTS, IT CAN TAKE US MAYBE A LITTLE OVER TWO HOURS. >> OKAY. THEN WITH THE TOURIST IT'S THREE HOURS? >> ABSOLUTELY.\r\n\r\n>> AND SO IF THE AMBULANCE HAVE TO GO IN AND OUT, AND THERE'S TOURISTS IT'S STILL THAT SAME THREE HOURS. >> CORRECT. YES. IT MAKES AN IMPACT WITH GROUND TRANSPORT WITH MORE TOURISTS ON THE ROAD. >> IS THAT WITH THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE AMBULANCE DRIVERS KNOW THE ROAD AND ACCUSTOMED TO GOING IN AND OUT >> YES. YES. AND THEY HAVE A GOOD LEADERSHIP, AND THAT PERSON IS FROM HANA AND LIVES IN HANA.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> OTHER QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> CHAIR NEXT TESTIFIER IS CALLING IN WITH THE LAST FOUR DIGITS 4140 AND FOLLOWED BY MICHELLE NOTESTONE. >> CAN YOU HEAR ME? >> YES.\r\n\r\n>> WOULD YOU PLEASE STATE WHAT ITEM YOU WILL BE TESTIFYING ON? AND YOUR NAME, IF YOU CHOOSE TO? >> YES. I'M TESTIFYING ON 203, AND 202, THIS IS CHRISTOPHER FISHKIN. SHALL I GO? >> YES, PLEASE. >> OKAY.\r\n\r\nCOUNCIL MEMBERS MYSELF AND MY ASSOCIATES HAVE BEEN TALKING IN CIRCLES FOR OVER A DECADE, AND THAT GOES BOTH WAYS. I HAVE SUBMITTED MATERIAL RELEVANT TESTIMONY INCLUDING DOCUMENTS AND PROFESSIONAL VIDEO PRODUCED FOR AKAKU. BUT NEVER AIRED FOR FEAR OF RETALIATION. THAT IS IN MY WRITTEN TESTIMONY. COUNCIL MEMBERS, THIS IS 203. YOU'RE SADLY GOING TO DISCOVER THAT FORMAL INVESTIGATION BY THIS COUNCIL OF THE FIRE WILL ALSO LEAD BACK TO YOU. THIS COUNCIL SHARES IN THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR WHAT HAPPENED IN LAHAINA AND WHEN GROSS NEGLIGENCE CONTINUES TO HAPPEN AT THE PRESENT FINAL. THIS DRIVE FROM THE TUNNEL TO LAHAINA AND LOOK AT THE LAND, THE COUNCIL HAS LEGISLATED LOOPHOLES IN THE ORDINANCES AND FAILED TO LEGISLATE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY, FOR DECADES THE COUNCIL HAS RELAYED UPON THE VERY COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS AND COUNTY ATTORNEYS WHO HAVE WELCOMED HAND-IN-GLOVE WITH DEVELOPERS AND PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS TO DRAFT YOUR LEGISLATION.\r\n\r\nIN 1994 WITH THE HELP OF THEN COUNCIL MEMBER ALICE LEE. WITH THE LOT LINE CONSOLIDATION AND RESUBDIVISION ORDINANCE PASSED ALLOWING SUBDIVISION TO AVOID GOING THROUGH THE SAME STANDARD OF REVIEW AS A NORMAL SUBDIVISION UNDER TITLE 18 OF THE OF THE MAUI COUNTY CODE. TITLE 18 REQUIRES ALL DEPARTMENT AGENCIES TO REVIEW AND COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AND CONDITIONS THEY IMPOSE, FIRE, WATER, SEWER, ET CETERA. THIS ORDINANCE CIRCLE VENTED LAYERS OF AGENCY REVIEW THAT ALLOWS FOR PUBLIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY, ET CETERA. THE ATTORNEYS SUPPORTING THIS KIND OF DEVELOPMENT SAID AT TIME IT'S JUST MOVING FENCE LINES AROUND. ADDITIONALLY THE FEDERAL COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT IMPLEMENTED AT COUNTY-LEVEL THROUGH SMA PERMITS IS NOT BEING PROPERLY IMPLEMENTED AND BEING SELECTIVELY ENFORCED LOOK AT WEST SIDE COMMUNITY PLAN, YOU DIDN'T LEGISLATE TO PREVENT IT FROM CONTINUING ON TO THE BUILDINGS. THE PICTURE IS THE WHOLE AREA IS BURNED IN 2018. THE WHOLE THING.\r\n\r\nNOBODY HERE THOUGHT WHAT IF THAT PICTURE IS SUCH AN ADMISSION OF NEGLIGENCE. IT SAYS RIGHT THERE IN THE PLAN THEY SHOULD "ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF FIRE BREAKS." ENCOURAGE WHO? YOU ARE THE LEGISLATORS YOU WRITE THE LAWS. YOU SHOULD HAVE ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE PROTECTIVE MEASURES URGENTLY TO PROTECTING THE PEOPLE. YOUR NAMES ARE ON THE COVER OF THIS COMMUNITY PLAN. SO WHICH COUNTY OFFICIAL WROTE THE LANGUAGE "ENCOURAGE." AND ADD A 6-STORY FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO BE BUILT UP TO THE EDGE OF THIS LAND THAT BURNED DOWN. MS.\r\n\r\nPALTIN RECEIVED NOTICE BY STAFF MEMBER OF THE MAYOR AND RANS MITTAL ATTACHED TO MY WRITTEN TESTIMONY ABOUT PETER MARTIN NOT COMPLETING HIS SMA CONDITION FIRE BREAK WAS ANYTHING DONE? WE HAVE BEEN TELLING THIS COUNCIL WITH

WHILE THE BLOWER CHRISTOPHER SALEM FOR DECADES AND -- THEY ARE CIRCUMVENTING THE FEDERAL COASTAL ZONE ACT AND USING LOOPHOLES THAT YOU ALLOWED THROUGH YOUR LEGISLATION? >> YOUR THREE ITEMS ARE FINISHED TO MOVE TO THE [#234-E6789/] ITEM. >> OKAY. 202. THE ADMINISTRATION SHOULD BE REQUIRED NOT ENCOURAGED TO SELECT A QUALIFIED MUNICIPAL FIRM TO LOCALLY CONTROL ALL OF THE FEDERAL, STATE AND OTHER MONIES COMING INTO TO REBUILD LAHAINA AND HELP LAHAINA RESIDENTS. WHAT ABOUT NOW? WHAT ABOUT ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE MONEY THAT IS COMING IN NOW? THIS IS WHAT ANY PROFESSIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT IT DOES. THE FACT THAT THE COUNCIL HAS TO RECOMMEND THAT WHICH IS COMMONSENSE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE UNITED STATES IS TELLING ISN'T IT? URBAN FUTURES IN HILO IS A NATIONWIDE MUNICIPAL FINANCE FIRM WHICH SPECIALIZED IN BONDING AND ASSESSMENTS. THEY PREVIOUSLY TRIED TO EDUCATE THE COUNTY ON HOW TO DETERMINE FORMULAS OF SEATTLE SFOR THE THOUSANDS OF DEVELOPER DEFERRAL AGREEMENTS WHICH ARE HAVE NEVER BEEN ASSESSED OR COLLECTED UPON IN VIOLATION THE COUNTY CHARTER, BUT OF COURSE, BECAUSE THIS COUNCIL AND THE MAYORS ARE UNDER THE TUM OF THE MOST CORRUPT GOVERNMENT ATTORNEYS IN THE UNITED STATES, YOU CAN'T EVEN TAKE YOUR OWN ADVICE. WHILE I APPLAUD THE SUBSTANCE OF THIS RESOLUTION, IT'S ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY, THE PRESENT CORP. COUNSEL WILL EITHER ADVISE IT'S NOT NECESSARY OR RECOMMEND A LOCAL OLD BOY FIRM, WHY? BECAUSE PRESENT CORP. COUNSEL IS PART OF THE MOST CORRUPT DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTY OF MAUI AND LAST TIME I WAS A SUSPECT IN A CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION. THIS MAYOR'S ADMINISTRATION HAS SPECIFICALLY REFUSED TO EVEN NAME A WEST MAUI LIAISON FROM ITS ADMINISTRATION TO WEST MAUI AFTER THE FIRE. SO I WISH YOU THE BEST WITH THIS RESOLUTION. I ABSOLUTELY SUPPORT IT. THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBERS. PLEASE WATCH THE VIDEO THAT I PUT INTO MY WRITTEN TESTIMONY, BECAUSE I THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU ACTUALLY PAID ATTENTION TO WHAT WE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT. >> THANK YOU. MEMBERS ANY QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU. >> CHAIR THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS MICHELLE NOTESTONE TESTING ON RESOLUTION 23-201, TO BE FOLLOWED BY KYLE ELLISON. >> GOOD MORNING. ALOHA. >> HELLO CAN YOU HEAR ME OKAY? >> A LITTLE LOUDER, PLEASE. >> CAN YOU HEAR ME BETTER NOW? >> YES. >> OKAY. JUST GOT TO GET A LITTLE BIT CLOSER. ALOHA. MY NAME IS MICHELLE NOTESTONE AND YOU LIVE IN HANA, MY FAMILY LIVES IN HANA. HAVE BEEN A PARAMEDIC NOW FOR 29 YEARS. MY HUSBAND IS A RETIRED FIRE CAPTAIN FROM HANA. HIS SON IS A FIREFIGHTER ACTIVELY IN MAKAWAO, AND MY DAUGHTER IS AN EMT ON MAUI. I HAVE CONCERNS WITH THIS NEW COMPANY COMING IN. I DON'T -- YOU KNOW, I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THEY ARE GOING TO IMPROVE OUR ALS STANDARDS? BECAUSE I THINK AMR HAS DONE A WONDERFUL JOB. WE CARE ABOUT OUR PATIENTS. ESPECIALLY BEING IN HANA, I HAVE BEEN HERE A LONG TIME. IT'S OUR COMMUNITY. IT'S A VERY UNIQUE COMMUNITY. YOU ASKED ABOUT THE THREE-HOUR DRIVE. WE DON'T TRANSPORT TO THE E.R. FROM HERE ALL THE WAY. WE HAVE TO MEET ANOTHER AMBULANCE, WHICH IS ONE HOUR AWAY. AND TRAFFIC, AND THE ROAD, COMING OUT THE HANA, YOU CAN'T -- NO MATTER IF YOU HAVE LIGHT AND SIRENS, YOU CAN'T GO FAST ON THE HIGHWAY. YOU WILL THROW YOUR PATIENTS ALL AROUND. YOU HAVE TO GO SLOW AND BE A GOOD DRIVER. SO IT DOES TAKER A COUPLE OF HOURS, SOMETIMES LEAST TWO-AND-A-HALF HOURS WHEN YOU HAVE TO TRANSFER A PATIENT. WE DO USE THE MEDEVAC THE MOST OUT OF ANYONE IN THIS COUNTY. HANA, BECAUSE OF OUR ROAD, AND THE TIME IT TAKES FOR OUR PATIENTS TO COME FROM HANA TO GET TO THE HOSPITAL. YOU KNOW, IT'S TIME, YOU KNOW? WE NEED TO GET THEM OUT THERE QUICKLY. YOU KNOW, HANA IS A VERY UNIQUE COMMUNITY, LIKE WAS SAID. THE CLINIC, IT'S NOT AN ER. WE HAVE DOCTORS THAT COME AND GO AND MOSTLY STAFFED BY NURSE PRACTITIONERS. SO AMR HAS DONE A GREAT JOB. I JUST THINK THAT FALCK IS GOING TO COME IN, AND HAVE CHALLENGES COMING INTO THIS -- THE HAWAIIAN COMMUNITY. YOU KNOW, GETTING TO KNOW THE PEOPLE AND THE CULTURE AND THE COMMUNITIES, IT'S GOING TO TAKE A WHILE. I DON'T KNOW. I THINK WE SHOULD CONTINUE WITH THE LEVEL OF CARE THAT AMR PROVIDES FOR THE COUNTY, I DON'T KNOW, IF THEIR BID WAS MUCH LOWER THAN AMR'S? BUT HEY, IS THAT GOING TO BE THE STANDARD WITH FALCK? MY CONCERN IS THAT. LIKE, HOW ARE THEY GOING TO IMPROVE THE ALS STANDARD WHEN WE ALREADY HAVE ALS STANDARDS.

ANYWAY, I CARE FOR OUR COMMUNITY. I CARE ABOUT THE COMMUNITY -- >> MEMBERS, I'M SORRY? >> THANK YOU FOR LISTENING >> MEMBERS DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS KYLE ELSON, FOLLOWED BY ANDRE FELDMAN. >> MY TESTIMONY I WANT TO SPEAK TO THE URGENCY ON THE EFFORTS IN KULA AND GET CLARIFICATION ON THE LANGUAGE IN BILL 86, THE WAY IT'S CURRENTLY WRITTEN.\r\n\r\nWE PROBABLY -- IN THE DAYS AND WEEKS AFTER THE KULA FIRE, THE KULA COMMUNITY AS EVERYONE IS AWARE OF, LIKE SO MANY HUBS ON THE ISLAND MOBILIZED. WE REMOVED, I DON'T EVEN -- WELL, OVER A MILLION POUNDS OF GREEN WASTE OFF THE MOUNTAIN, JUST WITH PERSONAL CHAINSAWS AND INDIVIDUAL TACOMAS GOING TO GREEN WASTE AND JUST REMOVED SO MUCH GREEN WASTE OFF THE MOUNTAIN. MY CONCERN RIGHT NOW WITH THE COUNTY LANGUAGE AND THE COUNTY WANTING TO COME IN, AND HELP WITH THE HAZARDOUS TREE REMOVAL, DON'T GET ME WRONG, WOULD LOVE THE HELP. THERE IS AN URGENCY TO THIS CLEAN-UP, GIVEN THE RAIN. WE'RE JUST -- WE'RE ONE RAIN EVENT AWAY FROM THE NEXT PREVENTABLE DISASTER. WE SIMPLY DO NOT HAVE THE TIME TO BE WAITING ON THE POLITICAL PROCESS TO PLAY OUT AS IT MAY NORMALLY DO. AND SO I JUST WANTED TO TESTIFY TO THE URGENCY THAT WE'RE EXPERIENCING IN KULA RIGHT NOW ON GETTING THIS SITUATION REMEDIATED AND Y RECTIFIED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.\r\n\r\nTHE LANGUAGE OF THE BY, IT SEEMS THE WAY IT'S CURRENTLY WRITTEN IN A HONOR DOESN'T AGREE TO THE RIGHT-OF-ENTRY AND OPT INTO THE COUNTY'S METHOD OF DEBRIS REMOVAL, WHICH AGAIN PROBABLY IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN IN TIME BEFORE WE GET A BIG RAIN. THEN THEY NEED TO SUBMIT AN ALTERNATIVE PLAN OF ACTION AT THEIR OWN COST, AND IF THEY DON'T, THEY WILL OFFICIALLY BE CONSIDERED A PUBLIC NUISANCE BY THE COUNTY. AND WE'RE FIVE WEEKS INTO KULA CLEANING ON OUR OWN WITH SMALL VENMO DONATIONS AND WE'RE GETTING A LOT DOWN. WE WOULD LOVE THE COUNTY'S HELP, BUT I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT IT HAPPENS QUICKLY ENOUGH, BEFORE AGAIN, THE NEXT PREVENTABLE DISASTER TAKES PLACE, WHETHER MUDSLIDE, LANDSLIDE, FLOODING. IF YOU HAVE EVER SEEN THAT GULCH ON KONA LOW, YOU THINK YOU WOULD DRIVING TO HANA ON A FLASH FLOOD WITH HOW MUCH MONEY THAT AND CONCERNED ABOUT THE BRIDGE OVER THE GULCH AND THE EFFECTED BURN AREA. THAT IS OUR MAIN -- THAT IS THE MAIN ROAD TO HALE'AKALA NATIONAL PARK AND THE STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY OF THAT BRIDGE, FLAMES WENT UNDER IT, IT COULD BE COMPROMISED AND THE SIZE OF THE LOGS, IF THEY ARE CAUGHT UP IN A FLASH FLOOD EVENT. >> THREE MINUTES.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. >> MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU, KYLE FOR TESTIFYING. THANK YOU FOR ALL THE WORK THAT YOUR TEAM HAS DONE AFTER THE DEBRIS -- THE REMOVAL OF THE GREEN WASTE, AND JUST HELPING NEIGHBORS. IT WAS REALLY AMAZING -- I WANT TO SAY THAT.\r\n\r\nBILL 86 IS ABOUT INDIVIDUAL HOMEOWNERS, AND THE PROCESS FOR REMOVAL OF DEBRIS AND FROM YOUR TESTIMONY, ARE YOU ASKING FOR COUNTY OR GOVERNMENT TO HELP MORE WITH THE TREE REMOVAL FOR THAT WHOLE PROCESS YOU WENT THROUGH? HE CAN'T HEAR ME? >> >> IS THE TESTIFIER STILL ON THE LINE? >> WE LOST HIM. >> OKAY. >> HE IS STILL ON. >> IS HE STILL ON? \r\n\r\n>> HE IS STILL CONNECTED, BUT IT MIGHT BE HAVING CONNECTION ISSUES ON HIS SIDE. >> WE CAN COME BACK TO HIM. MS. CLERK. >> CHAIR MOVING ON TO THE NEXT TESTIFIER IT'S ANDRE FELDMAN TESTIFYING ON BILL 86 TO BE FOLLOWED BY MARK ROSS. >> CHAIR LEE, COUNCIL MEMBERS, GOOD MORNING, AND THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO TESTIFY ON BILL 86. MY NAME IS ANDRE FELDMAN. I'M THE OWNER OF A BURNED HOUSE UP IN KULA.\r\n\r\nAND AS KYLE ALREADY HINTED OUR NEIGHBORHOOD IS ALREADY EAGER TO START THE DEBRIS CLEAN UP PROCESS OF OUR PROPERTIES. AND I PERSONALLY FEEL STRONGLY THAT THE ENTIRE PROCESS IS MOVING ALONG WAY TOO SLOWLY, AND PROBABLY HAMPERED BY IN SOME CASES UNNECESSARY RED TAPE. MY BIGGEST CONCERN REALLY IS THAT MY MAYBES, WHOSE HOUSES ARE STILL INTACT THERE LIVE IN THE TOXIC ASHES BY THE OTHER BURNED STRUCTURES BILL 86 EMPHASIZES THE DANGER OF DEBRIS, AND IN THE LATER PART, SUCH AS FINES FOR PROPERTY OWNERS, IF THEY DON'T CLEAN UP IN A TIMELY MANNER THEY OPT-OUT OF THE FEDERAL CLEAN-UP PROGRAM. SO I URGE YOU REALLY, PLEASE, IF YOU DO -- DO EVERYTHING IN YOUR POWER SO WE CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS DEBRIS REMOVAL PROCESS. THEY ARE STILL WAITING THE RIGHT-OF-ENTRY NEEDED FOR THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO

START THE COORDINATED FEDERAL CLEAN-UP PROCESS. AND WE UNDERSTAND THE COUNTY ORGANIZES THIS ENTRY FORM PROCESS, AND AFTER AN INITIAL DIRECT CONTACT THAT WE HAD, THE FLOW OF INFORMATION HAS REALLY STALLED, AND IF YOU CAN, PLEASE MAKE PEOPLE THAT ARE IN CHARGE THERE TO HAVE BETTER COMMUNICATION AND DIRECT COMMUNICATION WITH THE AFFECTED COMMUNITY MEMBERS, NOT THROUGH THE WEBSITE, BUT CONTACT INFORMATION AND PLEASE GET IN CONTACT WITH PEOPLE DIRECTLY. ALSO SOME NEIGHBORS FEEL THAT THEY ARE FORCED INTO USING THE FEDERAL CLEAN-UP PROGRAM, IF THERE IS NO CLEAR GUIDANCE FROM THE COUNTY ON WHAT THE PROCESS IS, IF THEY WANT TO OPT-OUT SO I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO RAISE THE AWARENESS OF URGENCY AND PASS BILL 86, SO THAT PROPERTY OWNERS CAN UNDERSTAND THE REQUIREMENTS AND THE ASSOCIATES COSTS IF THEY WANT TO DO A PRIVATE CLEAN-UP.\r\n\r\nSO THAT THEY CAN MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION GOING FORWARD AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU ANDRE, FOR TESTIFYING. SO YOU HAVE ADDRESSED THE EXACT CONCERN THAT I'M HEARING FROM THE COMMUNITY, AND ALSO, BILL 86 IS ACTUALLY WHAT THE COMMUNITY WOULD DO, IF YOU DIDN'T USE THE FEDERAL PROCESS; RIGHT? SO THIS WOULD BE THE OPTION.\r\n\r\n>> CORRECT. >> DO YOU THINK IT WOULD BE A PROBLEM, IF IT WAS PASSED TODAY FOR FIRST READING, AND THEN PASSED FOR SECOND READING WHICH WOULD BE THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING THAT I THINK IS IN OCTOBER OR SENT TO COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE WOULD THEN TALK ABOUT THIS? THAT WOULD BE THE CHOICE. >> YES. I STRONGLY FEEL THIS IS A VERY, VERY URGENT -- WE CAN KNOW POLITICALLY -- AS MUCH -- [ INAUDIBLE ] WE SHOULD MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS, SO THAT WE CAN ACTUALLY CLEAN-UP AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. AND THE COUNTY DOESN'T PROVIDE CLEAR GUIDANCE FOR PROPERTY OWNERS ON WHAT THE PROCESS, AND THE COSTS ARE, IF THEY WANT TO DO IT BY THEMSELVES, HOW CAN THEY MAKE A DECISION WHETHER THEY ARE OPT-IN OR OUT OF THE FEDERAL PROGRAM? THE LONGER IT TAKES, THE LONGER PEOPLE HAVE TO LIVE IN THE TOXIC DUST, OR IF THE RAIN COMES, ALL THESE ASHES WILL BE WASHED AWAY TO OTHER PROPERTIES.\r\n\r\nAND TO ME, THIS IS MOVING WAY TOO SLOWLY. >> ANDRE, WHAT YOU JUST TALKED ABOUT, THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT BILL 86 IS; RIGHT? IS DETAILING THE PROCESS THAT A RESIDENT WOULD HAVE TO GO THROUGH, IF THEY DID NOT USE THE FEDERAL PROCESS. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> AS I UNDERSTAND IT, IT ONLY LAYS OUT THAT THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL HAS TO DEFINE WHAT THE PROCESS IS GOING TO BE; RIGHT? THIS IS ON THE PRECURSOR TASKING THE DIRECTOR TO ESTABLISH WHAT THE PROCEDURES ARE. >> THANK YOU >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.\r\n\r\nWE HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION FOR YOU, FROM MEMBER PALTIN. >> THAT WAS KIND OF MY QUESTION. SO AS YOU READ BILL 86, THAT IS WHAT THE PROCESS WILL BE. YOU MAY KNOW WHAT THE PENALTIES AND PROCESS IS, BUT I GUARANTEE YOU THAT THE 10,000 DISPLACED PEOPLE OF LAHAINA DON'T KNOW. SO YOU THINK THAT'S FAIR TO PASS IT TODAY WITHOUT EVERYBODY BEING AWARE OF WHAT IS IN THAT 12-PAGE BILL? >> IS THAT DIRECTED. >> THAT WAS A QUESTION FOR YOU.\r\n\r\n>> OH, OKAY. THIS -- THIS IS ONLY ESTABLISHING WHAT THE PARALLEL PROCEDURE WOULD BE IF THEY DON'T USE THE FEDERAL PROGRAM. THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE THE PEOPLE OF LAHAINA TO FOLLOW THIS PROCESS; RIGHT? THIS IS ONLY GETTING THINGS IN PLACE SO WE CAN ACTUALLY ESTABLISH WHAT THE PROCESS IS, NOT FORCING ANYBODY TO USE ANY OF THIS. >> I'M SEEING THERE'S PENALTIES IF YOU DON'T FOLLOW AN APPROVED PROCESS, AND NOBODY HAS BEEN GIVEN A CHANCE TO EVEN WEIGH-IN THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE IN LAHAINA DON'T KNOW THAT THIS IS UP TO BE PASSED TODAY. I DON'T KNOW THAT IT'S FAIR TO PUSH SOMETHING OF THIS MAGNITUDE THROUGH WITHOUT GOING THROUGH THE PROPER PROCESS. >> IT ONLY DIRECTOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES TO ESTABLISH THE PROCESS, NOT WHAT THE PROCESS IS; RIGHT?\r\n\r\nTHE BILL DOESN'T SAY. >> IT ESTABLISHES THE PENALTIES -- THE PENALTIES WILL BE ESTABLISHED WITH THE PROCESS NOT BEING KNOWN. >> THEN REMOVE THE PENALTIES. I'M NOT A BIG FAN OF PENALTIES ANYWAY. >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION FROM PRO TEM KAMA.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU, MR. FELDMAN FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. SO I WANT TO ASK YOU IS BILL 86, DOES THIS - - BECAUSE IT SOUNDED LIKE TO ME THAT IT DOESN'T HAVE VERY CLEAR DIRECTION. SO MY QUESTION IS, IS THIS NOT CLEAR ENOUGH IN TERMS OF DIRECTION FROM THE COUNTY? IS THERE SOMETHING THAT IS NOT CLEAR? >> TO ME, IT ONLY ESTABLISHES THAT THE DIRECTOR OF

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT NEEDS TO DEFINE WHAT THAT PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNER HAS TO FOLLOW TO CLEAN UP HIS PROPERTY, AND TO GET A PERMIT TO REBUILD.\r\n\r\nTHE BILL ITSELF DOESN'T LAYOUT STEPS AND PROCEDURES THAT HAVE TO BE FOLLOWED BY A PROPERTY OWNER. >> OKAY. THANK YOU. >> ANYBODY ELSE HAVE CLARIFYING QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT TESTIFIER. >> NEST TESTIFIER IS MARK ROSS, TESTING ON BILL 86, FOLLOWED BY ANN PITH CATLEY. >> I WANTED TO ASK ABOUT THE DEBRIS REMOVAL, AS FAR AS LAHAINA, VERSUS KULA?\r\n\r\nTHE SITES ARE TWO QUITE DIFFERENT SITES WHERE OBVIOUSLY ON A GULCH AND A LOT OF OUR HOUSES WERE BUILT ON THE EDGES OF GULCHES SO THE DEBRIS PILES WILL DIRECTLY AFFECT THE STREAM. >> EXCUSE ME, ARE YOU SPEAKING ON 86? BILL 86? >> BILL 85. >> OH, 85, OKAY. >> SO WE FEEL UP COUNTRY THAT IT'S CRITICAL THAT WE TRY TO MOVE -- I UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE TRYING TO LUMP LAHAINA IN WITH KULA AS FAR AS HOW WE'RE GOING TO STUB THE DEBRIS REMOVAL, BUT THESE ARE TWO DIFFERENT TERRAINS, TWO DIFFERENT AREAS, AND WITH MY HOUSE LITERALLY 4' PERFECT THE EDGE OF THE GULCH, ALL THOSE TOXINS WILL END UP IN THE GULCH AND IT'S ACTUALLY AT FEDERAL WILDLIFE REFUGE AND HAVEN'T GOT THE EPA TO STABILIZE -- JUST TO STABILIZE IT IN THE MEANTIME AND WE STILL HAVE THE DEBRIS SITTING THERE. IT RAINED YESTERDAY AND SOME OF THE ASH THAT I HAVE ON MY PROPERTY LITERALLY IS GOING OVER THE SIDE OF THE EDGE OF THE HILL THERE. SO IF WE GET A BIG STORM LIKE NORMAL, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE BIGGER PROBLEMS. >> MR. ROSS, ARE YOU IN FAVOR OF THE BILL, OR YOU ARE AGAINST THE BILL?\r\n\r\n>> I'M IN FAVOR, I'M MORE CONCERNED ABOUT EXPEDITING THE REMOVAL PROCESS, AS WELL AS THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, GETTING OUR RIGHT-OF-ENTRY FORMS TO US AND LET US SIGN THOSE AND GET THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS IN THERE AND REMOVE THE DEBRIS. WE'RE TALKING 20 SITES BASICALLY UP IN KULA. I THINK THAT IS A LOT SMALLER ISSUE THAN -- LAHAINA IS MUCH MORE COMPLICATED THAN WHAT WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH IN KULA. THE IMPACT OF THE DEBRIS IS GOING TO CAUSE A BIG PROBLEM FOR EVERYONE, NOT JUST KULA. IT'S GOING TO CAUSE A LOT OF PROBLEMS FOR EVERYONE DOWNSTREAM. THAT IS THE BIGGEST ISSUE, THE LONGER WE WAIT, WE'RE ASKING FOR A LOT OF TROUBLE COMING FORWARD WITH THE STORMS AND WINTER, AND SO FORTH. >> WE HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION FOR YOU FROM MEMBER PALTIN.\r\n\r\n>> YES. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU, MR. ROSS. I WAS JUST WONDERING IF YOU HAVE READ THE BILL? >> I HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO TODAY, NO. I WAS BASICALLY TESTIFYING, KIND OF ABOUT THE URGENCY, ALL OF THE HOMEOWNERS UP THERE HAVE FELT ABOUT GETTING THE DEBRIS REMOVED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. >> ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT TESTIFIER, PLEASE. >> CHAIR, NEXT TESTIFIER IS ANN PITCATHLEY FOLLOWED BY SAM SMALL. >> ALOHA. CAN YOU HEAR ME?\r\n\r\n>> YES. HI, HI NAME IS ANN PITCATHLEY, SPEAKING AS A PRIVATE CITIZEN ABOUT RESO 23-201. I'M IN STRONG SUPPORT OF URGING THE DOH TO CONTINUE THE CONTRACT WITH AMR TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY SERVICES IN MAUI COUNTY. I'M A RETIRED RN AND BACKGROUND IN WORKING IN E.RS AND HOSPITALS AND I'M SKEPTIC OF THE MULTI-KNOLL FIRM FALCK IN SECURING A CONTRACT WITH THE DOH FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES WHICH APPLIES TO MAUI COUNTY AND KAUA'I COUNTY AS WELL. THERE'S A HISTORY OF POOR RESPONSE TIMES IN AREAS THAT THEY HAVE HAD CONTACTS WITH FALCK, IF SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RESULTING IN FINES IN BOTH THOSE AREAS. THIS NEW SERVICE BY FALCK AND I DON'T HAVE THE SPECIFICS OF THE CONTRACT. I'M JUST AWARE OF THE ISSUES. THEY WILL - SUSPECTED OF RESULTING IN A LOWER STANDARD OF CARE, MEANING THAT AS CONTRARY TO WHAT THE CURRENT STANDARD IS, THEY WON'T HAVE PARAMEDICS ON-BOARD WITH EVERY AMBULANCE, OR HAVE THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT THAT PARAMEDICS USE.\r\n\r\n\r\nSO UNLIKE EMTS, PARAMEDICS INSERT BREATHING TUBES, KNOWN AS INTUBATION, WHICH CAN BE VERY CHALLENGING SOMETIMES, AND IF NOT DONE CORRECTLY CAN RESULT IN TRAUMA TO THE AIRWAY. THEY DO ADVANCED MONITORING OF EKGS AND GIVE LIFE-THREATENING DRUGS AND TREAT CARDIAC CONDITIONS, RESPIRATORY CONDITIONS, INSERT IVS AND GIVE LIFE-SAVING MEDICATIONS AND HAVE SO MANY MORE SKILLS AND EMT COURSE IS 100-150 HOURS OR SIX MONTHS; WHEREAS, PARAMEDIC COURSE, AND THEY NEED TO BE ESTIMATES AND IN INCLUDES PARAMEDIC COURSE INCLUDING EDUCATION AND TWO YEARS' OF TRAINING. SO I THINK IT'S ESSENTIAL. I'M REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THESE LOWER -- THESE POOR

RESPONSE TIMES AND ALSO LOWERING THE STANDARD OF CARE, NOT HAVING MORE PARAMEDICS, AND I MEAN, THIS IS REALLY AN URGENT NEED FOR THAT. WHAT IF IN NAPILI OR HANA, OR UPPER KULA OR MAKENA? SO WE NEED THAT EFFICIENCY AND I THINK AMR HAS DONE A WONDERFUL JOB. THAT'S IT.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> THANK YOU. MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT. >> THANK YOU. >> THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS SAM SMALL TESTING ON RESOLUTIONS 23-202 AND 23-2023 AND POLED BY SAM OKOYE . THANK YOU, COUNCIL AS ALWAYS IT'S AN HONOR TO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS DEMOCRATIC PROCESS AND THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME DO THIS FROM HOME.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU FOR PUTTING FORTH THE IDEA THAT THERE BE A CPA, A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL LOOKING AT HOW THE MONEY GETS PROCURED AND DISTRIBUTED FOR THIS EVENT. THAT DOES NOT HAPPEN DURING COVID. I THINK THERE'S 41 MILLION DOLLARS OF CARES MONEY THAT -- FOR WHEN THERE IS NO PROPER PROCUREMENT ON RECORD. THAT ALLOWED MAYOR VICTORINO AND PAST MAYOR KIMO TO SET UP AN AD HOCK TURKEY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM USING THE CARES MONEY TO SET UP REFRIGERATED TRUCKS AROUND THE COUNTRY TO DISTRIBUTE TURKEYS FOR THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS, ALONG WITH GIFT CARDS FOR 125 DOLLARS FOR FOOD. THAT RECIPIENTS WERE TOLD WAS A GIFT FROM THE MAYOR. THAT WAS NOT A GIFT FROM THE MAYOR. THAT WAS OUR MONEY THAT WAS CARES MONEY.\r\n\r\nAND THAT KIND OF THING MUST NOT BE ALLOWED TO HAPPEN WITH THE EXTRAORDINARY AMOUNT OF MONEY AND THE EXTRAORDINARY LEVELS YOU CAN IMAGINE THERE'S A LOT OF MONEY AT STAKE AND THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT ARE COMING IN TO TRY TO RIP THAT MONEY OFF. SO HAVING AN APPROPRIATE NON-LOCAL -- NON-CONNECTED A CPA OR WHATEVER KIND OF APPROPRIATE FINAL CONTROLLER NOT CONNECTED TO THE COMMUNITY. THE COMMUNITY THE LOCAL VALUES THAT DOES NOT SERVE THIS COMMUNITY AND THE NOTION OF LOCAL VALUES THAT VICTORINO RAN AND MAYOR BISSEN CONTINUES TO BE PRACTICE AS USUAL OF ALLOWING EXPLOITATION OF EVERY ASPECT OF THIS COUNTY TO PERSIST BY LOCAL INDIVIDUALS, NOT HIRING QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS THAT COME FROM OUTSIDE THIS COMMUNITY THAT HAVE REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE IS A DISASTER FOR THIS COMMUNITY. AND THAT CANNOT BE ALLOWED TO BE THE RESULT OF THIS FIRE. WE NEED TO USE THIS DISASTER TO TRANSFORM THIS COUNTY, INTO A MODERN MUNICIPALITY, THAT IS NOT EXPLOITED BY LOCAL PRIVATE BUSINESS INTERESTS. SO PLEASE, YES, AN OUTSIDE CONTROLLER. AS TO THIS COUNCIL RUNNING AN INVESTIGATION -- I'M MOVING ON TO NEXT ONE.\r\n\r\nAS TO THIS COUNCIL, YOU KNOW THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND SURVIVORS' LAWYERS WILL INVESTIGATE THE RESPONSE MUCH BETTER THAN THIS COUNCIL COULD EVER DO. THIS IS A LEGISLATIVE BODY AND YOU SHOULD LIMIT THE INVESTIGATION TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASPECTS THAT CONTRIBUTED TO THIS DISASTER. AND WHAT ARE SOME OF THOSE LEGISLATIVE ASPECTS? DO INDEED LOOK AT PAGE 34 OF THE WEST MAUI COMMUNITY PLAN. THAT PHOTO SHOWS THE FIRE COMING JUST KISSING LAHAINA TOWN IN 2018. AND THE COMMUNITY PLAN WROTE LANGUAGE -- HAS LANGUAGE THAT IT REQUIRES ALL PROJECTS GOING FORWARD TO INCORPORATE DEFENSIBLE SPACE AROUND THEIR PERIMETER. IT REQUIRES NEW BUILDINGS TO SERVE AS EMERGENCY SHELTERS. BUT SOMEHOW IT ONLY ENCOURAGES THE DEVELOPMENT OF FIRE BREAKS AND BIOSWALES THAN USED FOR GREENWAYS AND RECREATIONAL PATHS.\r\n\r\nHOW DID THAT LANGUAGE OF "ENCOURAGEMENT" RATHER THAN "REQUIREMENT" END UP IN THE WEST MAUI COMMUNITY PLAN? WHOEVER IS RESPONSIBLE AND HOPEFULLY, THERE ARE TRANSCRIPTS OF ALL OF THESE MEETINGS AND WHOEVER SUPPORTED AND PUSHED BACK ON THAT NOT BEING A REQUIREMENT, YOU KNOW, THE LAWYERS PURSUING WRONGFUL DEATH CLAIMS PROBABLY WANT TO KNOW WHO THOSE INDIVIDUALS ARE, BECAUSE THAT IS WHERE RESPONSIBILITY LIES. OTHER COUNCIL ACTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN TAKEN AND IGNORED, YOU DID AN AUDIT, THE ZAED AUDIT WAS INITIATED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND SHOWED A CLEAR PATTERN IN THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT OF CRONYISM AND INTIMIDATION AND MICHELE MCLEAN WAS THE HEAD OF THAT CRITICISM AND NOW SHE'S BEEN REWARDED AS AN EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT WORKING FOR CHAIR LEE, ARE YOU KIDDING ME? YOU VOTED TO SPECIALTY OUR MONEY ON OUTSIDE LAWYERS TO TRY AND CRUSH CHRIST SALEM BECAUSE HIS CASE HAS WHISTLE-BLOWER CLAIMS AGAINST MICHELE MCLEAN AND OTHERS. YOU WANT TO LITIGATE IT INSTEAD OF RESOLVING THE ISSUES AND EMBRACING THE WHISTLE- BLOWER CLAIMS? THOSE WHISTLE-BLOWER CLAIMS ARE WHAT CONTRIBUTED TO THIS DISASTER AND CHAIR LEE, I'M

SORRY, APPEARANCE OF CONFLICT, PLEASE LOOK UP THE CONCEPT. >> CAN YOU KEEP YOUR REMARKS ON THE AGENDIZED ITEM, PLEASE.\r\n\r\nINVESTIGATION -- INVESTIGATE PLEASE -- -- THAT IS THREE MINUTES. THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS SAL OKOYE. >> WE HAVE NO QUESTIONS, THANK YOU. >> TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-201 AND HE WILL BE FOLLOWED BY KELLIE KEAHI. >> WHAT WAS THAT AGAIN? WE SEE YOU NOW. >> CAN YOU HEAR ME, TOO?\r\n\r\n>> YES. >> ALOHA KAKOU. >> HI. ALOHA. >> MAHALO FOR TODAY. THANK YOU CHAIR ALICE LEE, COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS. MY NAME IS SAM AKOI.\r\n\r\nI'M BORN AND RAISED IN HANA, 18 GENERATIONS FROM HANA. SPEAKING ON RESOLUTION NO. 23-201. I'M IN FAVOR OF URGING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CONTINUE CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN THE COUNTY OF MAUI. YOU KNOW, I'M REALLY IN THIS RESOLUTION WHEREAS, WHEREAS, WE ALL KNOW WHERE IT IS, YOU KNOW? US, YOU KNOW, LIVING HERE, SHORT STORY. MY PAPA, I WASN'T EVEN BORN YET, ONE YEAR BEFORE I WAS BORN, HAD AN ACCIDENT DIVING PEPI LEPU AND FREAK ACCIDENT, THE BOAT FLIPPED OVER, MY PAPA TOLD MY DAD TO SWIM TO THE ISLAND AND MY PAPA WENT TO THE OTHER ISLAND AND SOMEHOW THE BOAT HIT HILL OP HIS HEAD HE DROWNED THERE. BACK IN THE DAYS THEY HAD NO RESPONSE TEAM.\r\n\r\nTHE TEAM WAS THE DIVERS, THE FISHERMEN, THE HUNTERS, YOU KNOW? SO MY DAD, YOU KNOW, 16 YEARS OLD, RUNNING UP THE CLIFFS, NO CARS, TOO THOSE DAYS. YOU KNOW, HAD TO CATCH A RIDE ALL THE WAY TO HANA, AND HAD A COUPLE OTHER COMMUNITY MEMBERS THAT CAME OUT, BUT BY THEN HE WAS PURPLE ALREADY. HE WAS DEAD. BUT ANYWAY, THIS -- I DIDN'T SEE THAT HAPPEN, BUT MY FATHER HE GOES THROUGH THE TRAUMATIZE OF THAT THE REST HIS LIFE. FROM THEN TO NOW, AS I WAS BORN AND PUT ON THIS EACH OTHER IN HANA, I HAVE SEEN A LOT OF TRAGEDY THAT IT COULD BE TAKEN CARE OF, IF WE HAD RESPONSE -- HELICOPTERS, AND AIRPLANES TO GET THEM -- PAST THE HIGH SCHOOL, THERE'S NO COMMUNICATION THERE, ALL THE WAY TO HAIKU, YOU KNOW? HOW CAN WE DRIVE OUT AND THINK THAT -- SO I JUST URGE THIS COUNCIL TO PUSH FORWARD THIS RESOLUTION BECAUSE THIS IS A NEED AND MUST IN MAUI.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND MAHALO FOR THE WORK YOU DO. ALOHA. >> ALOHA, THANK YOU. MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> I'M A LAHAINA RESIDENT WHOSE HOUSE DID BURN DOWN. ON THIS BILL TODAY AS A LAHAINA RESIDENT, HE DON'T SEE ANY OTHER LAHAINA PEOPLE IN HERE.\r\n\r\nI PERSONALLY CAN'T -- I MEAN, I HAVE QUESTIONS JUST SEEING THIS FOR THE FIRST TIME, AND THERE'S A LOT IN THERE THAT JUST TO ME, WITH THE OPTING-OUT PART IS NOT CLEAR WITH FINES AND PENALTIES. THERE'S A LOT OF QUESTIONS THAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS. SO I'M NOT FOR THIS BEING PASSED TODAY. I REALLY DO FEEL LIKE LAHAINA NEEDS QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS, AND BEFORE WE MAKE A DECISION ON WHAT IS RIGHT FOR US AT THIS POINT. SO I'M ASKING YOU NOT TO PASS THIS 86 TODAY. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nQUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT TESTIFIER. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS JENNIFER PEDERSON, I'M NOT SURE WHAT TOPIC -- OH, BILL 86 AND RESOLUTION 23-201. >> ALOHA, GOOD MORNING. CAN YOU HEAR ME OKAY? >> YES, WE CAN. >> AWESOME.\r\n\r\nI AM A NAPILI RESIDENT COMING IN TO ECHO AND HAVE A VOICE FOR LAHAINA. I THINK IT'S CLEAR THAT THE NEEDS FROM LAHAINA AND KULA HAVE DIFFERENT NEEDS SPECIFICALLY. SO I'M NOT TRYING TO BE DIVISIVE, BUT I DID WANT TO JUMP ON AND HAVE MY VOICE HEARD ON BEHALF OF SO MANY PEOPLE OF LAHAINA, WHO HAVE NOT HAD A CHANCE TO EVEN READ THE 12 PAGES, BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT IT OR FOUND OUT ABOUT IT LAST-MINUTE AT 10:00 AT MITE. I DID HAVE A CHANCE TO READ IT AND I HAVE RED LINED A LOT. SO MY FORMAL REQUEST IS TO KICK THIS TO COMMITTEE, TO HAVE ALL OF THOSE VERY IMPORTANT DETAILS, QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PROVIDED FOR THE PEOPLE. SO THAT THEY CAN CLEARLY UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY ARE SUPPORTING. ALSO, REGARDING RESO 23-201, I JUST WANTED TO SAY MAHALO TO THE HANA -- 'OHANAS FOR SPEAKING UP, BECAUSE THIS WAS ALSO AN ISSUE THAT KIND OF CAME AT AN INOPPORTUNE TIME AND A LOT OF PEOPLE FROM MAUI AND KAUA'I HAD NO IDEA ABOUT THIS CONTRACT BEING REVISED.\r\n\r\nAND I JUST WANTED TO BE A VOICE TO HAVE FURTHER FIGHT FOR THE CURRENT, IF IT'S NOT BROKEN, DON'T FIX IT AND JUST BE ON THE RECORD SUPPORTING AMR AND MORE IMPORTANTLY FOR US IN NAPILI, OF PEOPLE THAT ARE 45 TO AN HOUR OUT FROM AN ACTUAL HOSPITAL FOR THESE TYPES OF SERVICES. WE NEED TO HAVE LIFE-SAVING SUPPORT AND CANNOT HAVE A GLORIFIED TAXI. I HAVE LIVED ON MAINLAND AS WELL AND I



UNDERSTAND THAT FALCK HAS RESPONSE TIME ISSUES AND JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT MY VOICE IS HEARD FOR ALL THE PEOPLE THAT BE HERE AND/OR DON'T HAVE THE COURAGE TO -- >> MAHALO. >> MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT TESTIFIER. >> CHAIR, THERE'S NO ONE ELSE CURRENTLY SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY, AT THIS TIME, PLEASE LET US KNOW. LOOKS LIKE MR.\r\n\r\nLAU IS HEADING TOWARDS THE MIC. >> GOOD MORNING. >> GOOD MORNING KAKAHIKA. ALOHA KAKOU. J.C. LAU. I SIGNED UP AS FIRE HORSE 66 >> RAISE IT A LITTLE HIGHER. >> IT DIDN'T GO THROUGH, I DON'T KNOW WHY.\r\n\r\nTHAT JUST GOES TO SHOW YOU THAT EVEN THE COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE LOBBY TO COUNCIL CHAMBERS DOESN'T ALWAYS WORK LIKE IT'S SUPPOSED TO. I'M SPEAKING ON BILL 86. 86 IS THE YEAR OF THE FIRE TIGER. I DON'T KNOW IF THAT WAS JUST A COINCIDENCE? AND THANKS FOR YOUR COUNCIL SERVICES OFFICE, BECAUSE I HEARD TAMARA PALTIN ASK DID THE GUY ACTUALLY READ THE BILL? I KIND OF GOT LOST IN THE FIRST PARAGRAPH, WHEREAS, NOT MATTER NOT CONSISTENT -- LAWYER TALK, BUT THE OTHERS PARTS ARE STRAIGHTFORWARD. I HAVE A HANDOUT FOR THE COUNCIL MEMBERS, IF I MAY, MADAM CHAIR? A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY FROM THE DAYS OF ABANDONED CAR DISPOSAL.\r\n\r\nJUST AS TREES WAS UNCLE REZENTS KULEANA, I WORKED ON A TRUCK TRACK FOR OPALA FOR QUANTICO, INCLUDING THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS. THE DEBRIS FROM THE LAHAINA FIRE IS NOT RUBBISH, BUT SOME PEOPLE'S WHO ELSE LIFE'S WORK. I URGE YOU TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT, PONO AND DISPOSE OF THE TOWN'S ASHES CORRECTLY, NOT JUST DUMP IT INTO A PILE WITH THE COFFEE CUPS AND HALF ATEN DOUGHNUTS FROM THE FEMA WORKERS. NOW IS A GOOD TIME TO BUILD THE WASTE-TO-ENERGY FACTORY AND TO BIOCHAR AND USE IT TO REMEDIATE THE 'AINA. I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ANYONE SAY WE CANNOT BECAUSE OF SUCH AND SUCH LAW. MALAMA 'AINA. I YIELD THE REMAINDER OF MY TIME TO THE HAWAIIANS.\r\n\r\n>> MAHALO, ANY QUESTIONS? IF NOT, MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT TESTIFIER. >> CHAIR, THERE'S NO ONE CURRENTLY SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY. IF THERE'S ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY ON THE AGENDA ITEMS, PLEASE MAKE YOURSELF KNOWN. I WILL DO A FAST COUNTDOWN 3, 2, 1, THERE'S NO ONE THAT HAS INDICATE WILLING TO TESTIFY. >> ANY OBJECTIONS >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> SO ORDERED.\r\n\r\n>> FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING JUST TO CLARIFY. >> FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING. >> NO OBJECTIONS, CHAIR. >> MINUTES, H. >> CHAIR, THERE'S NOTHING UNDER H, NO BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL FOR H. MINUTES BEFORE THE COUNCIL ON I, ACTION ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR OR J, COMMUNICATIONS. OR ON K, COMMITTEE REPORTS. MOVING ON TO L, RESOLUTIONS. AT THIS TIME PEOPLE MAY SIGN UP TO TESTIFY ON RESOLUTIONS.\r\n\r\nTHERE'S NO ONE CURRENTLY SIGNED UP. >> MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. WE'RE PAST OUR MORNING BREAK. >> I THINK WE WOULD CHECK ON RESOLUTIONS AND IF THERE'S NO TESTIMONY, WE COULD TAKE A BREAK AFTER THAT. >> WELL, WE WOULD HAVE TO TAKE UP AN ITEM, AND START DELIBERATION. >> WE'LL TAKE ONE ITEM UNDER "RESOLUTIONS." >> MS.\r\n\r\nCLERK. >> CHAIR, THERE'S NO ONE CURRENTLY SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY ON RESOLUTIONS. IF THERE'S ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY ON RESOLUTIONS, PLEASE IDENTIFY YOURSELF AT THIS TIME. AND THE COUNTDOWN IS 3, 2, 1. CHAIR, THERE'S NO ONE TO TESTIFY ON RESOLUTIONS. >> ANY OBJECTIONS TO CLOSING PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND ACCEPTING WRITTEN TESTIMONY ON RESOLUTIONS >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> SO ORDERED. MS.\r\n\r\nCLERK. >> MADAM CHAIR, BEFORE YOU IS RESOLUTION 23-36 REFERRING TO THE LANA'I, MAUI, AND MOLOKA'I PLANNING COMMISSIONS A PROPOSED BILL RELATED TO FARM DWELLINGS. >> MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR I MOVE TO DISCHARGE THE ADEPT COMMITTEE OF FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 23-36. >> SECOND. >> MOVED BY -- IT'S BEEN MOVED BY MEMBER JOHNSON, SECONDED BY MEMBER SUGIMURA TO DISCHARGE THE ADEPT COMMITTEE UNDER RULE 5E OF THIS ITEM. MEMBER JOHNSON, DISCUSSION? >> THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nMEMBERS, SINCE EARLIER THIS YEAR, MY TEAM AND I HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD ON UPDATING THE BILL ATTACHED THIS RESO TO INCLUDE NEW LANGUAGE REGARDING LEGAL, NON-PERMITTED FARM DWELLINGS, ET CETERA. WE HAD MEETING. >> THIS IS JUST FOR THE DISCHARGE. >> RIGHT. OKAY. SO I ASK THE MEMBERS' SUPPORT OF MY MOTION TO DISCHARGE. >> ANY MORE DISCUSSION?\r\n\r\n\r\nALL IN FAVOR OF THE DISCHARGE, RAISE YOUR HAND, SAY AYE? >> AYE. >> MINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES. MEMBER JOHNSON. >> ROLL CALL, PLEASE. >> ROLL CALL. OKAY.\r\n\r\nROLL CALL. >> COUNCIL MEMBER PRO TEMPORE TASHA KAMA? >> YES. >> VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL



MEMBER PALTIN? >> NO.\r\n\r\n>> COUNCIL MEMBER JOHNSON? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER COOK? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER UHODGINS?\r\n\r\n>> YES. >> COUNCIL MEMBER SINENCI? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL CHAIR LEE? >> AYE. >> CHAIR, THERE ARE EIGHT AYES, ONE NO, MOTION PASSES. >> MEMBER JOHNSON.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. SO WE HAVE HAD MEETINGS WITH DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY, THE MOTION WAS TO DISCHARGE. >> YES. SO NOW YOU ARE GOING TO MAKE A MOTION TO PASS SOMETHING? >> THE RESO? >> TO WAIVE RULE 7G. >> I HAVE TO WAIVE RULE 7G, IS THAT RIGHT? >> COMMITTEE REFERRAL AND REPORT?\r\n\r\n>> DAVID? >> IF WE'RE GOING TO DO A DISCHARGE, WE NEED TO NEXT WAIVE RULE 7G. AND THEN -- WE CAN ALSO TAKE OUR MORNING RECESS, AND DISCUSS. >> WE WERE PLANNING TO TAKE THE RECESS AFTER THIS. GO AHEAD. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THE COUNCIL ACTUALLY EXEMPTED THESE TYPES OF RESOLUTIONS THAT REFER BILLS TO THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS FROM THE REQUIREMENT OF COMMITTEE REFERRAL AND REPORT. SO NO WAIVER IS NECESSARY.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. >> OKAY. WE'LL STILL NEED A MAIN MOTION BEFORE DISCUSSION. >> RIGHT. THAT IS WHAT I THOUGHT HE WAS GOING TO DO RIGHT NOW. >> MOVE TO DISCHARGE. >> NO.\r\n\r\n>> MOVE TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION. >> OKAY. MOVE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-36. >> CAN I MAKE THE MOTION? >> WELL, >> WELL, >> WELL, DOES IT MATTER? LET'S GO BACK TO MEMBER JOHNSON. >> OKAY. >> WE'RE AT THE POINT THAT SOMEBODY NEEDS TO MAKE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION 23-36? >> CHAIR?\r\n\r\n>> YES. >> SO MEMBER JOHNSON, YOU MADE THE MOTION TO DISCHARGE. >> RIGHT. >> THE CHAIR KIND OF INTERRUPTED A LITTLE BIT OF YOUR REMARKS, CALLED FOR THE QUESTION. WE DID A ROLL CALL. WE VOTED. AND SO NOW IT'S BEEN DISCHARGED.\r\n\r\nTHAT MOTION PASSED. RIGHT. >> NOW WE NEED A MAIN MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-36, AND THEN YOU CAN PROVIDE YOUR REMARKS AFTER YOU GET A SECOND. >> I MOVE TO ADOPT. >> HOLD ON ONE SECOND. APPARENTLY, ACCORDING TO MY NOTES, MEMBER SUGIMURA WAS GOING TO MAKE THE MOTION. >> OKAY.\r\n\r\n>> OKAY. WAS THAT YOUR UNDERSTANDING AS WELL, MEMBER JOHNSON >> YES. >> ALL RIGHT. VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I MOVE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-36. >> SECOND.\r\n\r\n>> MOVED BY VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA, SECONDED BY PRO TEM KAMA TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-36. DISCUSSION? >> THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MEMBER JOHNSON. SO THIS SIMPLE BILL, I CALL IT, WHICH HAS BEEN SITTING IN THIS COMMITTEE DID GET ONE HEARING WHETHER FIRST -- OUR FIRST MEETING OF THIS COUNCIL TERM. I APPRECIATE THAT. THEN IT WAS DEFERRED, BECAUSE THERE'S BIGGER DISCUSSIONS GOING ON ABOUT HOUSING. SO THIS -- I CALL IT MY SIMPLE BILL, BECAUSE EVERY SO MANY WEEKS I GUESS, I GET INQUIRIES FROM PEOPLE WHO HAVE -- ARE IN THE AG DISTRICT, WHO WOULD LIKE TO BUILD AN 'OHANA, OR BUILD A SECOND DWELLING, AND THIS ONLY TAKES IT FROM A THOUSAND TO 1500 SQUARE FEET.\r\n\r\nSO I CALL IT MY SIMPLE BILL IN COMPARISON TO SOME OF THE OTHER HOUSING BILLS DISCUSSED IN COMMITTEE. I REALLY WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE COUNCIL IF WE CAN SEND IT DIRECTLY TO THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS BECAUSE OF EVERYTHING ELSE GOING ON IN OUR COMMUNITY? AND THAT IF WE COULD JUST INSTEAD OF SENDING IT TO MEMBER KAMA'S COMMITTEE AND HAVING ANOTHER COMMITTEE MEETING, BUT TO SEND IT FORWARD AND HEAR FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS. SO THEREFORE, THAT IS WHAT I WOULD LIKE. >> THAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE RESOLUTION; RIGHT? >> YES. >> AND FURTHER DISCUSSION?\r\n\r\nMEMBER JOHNSON. >> CHAIR, IF YOU ALLOW, I WILL JUST FINISH UP A FEW OF MY REASONS I DISCHARGED. >> OKAY. >> SO WE HAD MEETINGS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, PUBLIC WORKS, PLANNING, DEPARTMENT OF AG, TRYING TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF LACK OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUP MR. FOR OUR FARM WORKERS AND AG DWELLINGS. BUT IN LIGHT OF THE DISASTER, AND THE SHIFT IN FOCUS IN THE ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES I'M AFRAID WE WON'T BE ABLE TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE BILL NEXT FEW MONTHS. WITH THAT SAID, I DID TELL COUNCIL VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA THAT IF I WAS REFERRED THIS ITEM\r\n\r\nI WOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE IT UP EXPEDITIOUSLY, BUT THE ADDED COMPLICATION OF THE CURRENT EMERGENCY WE'RE IN, I WOULD LIKE TO RESPECTFULLY DISCHARGE.\r\n\r\nI MADE THAT POINT. JUST TO LET YOU KNOW, WE WERE TRYING. AND BECAUSE OF ALL OF THE THINGS THAT HAVE HAPPENED, AND I WANTED TO MAKE IT A LITTLE BIT MORE ROBUST BILL, BECAUSE AGAIN, WITH THE WAY THE PROCESS GOES, IT GOES TO PLANNING COMMISSIONS AND COMES BACK TO US. SO IF IT DOES COME BACK TO US AND WE DO

MAKE MORE AMENDMENTS TO IT, IT WILL GO BACK TO THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS. SO I WAS TRYING TO MAKE IT STREAMLINED, BUT ALL THINGS CONSIDERED, THAT IS THE REASON FOR MY DISCHARGE. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> WE NEED A ROLL CALL.\r\n\r\nMEMBER PALTIN. >> I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE SOME DISCUSSION. >> FURTHER DISCUSSION? SURE. MEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU. I JUST WANTED TO POINT OUT THIS ALSO DID GO TO COMMITTEE UNDER ME AS WELL, AND EVERY TIME I THINK THE LAST TIME WHEN WE SENT THE CHART HOUSE THING THROUGH, THEY ASKED FOR NOTES, WHICH WE PROVIDED THEM.\r\n\r\nIT'S NOW KIND OF A MOOT POINT, BECAUSE THE CHART HOUSE BURNED DOWN AND THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO OPEN. THE LAST TIME THAT IT WAS IN COMMITTEE, THE AMENDMENT THAT I WOULD HAVE LIKED TO HAVE MADE, AND WAS KIND OF BLOCKED WAS WEST MAUI HAS A LOT OF LUXURY ESTATES PARADING AS FARMS, AND A LOT OF THEM HAVE SQUARE FOOTAGE IN THE 7,000 PLUS RANGE. AND SO THE AMENDMENT THAT I WANTED TO ADD WAS THE COMBINED SQUARE FOOTAGE SHOULDN'T BE MORE THAN 5,000 SQUARE FEET, IF THE 'OHANA IS GOING TO BUILD A 1500 JUST TO KEEP IT LEGIT AGRICULTURAL PROPERTIES. SO IN WHATEVER CORRESPONDENCE IS SENT OVER TO THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS, I THINK IT SHOULD BE THE FIRST, THE MINUTES OF THE FIRST TIME THAT IT WAS HEARD THIS TERM, AS WELL AS INCLUDE THAT AS A SUGGESTED AMENDMENT FOR THEM TO CONSIDER SO THAT IT WON'T NEED TO GO BACK TO THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS IF THAT IS PROPOSED WHEN IT COMES BACK FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION. >> VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> CURIOUS, COULD WE ASK DAVID RAATZ IS THAT IS ALLOWED? THAT IS INTERESTING.\r\n\r\n>> MR. RAATZ? >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. YOU COULD AMEND THE RESOLUTION TODAY. IT WOULD REQUIRE A RULE 19C WAIVER, BECAUSE IT'S FINAL ACTION ON THE RESOLUTION TODAY. BUT YOU COULD AMEND THE RESOLUTION BY AMENDING THE ATTACHED BILL, IF THE BODY CHOOSES TO DO SO. >> MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO TAKING A RECESS?\r\n\r\n>> NO. >> OKAY, WE'LL RETURN AT 11:15, THIS MEETING IS IN RECESS. [ GAVEL ] [ GAVEL ] >> WILL THE COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2023, PLEASE RECONVENE. MS. CLERK. WHERE WERE WE? WE WERE ON RESO 23-36. YES, MEMBER PALTIN.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I MOVE TO AMEND THE MOTION TO INCLUDE TRANSMITTAL OF THE MARCH 9TH, 2023 ADEPT COMMITTEE MINUTES, WHEN THIS WAS LAST TAKEN UP. SO THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HAVE CONTEXT FOR THIS RESOLUTION ABOUT WHAT HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN DISCUSSED. >> SECOND. >> MOVED BY MEMBER PALTIN, SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA TO AMEND THE MOTION TO INCLUDE THE MARCH 9TH ADEPT COMMITTEE MEETINGS. ANY MORE DISCUSSION? MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ.\r\n\r\n>> MAHALO, CHAIR. I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THE MOTION. MY QUESTION IS ON PROCESS. SO IF IT'S UNCLEAR TO ME, AND IF ANYONE HAS INFORMATION ON THIS, I WOULD LOVE TO HEAR IT, WE'RE DOING COMMITTEE WORK ON THE COUNCIL FLOOR. SO IF THEN THE -- WOULD THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS BE ABLE TO TAKE INFORMATION FROM THE MEETING MINUTES, AND THEN MAKE AMENDMENT -- USE THAT TO MAKE AMENDMENTS TO THE BILL THAT WE TRANSMIT TO THEM? >> YOU MEAN MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS >> YES, RECOMMEND THE AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION. >> MY UNDERSTANDING, MEMBER PALTIN, IS THAT THE MINUTES WOULD BE INCLUDED WITH THE RESOLUTION AS A POINT OF REFERENCE, AND INFORMATION, AND NOT NECESSARILY A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE COUNCIL.\r\n\r\nBECAUSE WE DIDN'T VOTE ON IT. IT'S JUST INFORMATION, BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THIS TOPIC. >> RIGHT. BUT MEMBER PALTIN ALREADY EXPLAINED AN AMENDMENT THAT SHE WOULD HAVE MADE AND TRIED TO MAKE IN COMMITTEE. SO IF THAT IS AN AMENDMENT THAT MEMBER PALTIN WANTED TO MAKE, WOULD THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS THAT IT'S BEEN TRANSMITTED TO BE ABLE TO RECOMMEND THAT AMENDMENT, IF THAT IS SOMETHING THAT THEY ARE SUPPORTIVE OF? >> YES, DAVID? >> THAT IS CORRECT, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. >> OKAY, MAHALO, CHAIR. >> PRO TEM KAMA. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. SO IS THERE A WAY TO HIGHLIGHT THE PORTION OF THE MINUTES, THE ADEPT MINUTES THAT WOULD REFER TO THIS PARTICULAR BILL AS OPPOSED TO THEM HAVING TO READ THE -- THE MINUTES ARE REALLY LENGTHY SOMETIMES, AND WE REALLY WANT THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS TO ZERO IN ON THE PART OF THE TOPIC MATTER IN WHICH WE THINK THAT -- YOU KNOW, THAT PERTAINS TO THIS PARTICULAR BILL? IS THERE A WAY WHEN WE SEND THE ADEPT MINUTES OVER, THAT WE CAN AT LEAST HIGHLIGHT THAT PORTION? SO THAT THAT IS WHAT WE WANT THEM TO LOOK AT, AND NOT TRY TO READ 20 OR 30 PAGES' OF MINUTES >> DAVID, IS THAT MORE A CLERICAL THING THAT WE CAN DO IT?\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. AND

I'M LOOKING AT THE MINUTES RIGHT NOW. THEY ARE 59 PAGES. SO I THINK COUNCIL MEMBER KAMA'S POINT IS WELL-TAKEN. AND JUST FOR A LITTLE BIT OF ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND, THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT HAS TOLD US WHAT THE COUNCIL TAKES ACTION ON THE FLOOR. THE RESOLUTION LIKE THIS, TRANSMIT A LAND USE BILL TO THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS WITHOUT BENEFIT OF COMMITTEE REPORT AND THEY WELCOME AS MUCH BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT AS POSSIBLE. SO THEY WILL BE GLAD TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES AND I DON'T KNOW HOW THE BODY TODAY WITHOUT TAKING A LOT OF TIME CAN NECESSARILY GO THROUGH THESE 59 PAGES AND DECIDE WHAT ELEMENTS TO HIGHLIGHT?  
THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING THAT YOU COULD HAVE DONE THROUGH A COMMITTEE REPORT, IF THE COMMITTEE HAD BEEN ABLE TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION? BUT WITHOUT THAT, IT SEEMS LIKE IT MIGHT BE AN ARDUOUS TASK TO TRY TO DO THAT HIGHLIGHTING. JUST FINAL POINT, ANY COUNCIL MEMBER WOULD BE WELCOME TO SUBMIT TESTIMONY TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND TO THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS, WHEN THIS PROPOSAL COMES UP, AND THE DEPARTMENT HAS TOLD US THAT THEY ALSO WORK THAT TYPE OF INPUT. >> GO AHEAD. >> IF THAT IS THE CASE, MEMBER PALTIN COULD MAKE TESTIMONY TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION REGARDING THAT. THANK YOU. >> OKAY.  
ANY MORE DISCUSSION? WE ARE ON THE MOTION TO ADOPT 23-36. >> CHAIR? >> WE'RE ON THE AMENDMENT. >> ON THE AMENDMENT, THANK YOU. >> TO INCLUDE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 9TH OF THE ADEPT COMMITTEE. EVERYBODY CLEAR? DO WE NEED A ROLL CALL?  
ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE AMENDMENT, RAISE YOUR HAND, SAY AYE? NINE AYES, ZERO NOS. NOW THE MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED. ANY MORE DISCUSSION? MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. YOU KNOW, THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORTS AS DIRECTOR RAATZ WAS SAYING, AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS, FULLY THOUGHT THROUGH, BACK TO COUNCIL, AND AS MEMBER JOHNSON EXPLAINED IN HIS OPENING REMARKS I UNDERSTAND WE TRIED TO -- MEMBER JOHNSON DID HIS BEST TO TAKE UP THIS ITEM IN COMMITTEE TO GET THAT INFORMATION TO THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS.  
I STILL FEEL LIKE IT'S PREMATURE. AS HE SAID, IF THEY MAKE AMENDMENTS, AND WE MAKE AMENDMENTS TOO SUBSTANTIAL TO -- FROM THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE RECEIVED FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS, THEN IT WILL HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE PLANNING COMMISSIONS, AND IT'S KIND OF A WASTE OF EVERYONE'S TIME TO DO IT THAT WAY. I GUESS, I DON'T SEE THE URGENCY AS MUCH TO GET THIS PASSED NOW. I MEAN RIGHT NOW THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO BUILD A THOUSAND SQUARE FEET. IT'S INCREASING IT BY 500. I'M GOING TO BE VOTING NO, I GUESS, IS WHAT I'M SAYING. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> ALL RIGHT.  
MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I'M AFRAID WHILE THIS DRAFT DOES PROVIDE A QUICK FIX TO THE CONCERNS OF CERTAIN LANDOWNERS, A SIMPLE PROPOSAL DOES NOT ADDRESS ALL THE COMMUNITY CONCERNS REGARDING SO-CALLED YOUNG GENTLEMEN FARMER'S AND FURTHER MECHANISM TO ENSURE THAT ADDED-SQUARE-FOOTAGE FOR SECOND HOME ON AG LOTS WOULD INDEED SUPPORT AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION AND PART OF OUR JOB HERE IS TO MAKE SURE THAT AG LAND IS STILL AFFORDABLE FOR OUR FARMERS; RIGHT? THAT IS THE WHOLE REASON WE KEEP AG LAND TAXED SO LOW. THERE'S A DANGER THAT INCREASED BUILDING SIZE IN OUR AGRICULTURAL DISTRICTS RAISE PROPERTY VALUES, POTENTIAL INFLATING COSTS FOR AG LAND COUNTYWIDE AND ENCOURAGE SPECULATION THAT FURTHER INCREASES THE PROPERTY VALUES. AND THAT IS WHAT I'M AFRAID OF THE UNINTENTIONAL IMPACT OF ACTUALLY DECREASING FARMERS ACCESS TO AG LAND AND THUS LOCAL FOOD PRODUCTION. THAT IS MY THOUGHTS ON IT.  
THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> MEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I'M IN AGREEMENT WITH MEMBER JOHNSON ON THAT, AND THAT IS WHY I'LL BE TESTIFYING BEFORE THE COMMISSIONS ABOUT THAT 5,000 TOTAL SQUARE FEET. YOU KNOW, IN SOME OF THE TESTIFIERS, THEY WERE LIVING IN A 1500 SQUARE FOOT HOUSE SO THEY WANTED THAT TO BE THEIR ACCESSORY AND BUILD ANOTHER BIGGER HOUSE. AND IN WEST MAUI, IT'S A REAL ISSUE, WHERE SOME OF OUR AG DWELLINGS ARE 8,000 SQUARE FEET AND ABOVE. SO I'M OKAY WITH ALLOWING A LITTLE BIT BIGGER, BUT NOT FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE SCHOOL OF ONES THAT WANT A LARGER ONE.  
SO THAT IS MY SOLUTION WAS TO PROPOSE THAT AMENDMENT THAT THE TOTAL SQUARE FOOTAGE BE 5,000. A LARGE HOUSE IN MAUI. SO THAT WAS THE PURPOSE OF TRYING TO SUPPORT A SIMPLE FIX, BUT ALSO TRYING TO KEEP AG LAND AFFORD AND NOT TO ENABLE SCOFFLAWS IN THE AG LANDS. THANK YOU. >> ANYBODY ELSE READY FOR THE VOTE ROLL CALL ON MOTION AS

AMENDED. >> COUNCIL MEMBER PRO TEMPORE TASHA KAMA? >> YES. >> VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA?  
>> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER JOHNSON? >> AYE  
WITH RESERVATIONS. >> COUNCIL MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ? >> NO.>> COUNCIL  
MEMBER COOK? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER UU-HODGINS? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER  
SINENCI? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL CHAIR LEE?>> AYE. >> CHAIR, THERE ARE EIGHT AYES, ONE  
NO, MOTION CARRIES. >> OKAY, NEXT ONE. >> CHAIR FOR REFERRAL TO YOUR HS LULU  
RESOLUTION 23-199, URGING THE GOVERNOR AND THE MAYOR TO EXPEDITE MANUFACTURED  
AND MODULAR DEVELOPMENTS IN AREAS SUPPORTED BY THE WEST MAUI COMMUNITY PLAN. >>  
MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO REFERRING THIS TO THE DRIP COMMITTEE? >> CHAIR, H LU. >>  
DRIP.>> YES. >> PRO TEM KAMA IS AWARE. >> I HAD A CONVERSATION WITH MEMBER  
PALTIN REGARDING THIS AND I SAID IF SHE WANTS IT IN HER COMMITTEE, I WOULD GO AHEAD  
AND LET IT GO. >> ANY OBJECTIONS TO SENDING THIS TO THE DRILL COMMITTEE? >> NO  
OBJECTIONS. >> SO ORDERED. >> THANK YOU, MEMBERS.>> NEXT. >> CHAIR, BEFORE YOU IS  
RESOLUTION 23-201, URGING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CONTINUE TO CONTRACT  
WITH AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN THE  
COUNTY OF MAUI. >> MEMBER PALTIN? >> INSTRUCTOR: MOVE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-201. >>  
SECOND. >> >> WELL, MEMBER PALTIN, I THINK PEOPLE WERE CONSIDERING ALSO REFERRING  
THIS TO COMMITTEE. SINCE WE WOULD PROBABLY NEED MORE INFORMATION. >> OKAY.>>  
ANY OBJECTIONS, MEMBERS, TO -- SO YOU WITHDRAW THE MOTION? >> ME? >> YES. >> OKAY. >> I  
LOVE THIS JOB. OKAY, SO ANY OBJECTIONS TO REFERRING THIS TO COMMITTEE? AND THIS  
WOULD GO TO THE WASSP COMMITTEE?>> ANY OBJECTIONS, MEMBERS? SO ORDERED.  
MADAM CLERK. >> BEFORE YOU IS RESOLUTION 23-202 URGING THE MAYOR TO HIRE A QUALIFIED  
CPA FIRM OR SIMILAR PROFESSIONAL ENTITY TO ENSURE MAUI COUNTY MAXIMIZES ITS ACCESS  
TO FEDERAL DISASTER RELIEF POUNDS. >> MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR, I  
MOVE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-202. >> SECOND. >> MOVED BY MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ,  
SECONDED BY PRO TEM KAMA TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-202. DISCUSSION?>> MEMBER  
RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ? >> MAHALO CHAIR. MEMBERS THIS RESOLUTION URGES THE MAYOR TO  
HIRE A QUALIFIED CPA FIRM OR PROFESSIONAL ENTITY TO MAXIMIZE FEDERAL DISASTER RELIEF  
FUNDS AS POSSIBLE IN THE WAKE OF THE AUGUST 2023 MAUI FIRES, THESE FUNDS ARE MUCH-  
NEEDED BY OUR COUNTY, BUT NAVIGATING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S GRANT PROCEDURES  
CAN BE DIFFICULT AND COUNTY OFFICIALS FOCUSED ON RECOVERY EFFORTS MAY NOT HAVE THE  
CAPACITY TO DEVELOP THE EXPERTISE REQUIRED TO ACCESS ALL AVAILABLE FUNDING.  
THEREFORE I AFFIRM THAT EMPLOYING CPAS AND OWNER PROFESSIONALS THAT SPECIALIZE IN  
HELPING CLIENTS GAIN FEDERAL GRANTS WOULD BE VALUABLE TO THE COUNTY. >> WAS THAT  
YOUR HAND? >> SECOND. >> WE HAD A SECOND.>> OH, GOOD. >> GOOD. ANY MORE  
DISCUSSION? VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> WHEN I FIRST READ THIS ABOUT CPAS, THEY KEEP  
TRACK OF MONEY. THEN UPON FURTHER DISCUSSION, I WANTED TO KNOW THE WAY IT'S WRITTEN  
SOUNDS LIKE THE CPA WOULD GO AFTER GRANTS. I THINK THAT YOU WANT SOMEBODY AND I  
WANT CLARIFICATION, BECAUSE THIS IS YOUR BILL, YOU WANT THE CPAS TO BE ABLE TO  
MONITOR ALL THE FEMA MONEY THAT COMES IN AND MAKE SURE THAT IT'S BEING -- . NOT  
MONITOR, BUT TO FILE FOR REIMBURSEMENTS AND KEEP TRACK OF THOSE FILINGS.>> FILE  
FOR REIMBURSEMENTS. >> YES. BECAUSE FIRST OF ALL, THE TOWN OF PARADISE IN CALIFORNIA,  
WHICH EXPERIENCED THE SAME KIND OF DISASTER AS WE DID, ERNST AND YOUNG, A VERY  
PROMINENT CPA FIRM, BECAUSE THEY HAVE THE EXPERTISE. WE HAVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS AT  
STAKE, AND WE CAN'T AFFORD TO GIVE THIS JOB TO A COUNTY EMPLOYEE, WHO ALREADY HAS A  
JOB. AND THIS HAS BEEN THE PRACTICE IN THE PAST. SO WHAT HAPPENED IS WE DON'T ALWAYS  
GET ALL OF THE MONIES THAT WE COULD BE ENTITLED TO. BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE  
PROFESSIONALS FOCUSING ON THIS ASSIGNMENT.>> THAT IS THE REASON FOR THIS. >> THANK  
YOU FOR THAT EXPLANATION. I'M ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT THE KONA DECISION; RIGHT? >> NO, I  
DON'T -- I THINK DON'T EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT DECISION. >> I WONDER IF THERE'S AN  
ATTORNEY WHO COULD TELL US THAT BY DOING THIS, IS IT IMPACTING THE KONO DECISION  
THAT BRINGING IN SOMEBODY ON THE COUNTY AND WONDER IF WE COULD GET AN ATTORNEY?  
>> I THINK DAVID COULD GIVE US THAT. >> THANK YOU.>> THANK YOU CHAIR, THE DECISION  
COUNCIL MEMBER SUGIMURA IS BRINGING UP FROM THE SUPREME COURT DECISION IN THE 90S

THAT THE JUDICIAL OPINION THAT SAID YOU CAN'T OUTSOURCE WORK THAT IS TRADITIONAL DONE BY CIVIL SERVANTS UNLESS YOU GET THE LEGISLATURE TO CHANGE THE CIVIL SERVICE LAW. SO IT'S A VALID POINT. IT'S SOMETHING THAT THE COUNTY SHOULD ALWAYS CONSIDER WHEN HIRING OUTSIDE CONTRACTORS AND SOMETHING THAT THE ADMINISTRATION WOULD HAVE TO CONSIDER TO ACT IN RESPONSE TO THIS RESOLUTION. >> IS THAT THE RUN WE HIRED OUTSIDE COUNSEL FOR ALL OF THE LAWSUITS THAT WE HAVE? >> NO. OUTSIDE COUNSEL, THAT TYPE OF WORK IS NOT TRADITIONALLY DONE -- >> I DON'T THINK COUNTY EMPLOYEES TRADITIONALLY ARE PROFESSIONAL CPAS WHO CAN HANDLE THE VOLUME OF REIMBURSEMENTS THAT WE'RE ABOUT TO UNDERTAKE. >> I THINK THAT IS A REASONABLE ASSUMPTION.

THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> OKAY. I MEAN, YOU CAN HOLD THAT OPINION IF YOU WISH. ANYBODY ELSE? PLEASE, GO AHEAD STANDBY >> I SHOULD HAVE DONE THIS EARLIER, BUT I DIDN'T KNOW I WAS GOING TO TESTIFY ON IT EITHER. MY NAME IS JENN MATHER AND TESTIFYING ON BILL 86 AND I WASN'T PREPARED TO TESTIFY ON THIS, BECAUSE I ACTUALLY FELL ASLEEP READING IT LAST NIGHT AT 11:00 AND OH, THIS THING IS LONG. SO IF I AM FEELING THAT WAY, AND I READ MOST OF THE STUFF YOU GUYS PUT OUT, IMAGINE ALL OF THE PEOPLE IN LAHAINA AND KULA.

MAYBE THEY WILL READ IT BECAUSE THEY REALIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF IT NOW. SO I GUESS MY TESTIMONY CAN WE PLEASE HAVE MORE TIME? MAYBE REFER IT TO COMMITTEE, JUST FOR A LITTLE BIT, SO WE CAN DISCUSS AND TESTIFY AT THAT TIME. THAT'S IT. MAHALO. >> THANK YOU. QUESTIONS?

IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT TESTIFIER. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS AARON WADE, TESTIFYING ON BILL 86 AND SHE IS FOLLOWED BY COLE GLENNWRIGHT. >> GOOD MORNING, CHAIR. GOOD MORNING, COUNCIL. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO TESTIFY THIS MORNING. I AM HERE REPRESENTING THE DEBRIS TASK FORCE THAT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS.

I HAVE BEEN TASKED WITH ENROLLMENT AND OUTREACH FOR DEBRIS MANAGEMENT. I DID PROVIDE YOU FOLKS A FLIER. I HAVE TO SAY, YOU KNOW, WE'RE BUILDING THIS PROGRAM AS WE'RE COMING TO YOU, BECAUSE OF THE NATURE OF THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE. SO I COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND HESITANCY AND TIME TO ABSORBING AND WE SUBMITTED IT LAST WEEK AND HERE WE ARE THIS WEEK. THE SECOND THE BILL WAS READY, IT WAS SUBMITTED BECAUSE WE'RE TRYING TO BE AS RESPONSIVE AS POSSIBLE. JUST REAL QUICK, THE FLIER THAT I PROVIDED YOU CONTINUES THE CONTINUUM OF THE PROCESS FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL. THE ALTERNATIVE DEBRIS REMOVAL PROGRAM IN FRONT OF YOU IS REALLY THE SECONDARY.

IT'S NOT THE PRIMARY. THE PRIMARY PROGRAM THAT WE'RE TRYING TO PROVIDE IS THE GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED DEBRIS REMOVAL PROGRAM, WHERE THE PROPERTY OWNER HAS NO OUT OF POCKET COSTS FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL. SO THAT IS THE NO. 1 THAT IS WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO GET ORGANIZED AS FAST AS POSSIBLE TO ENSURE WE'RE MAKING IT AVAILABLE TO OUR COMMUNITY. THE ALTERNATIVE IS IF YOU PREFER NOT TO GO WITH A GOVERNMENT PROGRAM FOR WHATEVER REASON, WHAT WOULD THOSE STANDARDS BE? SO THAT IS THE BILL THAT IS IN FRONT OF YOU MORE OR LESS. WE DO WANT TO BE ABLE TO CONTINUE AND EXPECT TO CONTINUE TO ALLOW FOLKS TO SIGN UP WITH THE RIGHT-OF-ENTRY AGREEMENT TO CHOOSE TO GO WITH THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM.

WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO EDUCATE. WE HAVE BEEN TO KULA. WE'LL BE BACK IN KULA NEXT WEEK MONDAY. WE'RE TRYING TO GIVE LAHAINA A LITTLE TIME, BECAUSE RIGHT-OF-ENTRY HASN'T EVEN OFFICIALLY STARTED AS RE-ENTRY STARTS AS THE NEIGHBORHOODS ARE ALLOWED TO HAVE RE-ENTRY, WE WOULD LIKE TO COME IMMEDIATELY BEHIND AND START TALKING ABOUT DEBRIS REMOVAL. FOLKS HAVEN'T EVEN HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE THERE AND QUESTION WHAT IS NEXT. SO OUT OF RESPECT, WE HAVE BEEN ALLOWING THAT LITTLE BIT OF PROCESS, BUT IMMEDIATELY, WE INTEND TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THE SAME KIND OF MEETING WE HAD IN KULA, NEIGHBORHOOD-BY-NEIGHBORHOOD. THE BOOL IS TO HAVE IT BE REALLY INFORMAL.

IN KULA, WE WERE ABLE TO DO A SMALL MEETING, LIKE 30 PEOPLE. AND THAT ALLOWS QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. LOTS OF ONE-ON-ONE, INDEPENDENT Q&A. WHEN YOU DO A BIG MEETING IT'S DIFFICULT FOR PEOPLE TO GET ALL OF THEIR QUESTIONS ANSWERED. WE'LL DO A HUNDRED MEETINGS IF WE NEED TO. I REALLY FEEL LIKE IT'S SUCH A PERSONAL QUESTION FOR FOLKS. WE'RE HAPPY TO BE THERE, AS MUCH AS WE NEED TO, BUT JUST WANTED YOU TO TAKE A LITTLE BIT OF THE PRESSURE OFF THE ALTERNATIVE DEBRIS. THAT IS NOT THE ONE, OF COURSE, WE'RE EXPECTING MOST PEOPLE TO GO WITH.

WE'RE EXPECTING

MOST PEOPLE TO CHOOSE THE NO OUT-OF-POCKET COST OR THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM. SO I JUST WANTED TO SHARE THAT. ALSO -- >> THREE MINUTES. >> IF I COULD CONCLUDE WITH TEN MORE SECONDS? WE HAD AN ARMY OF FOLKS COME HERE TO HELP US AND SET THIS UP. WE'RE MODELING THIS AFTER BUTTE COUNTY, WHERE THE PARADISE FIRE WAS AND COLE GLENNWRIGHT WILL FOLLOW ME FROM THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES. HE HAS BEEN VERY HELPFUL IN ASSISTING US.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. >> QUESTIONS, COUNCIL MEMBER TAMARA PALTIN. >> I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT PASSES THIS BILL TODAY WILL NOT STOP THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS FROM REMOVING DEBRIS FROM PEOPLE'S PROPERTY THAT WANTS IT REMOVED. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. SO OUR INTENTION IS TO CONTINUE MOVING FORWARD WITH THE RIGHT OF ENTRY PROCESS. OF COURSE, WHENEVER YOU ARE OFFERING SOMEBODY THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN A PROGRAM, THEY ARE GOING TO ASK US WHAT IS THE ALTERNATIVE? SO WE WANTED AS MUCH INFORMATION AS WE COULD HAVE TO PROVIDE FOLKS, WHEN I'M TELLING THEM ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SIGNING UP FOR THIS?\r\n\r\nIF THEY ARE ASKING ME WHAT IS MY ALTERNATIVE? I WANTED TO BE ABLE TO LOOK THEM IN THE EYE AND TELL THEM WHAT THAT WOULD BE. WE WHEN I WENT TO KULA, I COULDN'T TELL THEM THAT AND MOST PEOPLE WANTED TO SIGN UP FOR THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS' PROGRAM. OUT OF TRANSPARENCY, I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE BE EXPEDITIOUS IN MAKING SURE THAT WE KNOW AND WE'RE ABLE TO PROVIDE PEOPLE WITH CLEAR OPTIONS. >> AND THE OTHER CLARIFYING QUESTIONS I HAD IS A LOT OF THIS BILL SAYS DIRECTOR SHALL ESTABLISH, OR MUST OR NEED OR WHATEVER YOU WANT TO SAY, IS THERE ANYTHING PREVENTING THE DIRECTOR FROM ESTABLISHING THAT CONCURRENTLY TO THE BILL? BECAUSE SIMILARLY, WHEN YOU SAY THE ALTERNATIVE, WE'RE KIND OF ASSIGNING PENALTIES WITHOUT WHAT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED. >> ERIN THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nMY PREFERENCE WOULD BE TO LET CORP. COUNSEL ANSWER THAT. I HAVE BEEN FOCUSED ON ENROLLMENT AND OUTREACH AND IT'S A BIG QUESTION THAT I WOULD DEFER TO THEM. >> THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. >> YOU ARE ASKING CORP. COUNSEL NOW?\r\n\r\nSHE IS ON THE LINE, I BELIEVE. >> I DON'T KNOW IF THAT IS THE RIGHT PROCESS, BECAUSE WE'RE STILL IN TESTIMONY? >> MIMI -- OH, THAT IS ALL RIGHT. THIS MAY GO TO COMMITTEE. VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU. SO ERIN, YOU SAID THAT YOU COULD PROCEED WITH THE RIGHT-OF-ENTRY FORMS, AND THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS IS ONE PROCESS.\r\n\r\nWOULD YOU STOP THAT, BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE THIS DOCUMENT PASSED? WOULD IT HINDER THE MOVEMENT FORWARD? >> ERIN. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. OUR EXPECTATION IS THAT WE'LL CONTINUE MOVING FORWARD WITH THE RIGHT-OF-ENTRY PROCESS. BUT WE DO NEED AT SOME POINT TO BE ABLE TO ADOPT THIS AND CLEARLY DEFINE WHAT THE RULES AND EXPECTATIONS ARE FOR THE ENTIRETY THE PROGRAM. >> GOOD.\r\n\r\nJUST FOR EVERYBODY'S UNDERSTANDING THE REASON WHY ERIN SAID SHE SPOKE TO THE KULA RESIDENTS, MY GROUP IS SMALL. SO I GOT THEM TOGETHER AT THE WAIPUNA CHAPEL WITH A HUGE AMOUNT OF SUPPORT TO ANSWER QUESTIONS. NEXT WEEK MONDAY I'M HAVING AN UP COUNTRY WILDFIRE RESOURCE FAIR AND ERIN AND THE PEOPLE WHO ARE HERE FROM EPA, AND OTHERS THAT CAN ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS, ARMY CORPS ARE GOING TO BE THERE SO PEOPLE CAN COME AND TALK-STORY ONE-ON-ONE. I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT, WE HAVE BEEN MOVING SMALL STEPS FORWARD. >> MY CONCERN IS MORE FUNDAMENTAL I WILL JUST SAY IT AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO RESPOND, MY CONCERN IS THAT THE ADMINISTRATION CAN DO THIS WITHOUT THE COUNCIL APPROVAL. NEXT QUESTION, PRO TEM KAMA THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE, MS.\r\n\r\nWADE. YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE CULTURAL MONITORS ON-SITE THROUGHOUT THIS WHOLE PROCESS. SO HOW MANY CULTURAL MONITORS DO YOU HAVE? AND WHO ARE THEY? >> ERIN. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THE CULTURAL MONITORS ARE BEING HIRED THROUGH THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS.\r\n\r\nTHEY'RE NOT AVAILABLE FOR THIS MEETING TODAY, BUT WE CAN GET YOU A RESPONSE TO THAT AND THAT CONTRACT WOULD BE THROUGH THEM. >> AND THE FUNDING IS COMING FROM >> THE FUNDING IS COMING FROM FEMA. >> THANK YOU ANYBODY ELSE? MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. GOOD MORNING, MS. WADE, THANK YOU FOR COMING OUT.\r\n\r\nSO MY QUESTION ON OUTREACH. I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU SAID YOU ARE HOLDING OFF A BIT. YOU KNOW, I AM HEARING FROM A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT THEY ARE NOT AWARE OF THIS, THEY WEREN'T -- SO THIS -- THIS PAMPHLET HERE HAS BEEN PASSED OUT IN WEST MAUI? AND CAN YOU KIND OF SPEAK TO THE OTHER OUTREACH THAT YOU PLAN TO

HAVE? >> ERIN. >> THANK YOU. THANKS FOR THE QUESTION.\r\n\r\nTHIS MORNING WE DID START THE PROCESS OF DOING A VIDEO SERIES, KIND OF LIKE AN ACADEMY TO SHOW WHAT DOES THE DEBRIS REMOVAL PROCESS LOOK LIKE THAT CAN BE ACCESSIBLE TO EVERYONE. WE'LL MAKE THIS AVAILABLE AT ALL THE DISASTER RESOURCE CENTERS. WE ALSO HAVE A POSTCARD IN PRODUCTION. EACH OF THE PROPERTIES THEMSELVES WHEN THE EPA COMPLETES THE DEBRIS REMOVAL, THERE'S A SIGN PLACED AT THE PROPERTY THAT STATES THAT YOU HAVE TO CHOOSE A PATH, YOU HAVE TO CHOOSE EITHER TO GO WITH A GOVERNMENT PROGRAM OR TO SELECT GOING WITH AN ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM BOO YOU CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH DEBRIS REMOVAL FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY REASONS. SO THERE'S EDUCATION AT THE PROPERTY ITSELF AND THEN THERE'S THAT WE'RE OFFERING IN MULTIPLE LOCATIONS AND LIKE TO SCHEDULE 70-100 MEETINGS OVER THE COMING MONTH-AND-A-HALF TO ENSURE THAT WE'RE MEETING PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE AND GIVING THEM THE INFORMATION THAT THEY NEED AND I THINK COUNCIL MEMBER SUGIMURA WOULD TELL YOU THAT HEARING FROM THE SUBJECT-MATTER EXPERTS THEMSELVES IS VERY VALUABLE. YOU KNOW, I'M GETTING UP TO SPEED JUST LIKE THE REST OF US ARE, BUT WE HAVE GOT FOLKS TO DRAW FROM WHO HAVE BEEN UNFORTUNATELY THROUGH THIS MANY TIMES BEFORE AND KNOW HOW TO MAKE SURE WE DO THIS EFFICIENTLY AND TO THE STANDARDS HAD A HEALTH AND SAFETY CAN BE PROTECTED. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU, CHAIR. >> MEMBER COOK. >> THANK YOU, MS. WADE. MY CLARIFYING QUESTION. >> A LITTLE CLOSER. >> MY CLARIFYING QUESTION IS HOW FROM YOUR EXPERIENCE IN WORKING WITH THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS HOW MUCH MANPOWER AND EQUIPMENT DO THEY HAVE AVAILABLE BECAUSE OF THE MAGNITUDE OF WHAT THEY WILL BE DEALING WITH?\r\n\r\nLIKE TALKING ABOUT THE GULCHES AND LARGE LOGS AND OLINDA AND THE MORE, ENVIRONMENT IN LAHAINA. WHAT IS THE RESOURCES AND HAS THAT BEEN DISCUSSED AS A POTENTIAL AND HOW DOES THAT WORK WITH THE TIMELINE. >> ERIN. >> THANK YOU. THANKS FOR THE QUESTION. I WOULD LIKE TO ALLOW COLE GLENNWRIGHT TO ANSWER BECAUSE HE SEEN THIS OPERATION UNFOLD PREVIOUSLY AND I KNOW THEY HAVE TONS OF RESOURCES TO PULL FROM. SO I WILL ALLOW, IF YOU WANT TO ASK.\r\n\r\n>> DO YOU WANT TO ASK THE RESOURCE PERSON? A QUESTION? >> YES, HE IS GOING TO COME AFTERWARD ANY WAY. >> HE IS RIGHT HERE. ARE YOU GOING TO SPEAK AFTER HER? >> YES. >> OKAY.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. MAHALO, MS. WADE FOR COMING. WE HAVE BEEN GETTING CALLS ABOUT THE DUST AND THE POSSIBLE HEALTH EFFECTS AND WOULD THE OWNERS HAVE AN OPTION OF USING A MORE NATURAL OPTION? >> ERIN. >> THANK YOU. AGAIN, I WILL LET COLE RESPOND.\r\n\r\nTHE EPA IS OFFERING AN OPTION, A SOIL TACKIFIER THAT WOULD REDUCE DUST AND WE HEARD THAT AT KULA MEETING AND MOST FOLKS WERE EXCITED ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITY TO REDUCE DUSTS. AGAIN, I WOULD LOVE TO HAVE THE EXPERTS COME AND TALK TO YOU EXACTLY ABOUT WHAT THAT INCLUDES AND IF THAT OPPORTUNITY PRESENTS ITSELF. >> THANK YOU. >> I CAN READ MEMBER UU-HODGINS' MIND. HER QUESTION IS CAN YOU SEPARATE THE UP COUNTRY AND WEST MAUI? >> THE QUESTION IS IN TERMS OF SCOPE OF WORK? IS THAT WHAT YOU ARE ASKING, THE SCOPE?\r\n\r\nSO IT'S THE ENTIRE THING. >> THE ORDINANCE? >> OH, THE ORDINANCE. THAT HASN'T BEEN ASKED. I WOULD HAVE TO ASK CORP. COUNSEL IF THAT COULD BE DONE? >> I THINK WE HAVE A LITTLE DIFFERENT CIRCUMSTANCES, LIKE IN WEST MAUI.\r\n\r\n>> CHAIR, POINT OF ORDER? WE'RE STILL IN PUBLIC TESTIMONY. >> I'M ASKING HER A QUESTION, A CLARIFYING QUESTION. >> I KNOW, THAT IS NOT CLARIFYING. NONE OF THESE QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN CLARIFYING CHAIR. >> WOULD YOU LIKE TO ASK THEM A QUESTION? >> I WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU A QUESTION.\r\n\r\n>> SURE. >> THE NEXT TESTIFIER THAT COMES UP, CAN WE HOLD QUESTIONS, BECAUSE I CAN GUARANTEE IT WON'T BE CLARIFYING UNTIL THE ITEM COMES UP. >> SURE, WE COULD DO THIS, I'M JUST TRYING TO MOVE THIS ALONG, AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> MAYBE WE COULD ASK IF ERIN AND WHOEVER COULD BE RESOURCES WHEN IT COMES UP? WE'RE ACTUALLY DOING COMMITTEE WORK IN COUNCIL. >> DURING PUBLIC TESTIMONY.\r\n\r\n>> YES, WE ARE. >> SO WE COULD ASK THEM IF THEY COULD BE RESOURCES. >> MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO HEARING RESOURCE PERSONS WHEN THIS ITEM COMES UP WILL YOU BE AVAILABLE, ERIN? FOR NOW, DO YOU HAVE ANY CLARIFYING QUESTIONS? I GUESS NOT. THANK YOU. WHO IS THE NEXT TESTIFIER.\r\n\r\n>> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS COLE GLENNWRIGHT, TESTIFYING ON BILL 86. >> GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIR, CS MY NAME IS COLE GLENNWRIGHT THE CHAIR FOR DEBRIS OPERATIONS



FOR CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND FROM MY TEAM TO YOUR WITH THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND TO SAY ON BEHALF OF ALL IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, WE'RE SO SORRY FOR THE LOSS EXPERIENCED IN YOUR COMMUNITY. OUR MISSION HERE AND I WAS ASKED TO BRIEFLY INTRODUCE MYSELF AND MAKE MYSELF AVAILABLE AS A RESOURCE. OUR MISSION IS TO SHARE LESSONS-LEARNED AND BEST PRACTICES TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY APPLY FROM WHAT IS, UNFORTUNATELY, BEEN A CATASTROPHIC FIRES IN CALIFORNIA AND THE SPECIFIC TEST OF THE ORDINANCE AND BILL ALONG WITH THE PROCESS MIRRORS CLOSELY THE PROCESS THAT BUTTE COUNTY USED IN THE TOWN OF PARADISE, ALONG WITH MANY OTHER SUCCESSFUL RECOVERIES THAT CITY OF SANTA ROSA IN SONOMA COUNTY AND UNFORTUNATELY THIS IS A BIT OF A TESTED PROCESS PRACTICABLE AND WITH DEEP RESPECT. ORDINANCE AND BILL RATHER SPEAKS TO BOTH THE PUBLIC PROGRAM AND THE ALTERNATE PROGRAM. AND I JUST WANTED TO PROVIDE PERHAPS A BIT OF CONTEXT FROM CALIFORNIA'S EXPERIENCE. THAT THE ALTERNATE PROGRAM, WHICH IS THE PROGRAM THROUGH WHICH PROPERTY OWNERS CHOOSE NOT TO USE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S PROGRAM AND USUALLY REPRESENTS A SMALL MINORITY IN CALIFORNIA, SEEING ROUGHLY 15% OF PROPERTY OWNERS CHOOSE TO GO WITH THE ALTERNATE. WE TRADITIONALLY SEE FOLKS OPT FOR THAT PROGRAM IF THEY ARE PERHAPS WELL-INSURED COMMERCIAL ENTITY AND THEIR INSURER MAY HAVE A CONTRACTOR ON STANDBY FOR THIS SORT OF WORK OR FOR A LITANY OF REASONS THEY WANT A BIT MORE CONTROL OVER THE PROCESS.

I WILL SAY, HOWEVER, I HAVE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF OVERSEEING DEBRIS REMOVAL OPERATIONS IN DIVERSE PARTS OF CALIFORNIA FROM EVERY FROM THE CITY OF MALIBU TO MUCH LESS AFFLUENT PLACES AND ACROSS THE BOARD WILDLIFE SURVIVORS FIND THAT THE CONSOLIDATED DEBRIS REMOVAL PROGRAM WHETHER OPERATED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IS THE RIGHT FIT ALMOST ACROSS THE ECONOMIC SCALE AND LEVELS OF INSURANCE. THE BILL SPEAKS TO THE PROCESS OF WHICH FOLKS CHOOSE NOT TO ADDRESS THE DEBRIS IN A LAWFUL MANNER COULD BE SUBJECT TO SOME SORT OF FORCED REMOVAL OR ABATEMENT CLEAN UP. YOU KNOW, INVARIABLY IN CALIFORNIA WE GET A GREAT DEAL OF QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS ABOUT THAT, BUT ALSO INVARIABLY IT'S A VERY, VERY SMALL PERCENTAGE OF FOLKS THAT FIND THEMSELVES IN THAT CATEGORY. AS I MENTIONED I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING AS INCIDENT COMMANDER FOR PART OF THE CAMPFIRE RESPONSE, BEFORE WE CLEANED UP JUST UNDER 11,000 INDIVIDUAL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES THAT WERE DESTROYED BY BETWEEN THE TOWN OF PARADISE AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES. WE TOOK UNDER 100 FOLKS THROUGH THE PROCESS. >> WE'LL PROBABLY ASK YOU TO BE A RESOURCE PERSON. CLARIFYING QUESTION MEMBERS?

MEMBER PRO TEM. >> YOU MENTIONED IN YOUR TESTIMONY YOU WORKED WITH DIVERSE GROUPS AND COMMUNITIES HAVE YOU EVER WORKED WITH INDIG MOUSE GROUPS? >> YES, ABSOLUTELY. SO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IS HOME TO EXTENSIVE SET OF FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED AND NON-FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBES AND OUR DEBRIS REMOVAL PROGRAM THINGS THEM IN AS INTAL PARTNERS IN PART OF THE INCIDENT MANAGEMENT. . >> THANK YOU. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> MEMBER SINENCI.

THANK YOU, CHAIR. MY QUESTION WAS SO IF PEOPLE OPT-OUT OF THE PROGRAM, LIKE, SAY FOR INSTANCE NOT USING THE -- POINT OF ORDER, CHAIR? >> YES. >> WE ASKED FOR HIM TO BE A RESOURCE PERSON AND COULD WE HOLD QUESTIONS UNTIL THIS ITEM COMES UP? >> MEMBER SINENCI, CAN YOU WAIT ON YOUR QUESTION? >> YES. >> HE IS GOING TO STAY?

PARDON ME? >> HE IS GOING TO STAY. >> YES, HE ALREADY SAID YOU ARE GOING TO BE A RESOURCE PERSON? >> YES, I WILL AVAILABLE THE REST OF THE MEETING AS REQUESTED BY COUNTY STAFF. >> WHAT IS YOUR LAST NAME AGAIN >> GLENNWRIGHT. >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> TO BE A RESOURCE PERSON.

WE'LL TRY TO CALL YOU SHORTLY. >> THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU, MR. SINENCI. ALL RIGHT, WHO IS NEXT TESTIFIER? >> CHAIR THERE'S NO ONE ELSE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY. IF THERE'S ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY, PLEASE IDENTIFY YOURSELF AT THIS TIME.

COUNTDOWN, 3, 2, 1. THERE ARE NO TESTIFIERS, CHAIR MECHANICS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO CLOSING PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND ACCEPTING WRITTEN TESTIMONY FOR THE BILLS IN SECTION M? >> NO OBJECTION. >> SO ORDERED. LET'S GO THROUGH THIS QUICKLY, HOW IS THAT? ALL RIGHT. MADAM CLERK. >> CHAIR, BEFORE YOU IS BILL 55-202 A BILLION FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3.7 MAUI COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE RULE FOR THE MOLOKA'I FARMING COST REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM FUND. >> MEMBER



JOHNSON.\r\n\r\n>> I MOVE TO DISCHARGE COMMITTEE SECOND. >> MOVED BY MEMBER JOHNSON, SECOND BY VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA TO DISCHARGE THIS ITEM, BILL 55 FROM THE ADEPT COMMITTEE. DISCUSSION, MEMBER JOHNSON? >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. MEMBERS DUE TO THE VOLUME IN COMMITTEE WORK FOLLOWING THE AUGUST 8TH FIRES I WOULD LIKE TO DISCHARGE MY COUNTY OF THIS ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED ON FIRST PASSAGE TODAY. >> EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE DISCHARGE, RAISE YOUR HAND, SAY AYE?\r\n\r\n>> AYE. >> NINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES. MEMBER SINENCI. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. MOVE TO WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT OF COMMITTEE REFERRAL AND REPORT UNDER RULE 7G OF THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL AS IT RELATES TO BILL 55 (2023) . >> SECOND. >> MOVED BY MEMBER SINENCI, SECONDED BY MEMBER JOHNSON TO WAIVE THE RULES OF THE COMMITTEE. DISCUSSION ON THE WAIVER?\r\n\r\nMEMBER SINENCI. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THIS IS AN ITEM, CHAIR, THAT DOESN'T REQUIRE DISCUSSION AND PART OF A GENERAL EFFORT TO MAKE OUR OPERATIONS MORE EFFICIENT. ACTION ON THIS BILL TODAY, MEMBERS, WILL KEEP COMMITTEE TIME AVAILABLE FOR ITEMS RELATED TO DISASTER RESPONSE. >> ANY MORE DISCUSSION? IF NOT, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE RAISE YOUR HAND, SAY AYE? >> AYE.\r\n\r\n>> ALL AYES, ZERO NOS. MOTION CARRIES MR. SINISI THANK YOU, CHAIR. MOVE TO PASS BILL 55 (2023) ON FIRST READING. >> SECOND. >> MOVED BY MEMBER SINENCI, SECONDED BY MEMBER KAMA TO PASS ON FIRST READING THE DISCUSSION, MEMBER SINENCI. >> THANK YOU, CHERAW.\r\n\r\nTHIS BILL IS PART OF THE LARGER PROCESS OF MOVING AGRICULTURAL GRANTS FROM THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE. THIS BILL SIMPLY MOVES THE DUTY TO CREATE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR THE MOLOKA'I COST REIMBURSEMENT FROM OED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE. BOTH THE OED DIRECTOR MAHI, AS WELL AS DIRECTOR KALI IS IN SUPPORT KALI ARCE IN SUPPORT OF THIS BILL. I RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR THE MEMBERS' SUPPORT. >> MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. I SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THE AND MOVE TO AMENDMENT SECTION 3 TO THIS ORDINANCE TO READ "THIS ORDINANCE TAKES, EFFECT ON NOVEMBER 15TH, 2023. >> SECOND.\r\n\r\n>> MOVED BY MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. SECONDED BY MEMBER SINENCI TO CHANGE THE DATE OF EFFECTIVE -- EFFECTIVE DATE. ANY DISCUSSION? DISCUSSION IN MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. THIS PROGRAM HAS BEEN MANAGED BY THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND IN SPEAKING BOTH WITH THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, THEY REALLY JUST NEEDED A MONTH TO TRANSITION THE MANAGEMENT CLOSING OUT, I BELIEVE FOUR MORE GRANT APPLICATIONS. AND SO I THINK TWO MONTHS WOULD BE A GOOD AMOUNT OF TIME TO PROVIDE THEM THAT TIME TO TRANSITION.\r\n\r\nTHAT IS THE PURPOSE FOR THE AMENDMENT. MAHALO CHAIR. >> ANY MORE DISCUSSION ON THE AMENDMENT? IF NOT, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE AMENDMENT, RAISE YOUR HAND, SAY AYE? >> AYE. >> NINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES. NOW THE MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED -- MEMBER SINENCI.\r\n\r\nTHE MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED. ANY MORE DISCUSSION? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, RAISE YOUR HAND, SAY AYE? MAIN MOTION. >> AYE. >> AS AMENDED. >> AYE.\r\n\r\n>> ALL AYES, ZERO NOS. MOTION CARRIES. MS. CLERK. >> CHAIR, BEFORE YOU IS BILL 75 (2023) (A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3.48.230 MAUI COUNTY CODE RELATING TO DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION BY DISASTERS. >> MEMBER PALTIN. >> I MOVE TO WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT OF COMMITTEE REFERRAL AND REPORT UNDER RULE 7G OF THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL AS IT RELATES TO BILL 85 (2023). >> MOVED BY MEMBER PALTIN, SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA TO WAIVE THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL -- RULE 7G. DISCUSSION, MEMBER PALTIN.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. MEMBERS THIS BILL IS A HOUSEKEEPING ISSUE THAT WOULD ASSIST WITH THE ONGOING WILDFIRE EMERGENCY AND THE WAIVER TODAY IS APPROPRIATE. THANK YOU. >> MY MORE DISCUSSION? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE POSSESSION, RAISE YOUR HAND, SAY AYE? >> AYE. >> MINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES MEMBER PALTIN ARGUE THAT.\r\n\r\n\r\nI MOVE TO PASS BILL 85 (2023) ON FIRST READING. >> SECOND. >> MOVED BY MEMBER PALTIN AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA TO PASS BILL 85 ON FIRST READING DISCUSSION, MEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU, MEMBERS. THIS AMENDMENTS THE MAUI COUNTY CODE TO ALLOW THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO CONDITIONALLY REMIT TAXES DUE ON A PROPERTY IF THE REAL PROPERTY WAS DAMAGED BY A HURRICANE, FIRE OR ANOTHER DISASTER DEFINED BY STATE LAW. I RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR THE COUNCIL MEMBERS' SUPPORT OF THE

MOTION. THANK YOU.\r\n\r\n>> ANY MORE DISCUSSION? IF NOT, ALL THOSE IF FAVOR OF THE MOTION, RAISE YOUR HAND, SAY AYE? >> AYE. >> NINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES. MS. CLERK. TWO MORE TO GO.\r\n\r\n>> CHAIR, FOR REFERRAL TO YOUR DISASTER, RESILIENCE, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, AND PLANNING COMMITTEE, BILL 86 (2023) A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO MAUI WILDFIRES DEBRIS REMOVAL. >> THIS IS -- OKAY. THIS WOULD BE BFED. >> OKAY. >> VICE-CHAIR, WHAT DO YOU MEAN OKAY? >> THIS IS DRIP, BUT I'LL TAKE IT. >> DRIP.\r\n\r\nMEMBER PALTIN. >> CHAIR, I'LL TAKE IT. I'M JUST SAYING THAT I'M NOT A NINE-MEMBER COMMITTEE. >> VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> SO WHATEVER THE BODY WANTS TO DO, BUT I HAVE AN URGENCY TO HEAR THIS, IF IT GETS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE. I REALLY HOPE YOU GET THE RESOURCES TO COME HERE TO ANSWER SOME OF THE QUESTIONS. I THINK IT WAS AN INITIAL GOOD DISCUSSION WITH ERIN, AND MR.\r\n\r\n-- I WANT TO SAY CART WRIGHT, GOOD RIGHT. >> GLENNWRIGHT. >> ONE OF THOSE WRIGHTS. >> MR. HOPPER HELPED TO WRITE THIS BILL AND I FEEL THE URGENCY TO HAVE THIS DISCUSSION AND OF COURSE, LAHAINA HASN'T HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR IT. PIT DOES COME TO MY COMMITTEE, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK CHAIR, IF YOU WOULD ALLOW ME TO CALL A SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING NEXT WEEK? AND THAT HAPPEN.\r\n\r\n>> FOR ME, YES, BUT I THINK SOME PEOPLE ARE GOING TO HSAC. CAN YOU RAISE YOUR HAND IF YOU ARE GOING TO HSAC? >> OH, PLENTY. >> FIVE. >> WHEN DOES HSAC START? >> WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY. >> I WONDER IF -- MONDAY IS GREAT.\r\n\r\nSO DO YOU THINK TAMARA, IF WE TRIED TO HAVE IT? >> I WOULD SCHEDULE IT AT MY NEXT MEETING. IF THAT IS SUFFICIENT? IF IT'S NOT SUFFICIENT, >> WHEN IS YOUR NEXT MEETING? >> IS IT THE 27TH? NO. THEN WE HAVE GREAT ON THE 27TH.\r\n\r\nOH, I GAVE THAT TO GREAT. WHEN IS YOUR NEXT MEETING? >> MY OFFICIAL NEXT MEETING IS OCTOBER 3RD, WHEN I HAD -- ANYWAY. >> WELL, IS IT POSSIBLE TO STAND BY TO GIVE UP THEIR MEETING FOR BFED? >> I'M NOT HAVING ONE ON THE 26TH, BECAUSE WE GAVE IT TO THE 29TH TO YOU; RIGHT? RIGHT. >> WHEN ARE YOU FOLKS COMING BACK?\r\n\r\n\r\nWEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY. >> MEMBER JOHNSON. >> IN A TIME OF CRISIS, I'M WILLING TO MOVE FORWARD AS FAST AS WE POSSIBLY CAN. JUST ASKING THE MEMBERS AND SPECIFICALLY COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN, BECAUSE SHE HAS BOOTS ON THE GROUND. IF WE PASS IT ON FIRST READING AND WITHIN THE TIME FOR SECOND READING WE GO OUT AND INITIATE FOLKS AND LET THEM KNOW TO TESTIFY ON SECOND READING. I JUST -- I KIND OF WANT TO HAVE A SENSE OF URGENCY, AND IF WE'RE NOT GOING TO SCHEDULE THIS UNTIL WE'RE GETTING INTO OCTOBER, THAT IS MY CONCERN. >> OKAY.\r\n\r\n\r\nSO ALREADY WE SEE THAT MEMBER PALTIN IS NOT INCLINED TO DO THAT. MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. SO IN TESTIMONY, WE HEARD THAT IT'S A VERY SMALL AMOUNT OF PEOPLE THAT WILL OPT FOR THIS NON-GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE ALTERNATIVE, AND THAT IS WHAT THIS BILL IS. AS I UNDERSTAND IT FROM TESTIMONY ONLY. I HAVEN'T DONE ANY DEEP-DIVE AND I'M NOT AN EXPERT ON THIS. IT SOUNDS LIKE SOME OF THE RELUCTANCE FOR WEST MAUI AND IF UP COUNTRY IS WANTING TO MOVE FORWARD, PERHAPS WE CAN ASK CORP.\r\n\r\n\r\nCOUNSEL, IF THERE'S A WAY TO JUST CHANGE THE PARAMETERS FOR IT TO JUST BE FOR UP COUNTRY FOR NOW, UNTIL WEST MAUI HAS AN OPPORTUNITY THE COMMUNITY HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE BILL, AND UNDERSTAND THE IMPLICATIONS? AND I SEE MR. HOPPER. DEPUTY CORP. COUNSEL HOPPER. CHAIR, THERE'S NO MOTION ON THE FLOOR, AND WE'RE NOT FOLLOWING ANY PROCEDURE RIGHT NOW. SHALL WE SUSPEND OUR RULES SO WE CAN CONTINUE DISCUSSING FEEL FREELY?\r\n\r\n\r\n>> YES, THAT IS A GOOD IDEA. MEMBERS, LET'S SUSPEND, ANY OBJECTION TO SUSPENDING THE RULES? BECAUSE I'M NOT GOING TO GIVE EACH ONE-TWO MINUTES TWO TIMES TO SPEAK. >> CHAIR, I DON'T MOAN MEAN ALL OF THE RULES. THERE'S ROBERT'S RULES AND I HAVEN'T MEMORIZED THAT NUMBER. I KNOW YOU ARE DISAPPOINTED, BUT ROBERT'S RULES SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT AND WE CAN ASK OUR PARLIAMENTARIAN OR DIRECTOR. >> TO MAKE IT SIMPLE, ANY OBJECTION TO SUSPENDING ALL THE RULES.\r\n\r\n\r\n>> TOTAL CHAOS. >> UNLESS YOU WANT TO BE CONFINED, IT WOULD TAKE ALL DAY. MR. HOPPER. COULD WE SEPARATE THE TWO AREAS JUST SO BIFURCATE., >> WELL NOT SEPARATE. COULD WE MAKE THIS BILL SPECIFIC TO UP COUNTRY FOR NOW? >> I WOULD HAVE A FEW CONCERNS WITH THAT, AND PERHAPS THE GROUP THAT HAS WORKED ON THAT COULD ADD TO THAT AS WELL.\r\n\r\n\r\nONE OF THE ISSUES IS THAT WHILE WORK MIGHT NOT BE READY TO MOVE FORWARD WITH LAHAINA, THE RIGHT-OF-ENTRY COLLECTION PROCESS IS GOING TO BE VERY EXTENSIVE FOR THAT, AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS

THAT FEMA AND ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS NEED TO HAVE A AMOUNT OF THOSE EXECUTED BEFORE THEY CAN MOVE FORWARD. NOW YES, ONE OF THE ASPECTS OF THIS BILL IS TO ESTABLISH THE ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM, BUT SECTION 5 IS ENTITLED "REMOVAL OF STRUCTURAL DEBRIS AND HAZARDS THROUGH THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM." IT GOES OVER THE RIGHT-OF-ENTRY COLLECTION PROCESS, AND IT TALKS ABOUT A DEPARTMENT TO DO THAT, AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE. NOW WITHOUT THAT IN PLACE, THERE'S ALSO A STATEMENT THAT SAYS "ANY RIGHT-OF-ENTRY AGREEMENT EXECUTED PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE IN A FORM APPROVED BY THE COUNTY IS CONSIDERED ENROLLED IN THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM." SO THAT IS TO DEAL WITH RIGHT-OF-ENTRY EXECUTED PRIOR TO DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE, AND SO WE DON'T NECESSARILY SEE NOT HAVING THIS ACTED ON, STOPPING THE RIGHT-OF-ENTRY PROCESS. BUT I THINK IT WOULD BE ME LOOKING AT THE COUNTY CODE, I WOULD WANT A CLEAR PROCESS AND THIS IS MODELED AFTER WHAT OTHER JURISDICTIONS HAVE DONE IN THESE SITUATIONS A CLEAR PROCESS OF DEBRIS REMOVAL DEALT WITH COMPREHENSIVELY INCLUDING THE BOX PROGRAM. SO THIS IS MAKING CLEAR THERE'S A GOVERNMENT PROGRAM AND THERE'S AN ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM. SO I WOULD HAVE POTENTIALLY SOME RESERVATIONS ABOUT SEPARATING THEM OUT. IT COULD BE POSSIBLE TO HAVE TWO DIFFERENT ONES, ALTHOUGH I WOULD WANT PERHAPS THE GROUP TO TALK ABOUT THAT?

BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY IT'S THE SAME FOLKS DOING THE DEBRIS REMOVAL AND THEY ARE HERE TO DO THAT. SO THEY MAY HAVE SOME COMMENT ON THAT? THIS WAS DESIGNED AS TO DEAL WITH ALL OF THE DEBRIS REMOVAL CREATED BY THE FIRESS AS DESCRIBED THEREIN. >> MAHALO, DEPUTY CORP. COUNSEL. I WILL YIELD TO MY COLLEAGUES. CHAIR, MAHALO.

BEFORE CALLING YOU, MR. HOPPER, ONE OF OUR -- WELL, MY CONCERN IS THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES ARE DIFFERENT GEOGRAPHICALLY. AND THERE WERE NO FATALITIES UP COUNTRY EITHER. SO THE ISSUE OF ASHES, AND REMAINS ARE DIFFERENT IF BOTH CASES. AND I THINK THE UP COUNTRY FOLKS WHO ARE ABLE TO RETURN ALREADY TO THEIR PROPERTIES IS IT TRUE? >> I UNDERSTAND THAT IS TRUE, ALTHOUGH THE DEBRIS REMOVAL, I THINK IS A BIT DIFFERENT OF A DIFFERENT ISSUE THAN THE ACCESS TO PROPERTY FOR RE-ENTRY. I COULD HAVE THE FOLKS -- >> MR. GLENNWRIGHT, DO YOU WANT MR. GLENNWRIGHT TO COME DOWN? >> ALL OF OUR RESOURCES, CHAIR? >> AND THE OTHER PERSON. THE OTHER PERSON. OKAY. >> AS THEY COME DOWN, CHAIR.

WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH CHAIRS. >> AS THEY COME DOWN, CHAIR, I WOULD WANT TO CLARIFY, ABSOLUTELY NOT DISPUTING THERE'S A DRASTIC DIFFERENCE IN THEM, BUT I DON'T KNOW IF THROUGH FEDERAL LAW, AND THE PROGRAM IF THE PROGRAM ITSELF AS FAR AS HOW IT WOULD BE DEALT WITH IN THE ORDINANCE WOULD GENERALLY BE DIFFERENT. >> MY CONCERN AND I WILL MAKE IT REAL QUICK IS THAT THE FOLKS UP COUNTRY HAD THE ADVANTAGE OF GOING BACK TO THEIR PROPERTIES ALREADY, AND THAT IS WHY THEY ARE MORE INCLINED, AND MORE READY TO MOVE FORWARD ON THIS PROGRAM. DIFFERENT IN WEST MAUI. MANY PEOPLE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GO BACK YET. SO IT'S GOING TO TAKE THEM A LITTLE BIT MORE TIME; RIGHT? I WOULD THINK.

YES. THAT COULD BE TRUE. BUT HAVING THE ORDINANCE IN PLACE WOULD STILL -- THERE WOULD BE A TIME FRAME FOR ENROLLMENT IN BOTH OF THOSE, AND EDUCATION. SO THE ORDINANCE WOULDN'T NECESSARILY, THAT I WOULD SEE ANYWAY, LOOK DRASTICALLY DIFFERENT BETWEEN THE TWO AREAS. EVEN THOUGH THE CLEAN-UP WOULD BE DIFFERENT. I DON'T KNOW IF THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS -- THAT IS ULTIMATELY OF COURSE UP TO THE COUNCIL. BUT AS FAR AS MY DRAFTING OF THE ORDINANCE AND REVIEW OF THE REQUIREMENTS, THAT WOULD NECESSARILY BE DIFFERENT.

MR. JOHN SECOND-DOWN AND VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU CHAIR., SECTION 9 SAYS THIS ORDINANCE TAKES EFFECT UPON APPROVAL. COULD WE AMEND TO SAY THAT THIS ORDINANCE TAKES EFFECT UPON APPROVAL IN KULA AND IF WE'RE GOING TO DO FOR A LONGER TIME FOR LAHAINA, WE COULD JUST ADD FOR LAHAINA AT A LATER POINT? >> MR. HOPPER. >> WE PROBABLY HAVE TO MAKE OTHER AMENDMENTS, BECAUSE -- TOGETHER, THIS HAS STATEMENTS -- OTHER THAN JUST CHANGING THAT, WE PROBABLY NEED TO CHANGE SOME MORE THINGS.

I SUPPOSE IT COULD BE POSSIBLE, BUT I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S CONCERN FROM THE LARGER GROUP WORKING ON THIS TO HAVE ACTUALLY A SEPARATE ORDINANCE FOR BOTH AREAS? IT COULD BE POSSIBLE. YOU WOULD HAVE TO DO SOME MORE WORK. >> I LIKE POSSIBLE, BECAUSE I CAN'T SEE -- WRITING IN HERE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE THAT LAHAINA, AND COULD YOU JUST TAKE IT AFFECTS IN

KULA AND OLINDA? THANK YOU. >> WE COULD LOOK AT DOING AMENDMENTS ALONG THOSE LINES. >> I THINK YOU ANSWERED ALREADY, IT'S POSSIBLE.\r\n\r\nMEMBER SUGIMURA. >> THAT WAS GOING TO BE MY QUESTION. >> OKAY. PRO TEM KAMA. MEMBER PALTIN AND PRO TEM KAMA. >> I'M OKAY WITH IT BEING KULA AND OLINDA, THE 25TH AND 26TH LOOK WIDE OPEN AND I DON'T THINK WE CAN DO NEXT TUESDAY BECAUSE OF THE POSTING DEADLINE. NEXT MONDAY/TUESDAY IS OKAY, IF IT'S OKAY WITH OTHERS FOR LAHAINA'S TO START OUTREACH? \r\n\r\nI MEAN, WE WOULD START OUTREACH BEFORE THE 25TH AND 26TH, BUT TO HAVE INPUT FROM THEM. >> VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> GOING BACK TO COMMITTEE REFERRAL. SO WAS IT TO COME TO MY COMMITTEE, A NINE-MEMBER COMMITTEE, I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE IT UP. I WASN'T -- THANK YOU FOR EDUCATING ME ABOUT THE TRAVEL FOR HSAC. BECAUSE I DECIDED NOT TO GO. BUT SO CHAIR, WOULD YOU ALLOW THIS TO HAPPEN ON THE 26TH?\r\n\r\n>> HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE GOING TO BE HERE? >> THEY ARE GOING TO BE BACK ALREADY. >> THEY WILL BE BACK ALREADY. >> THEY ARE COMING BACK NEXT WEEK FRIDAY. IT'S THE FOLLOWING WEEK, THE LAST WEEK OF THE MONTH. >> OKAY. EVERYBODY OKAY FOR THE 26TH?\r\n\r\nOKAY. ONLY ONE HAS A FROWN, MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> FLIGHTS. >> THAT IS KIND OF HARD FOR HER. YOU DON'T HAVE TO COME. YOU CAN JOIN ONLINE. >> YEAH.\r\n\r\nTHAT IS FINE. NO OBJECTION. CHAIR, SINCE I HAVE THE MIC, I KNOW WE HAVE SUSPENDED ALL RULES, BUT FOR THE RECORD, THE THIRD RESOURCE PERSON FOR THE RECORD. >> WHAT IS YOUR NAME AND TITLE? >> ALOHA. ZEF MCKEE, REPRESENTING HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY. I'M A DEBRIS OPERATIONS PLANNER FOR THE STATE.\r\n\r\nMAHALO. >> MAHALO, MR. MCKEE. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> ANYBODY ELSE ON THIS SIDE? MEMBER SINENCI? >> I JUST WANTED TO QUICKLY ASK MY QUESTION.\r\n\r\nIF SOME OF THE RESIDENTS OPT-OUT OF USING THE SUPPRESSIVE, WOULD THEY STILL HAVE TO PAY FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL? >> ERIN, OR WHO? MR. GLENNWRIGHT? >> GLENNWRIGHT? >> THANK YOU. I WILL DO BY BEST TO ANSWER THE QUESTION WITHOUT SPEAKING FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AND ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO USE TACKIFIER FOR DUST SUPPRESSION IS PHASE ONE OPERATION, WHICH THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY IS LEADING AND DIFFERS FROM THE BASED ON OPT IN/OPT-OUT COMPONENT TO THAT.\r\n\r\nSO THE EXTENT THAT TACKIFIER IS APPLIED MY KNOWLEDGE ON WHETHER THEY CHOOSE TO OPT INTO THE PHASE 2 PROGRAM THROUGH THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS DOES THAT ANSWER YOUR QUESTION, SIR? >> THE DEBRIS REMOVAL OF. >> CORRECT. >> AT A VERY HIGH-LEVEL PHASE 1 REFERS TO OPT-IN/OPT-OUT -- REMOVAL OF DEBRIS. >> MEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU. I HAVE BEEN ASKED MANY QUESTIONS, LIKE WHAT IF FOLKS DIDN'T REGISTER FOR FEMA?\r\n\r\nWOULD THEY STILL BE QUALIFIED TO GET THE ARMY CORPS OR WHATEVER YOU ARE TO REMOVE IT AND ALSO, THAT WHAT IF THEIR STONEWALL AROUND THIS HOUSE IS STILL INTACT. AT WHAT POINT WOULD THEY KNOW IF THEIR HOUSING HAD IS OKAY, WOULD YOU REMOVE THAT? HO WOULD YOU GO WHAT ABOUT KNOWING WHAT IS THAT YOU ARE GOING TO REMOVE FROM THE PROPERTY AND WHAT YOU ARE NOT GOING REMOVE FROM THE PROPERTY? >> THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTIONS. I WILL DO MY BEST TO ANSWER IN THE INTEREST OF CLARITY I'M HERE AS AN ADVISOR FROM STATE OF CALIFORNIA. SO I HAVE NO OPERATIONAL CONTROL OVER THESE, AND THE DECISIONS, I THINK ALL THE DECISIONS YOU REFERENCED ARE RESTING WITH THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, WHO IS OPERATING UNDER THE UNIFIED COMMAND BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII, MAUI COUNTY AND THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY. THE FIRST QUESTION OF WHETHER AN INDIVIDUAL MUST APPLY FOR FEMA?\r\n\r\nINDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE TO QUALIFY TO SUBMIT A RIGHT-OF-ENTRY FOR THE DEBRIS REMOVAL PROGRAM? THOSE TWO ARE DISTINCT AND SEPARATE AND NOT BEARING ON ONE OR THE OTHER AND PROFESSIONAL OPINION, FOLKS WOULD APPLY FOR BOTH, IF ELIGIBLE FOR BOTH, BUT THEY ARE SEPARATE AND DISTINCT PROGRAMS. TO YOUR QUESTION WHAT WILL BE RETAINED OR REMOVED DURING THE PROGRAM? I THINK IT'S PERHAPS A BIT RELATED TO OPINE ON THAT, EACH PARCEL WILL BE INDIVIDUALLY INSPECTED BY THE ARMY CORPS AND SCOPE OF WORK WITHIN THE BROAD APPROVAL FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY WILL BE SELECTED. GENERALLY SPEAKING, PRIVATE PROPERTY DEBRIS REMOVAL OPERATIONS LIKE THIS IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA INVOLVED THE REMOVAL OF ALL FIRE IMPACTED FOUNDATIONS, BASED ON THE SCIENCE SHOWN WHEN THAT TYPE OF FIRE BURNS ON A FOUNDATION FOR THAT PERIOD OF TIME, THEY WILL BE REMOVED. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THE

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO FOLLOW THAT APPROACH HERE AND REMOVE ALL BUILDING FOUNDATIONS. BUT AGAIN, I'M SPEAKING JUST BASED ON OUR EXPERIENCE IN CALIFORNIA, WHICH MAY DIFFER FROM WHAT HAPPENS HERE.

PERHAPS CAN DEFER THE QUESTION ON THE STONEWALLS TO MR. MCKEE WITH HI-EMA. >> CERTAINLY. SO STONEWALLS AND EXISTING STRUCTURES THAT APPEAR TO BE SOUND WILL NOT BE REMOVED, AS THEY WON'T BE ELIGIBLE FOR THAT ACCORDING TO FEMA'S DISTINCTION ON THAT. >> AND IF WE HAVE -- ARE ABLE TO HAVE A MEETING ON THE 25TH, OR THE 26TH, WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO HAVE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AS A RESOURCE? WE HAD EPA AT THE PARK ANSWERING QUESTIONS, MEETING WITH US, BUT I HAVE NEVER HAD AN OPPORTUNITY YET TO ASK ANY QUESTIONS OF THE ARMY CORPS. >> WE WOULD GLADLY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH THAT OPPORTUNITY.

AWESOME.

I HAVE A QUESTION FOR ERIN, OR MAYBE MR. GLENNWRIGHT, I'M NOT SURE. MR. GLENNWRIGHT MENTIONED SEVERAL AGENCIES. YOU HAVE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, FEMA AND SOMEBODY ELSE? WHO IS IN CHARGE?

THAT IS AN EXCELLENT QUESTION, CHAIR. ESSENTIALLY THIS DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY IS OPERATING PURSUANT TO THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, WHICH IS A FEDERAL POLICY WHEN REGULATES HOW THE STATES AND MAKES ITS WORK TOGETHER TO RESPOND TO DISASTERS. ON THE QUESTION OF DEBRIS REMOVAL SPECIFICALLY THE AGENCIES BETWEEN MAUI COUNTY, HI-EMA, AND FEMA HAVE FORMED A DEBRIS TASK FORCE, AN INTERAGENCY GROUP PROVIDING DIRECTION DOWN TO THE AGENCY TO PERFORM THE WORK. AT THE FEDERAL-LEVEL, WHERE THIS PROGRAM WILL BE ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY OPERATED BY FEDERAL AGENCIES AT THE STATE'S REQUEST, FEMA IS THE LEAD AGENCY FOR ALL DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY. SO THEY HAVE ISSUED MISSION ASSIGNMENTS TO SUPPLEMENT U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. >> WHO IS IN CHARGE AT THE FEDERAL-LEVEL, FEMA IS THE COORDINATING AGENCY. >> SO THIS OPERATION OF DEBRIS REMOVAL, WHO IS IN CHARGE?

FEMA. >> I DID HAVE A CALL FROM A LAHAINA RESIDENT, WHO NEEDED INFORMATION CALLED THE MAUI EOC, WHO WAS GIVEN A NUMBER IN FLORIDA FEMA NUMBER IN FLORIDA AND THE FEMA GUY IN FLORIDA GAVE HIM AN O'AHU NUMBER, HI-EMA, I SUPPOSE. HI-EMA GAVE HIM A FLORIDA NUMBER. SO IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO KNOW WHO IS IN CHARGE. THAT IS WHY OUR PEOPLE ARE SO FRUSTRATED, BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THE BUCK STOPS REALLY. >> I COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE. I WILL SHARE, CALIFORNIA'S EXPERIENCE HAS BEEN THAT WHILE FEMA IS HERE TO PROVIDE THE FEDERAL RESOURCES, IT'S PARAMOUNT THAT STATE AND LOCAL LEADERSHIP REMAIN ENGAGED AND IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT THROUGHOUT THIS PROCESS, BECAUSE THESE FEDERAL AGENCIES ARE HERE AT YOUR REQUEST TO HELP YOU AND NOT THE OTHER WAY AROUND.

THE ANSWER IS FEMA? >> TO BE CLEAR, FEMA, FLORIDA FEMA -- YOU DON'T KNOW? I'M SERIOUS, FEMA WHO? >> AGAIN, I WANT TO BE CAREFUL NOT TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE FEMA OR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HERE. BUT FEMA REGION 9 IS THE REGION WHICH IS RUNNING THIS OPERATION, THEY HAVE STAFF DEPLOYED TO BOTH HERE AND AT THE STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER IN O'AHU AND THEY ARE THE -- I BELIEVE MR. ROBERT FENTON IS THE CHIEF FEDERAL DISASTER RESPONSE COORDINATOR REGION 9 IS WITH A STATE? >> THIS STATE, CALIFORNIA AND A COUPLE OF OTHERS.

HE IS IN WHAT STATE? >> I'M NOT SURE WHAT STATE MR. FENTON IS. >> ANYBODY ELSE? MEMBER KAMA. >> SO CHAIR, JUST SO THAT I GET IT CLEAR IN MY HEAD, WE'RE GOING TO SEND THIS TO COMMITTEE. >> YES.

WHENEVER WE CAN. >> YES. >> WAS MR. HOPPER GOING TO WORK ON THE AMENDMENTS TO THIS BILL, SO THAT WHEN IT COMES BACK, THE ISSUE OF SEPARATING LAHAINA FROM KULA? >> WE REALLY DIDN'T VOTE ON IT, BUT MAYBE YOU CAN GIVE US AN IDEA IF THIS IS THE DIRECTION YOU WOULD LIKE CORP. COUNSEL TO GO IN? >> MR. HOPPER HAS HIS HAND UP. >> MR. HOPPER. >> COULD I HAVE JUST A SECOND TO HAVE A FEW COMMENTS ON THE ORDINANCE? YOU KNOW, SO THIS WAS -- I MEAN THIS IS MY FIRST GO AROUND WITH THIS NATURE AND IT WAS MODELED AFTER CALIFORNIA JURISDICTIONS AND OTHERS THAT HAVE USED THIS FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL IN THE PAST. AND A FEW QUESTIONS. ONE ON THE ENFORCEMENT PROCESS UNDER MAUI COUNTY CODE 9.32, THERE WOULD BE NUISANCE ABATEMENT OR FINES OR OTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION TAKEN ON PROPERTIES WITH DEBRIS ON THEM.

NOW UNDER THE COUNTY CODE WITHOUT ANY FURTHER CHANGES. NOW OF COURSE, THAT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN IN THESE SITUATIONS. BUT THAT IS ALLOWED UNDER CURRENT CODE. SO THE FINE

AMOUNTS WERE REALLY NOT ANY DIFFERENT THAN THE CODE. IT SAYS IN THIS ORDINANCE THAT IF A PROPERTY OWNER DOES NOT SIGN UP FOR EITHER THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM, OR THE ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM BY A CERTAIN DEADLINE ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT INVOLVED IN THAT, THEN THEY ARE SUBJECT TO ENFORCEMENT. NOT BEFORE THAT. SO AS FAR AS FINES.\r\n\r\nSO THAT IS AN IMPORTANT DISTINCTION. SO UNTIL THAT DEADLINE IS ESTABLISHED BY ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM HAS LAPSED, THAT IS WHY THE ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE KICK IN. SO IN THAT SENSE, THEY ARE MORE -- THEY ARE DIFFERENT THAN THE CURRENT CODE THAT YOU HAVE ON THE BOOKS FOR NUISANCE ABATEMENT. THE SECOND QUESTION IS HAVING THIS DONE AS PART OF THE EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION? THIS IS GOING TO BE AN ORDINANCE THAT WILL BE LOOKED AT TO BE IN PLACE FOR A SIGNIFICANT TIMING AND I UNDERSTAND THE REMOVAL PROCESS I UNDERSTAND IS GOING TO TAKE A LONG TIME. OVER A YEAR. IT'S HARD TO HAVE AN EXACT TIME.\r\n\r\nPOTENTIALLY LONGER THAN THE PROVISIONS OF THE DISASTER DECLARATION MAY BE IN EFFECT AND THIS IS THE APPROACH TAKEN IN OTHER PLACES AND AGAIN, WHAT IS RIGHT FOR OTHER PLACES DOESN'T ALWAYS -- ISN'T ALWAYS WHAT YOU WOULD DO ON MAUI. AS FAR AS HAVING THE COUNCIL ADOPT AN ORDINANCE, IT'S CALLED AN URGENCY ORDINANCE IN OTHER PLACES WHERE THERE ARE FIRES -- FIRE CLEAN UP TO DEAL WITH, AND THOSE ARE ADOPTED ON AN EMERGENCY BASIS BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. SO THAT WAS THE THOUGHT BEHIND DOING THIS AS WELL. HAVING REGULATIONS IN PLACE TO HAVE IT MADE CLEAR, HERE IS A GOVERNMENT PROGRAM. HERE IS AN ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM. HERE IS WHAT -- WHAT THEY INVOLVE, WHAT IS GOING TO BE RUNNING THEM? AND NOT HAVING THOSE IN PLACE WHILE THIS IS GOING ON WAS THE CONCERN.\r\n\r\nSO THAT WAS THE URGENCY. THE URGENCY WAS UP COUNTRY WAS READY TO GO, AND THE RIGHT-OF-ENTRY COLLECTION PROCESS FOR LAHAINA, BECAUSE THERE WERE SO MANY PEOPLE AFFECTED, AND SO MUCH WORK TO BE DONE, THAT THAT WAS -- THAT DUE TO THAT TIMING THAT WAS THE URGENCY BEHIND IT. YES, CERTAINLY, IDEALLY THERE WOULD BE MORE TIME TO DEAL WITH THAT, BUT THAT WAS THE THOUGHT BEHIND IT. SO JUST TO DEAL WITH THOSE COUPLE ISSUES IS THAT THE FINES ARE MODELED AFTER WHAT IS CURRENTLY IN THE CODE AND ENFORCEMENT. AND THE REASON YOU HAVE THAT AT SOME POINT IS THAT IF IT'S NOT -- IF THE DEBRIS IS NOT DEALT WITH EITHER THROUGH THE GOVERNMENT OR THE ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS, TO HAVE IT STAY THERE INDEFINITELY COULD BE EXTREMELY DANGEROUS. SO THAT IS THE REASON WHY AT SOME POINT THERE ARE ENFORCEMENT OPTIONS, BUT AS IT IS IN THE ORDINANCE, THERE'S A DEADLINE FOR APPLYING FOR THE STATE PROGRAM -- THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM FOR THE ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM THAT WOULD BE ESTABLISHED BY THE AGENCIES. IF AN OWNER DOESN'T ENROLL EITHER OF THOSE PROGRAMS BY THE ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM DEADLINE, THAT IS WHEN THE ENFORCEMENT COULD KICK IN.\r\n\r\nAND THAT IS THE REASON BEHIND THAT WAS BECAUSE IF YOU JUST HAVE THAT STAY INDEFINITELY, THAT IS -- THAT CAN BE VERY DANGEROUS, AND UNDER THE CURRENT CODE, AGAIN SECTION 9.32 THE COUNTY RIGHT NOW HAS THE AUTHORITY TO SEND PROPERTY OWNERS NOTICE THAT THEY HAVE TO REMOVE IT'S CALLED TRASH AND HAZARDOUS WASTE, BUT IN THE DEFINITION INCLUDES "ASH OR DEBRIS FROM STRUCTURES." YOU KNOW, THAT IS SUBJECT TO ABATEMENT UNDER THE CURRENT COUNTY CODE. SO THIS PROVISION IS SORT OF SPECIFIC TO THESE DISASTERS AND IT UNDERSTANDS THAT THIS WAS CAUSED BY THIS DISASTER, THAT THERE'S A CLEAN-UP PROCESS, AND TO ESTABLISH THAT. WITHOUT THAT IN THE CODE, AGAIN, THE ORDINANCE SAYS THAT ANY RIGHT-OF-ENTRY AGREEMENT EXECUTED PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM IS CONSIDERED ENROLLED. ONCE THIS ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED. I THINK THE ENROLLED MAY THROUGH OTHER MEANS THAT IS CLEAR HERE. WE HAVE THAT. BUT I THINK IT WOULD BE BETTER TO HAVE SOMETHING IN PLACE TO GOVERN THIS PROGRAM SOONER RATHER THAN LATER AS THIS EFFORT IS ON GOING.\r\n\r\nSO THAT WAS THE THOUGHT BEHIND THE EXPEDIENCY. AS FAR AS SORT OF BIFURCATING INTO DIFFERENT ORDINANCES, THAT COULD BE POSSIBLE. ONE CONCERN WAS THAT THE REQUIREMENTS FOR BOTH SHOULD THE SAME [PA-RZ/] THE PROGRAMS, BECAUSE FEMA IS DOING THAT WORK. IF ONE GOES FORWARD, I SUPPOSE IT'S POSSIBLE IF THERE'S A COMMITTEE MEETING ON THE OTHER ORDINANCE, AND IT ENDS UP BEING DIFFERENT, WHAT THIS COMES UP TO COUNCIL FOR ACTION, YOU COULD AMEND THE PREVIOUS ORDINANCE THAT IS ALREADY ADOPTED. I DON'T KNOW

WHAT OUR OPTIONS ARE THERE? BUT I'M ALREADY LOOKING THROUGH NOW AND THINKING OF HOW THIS COULD BE REPURPOSED TO DEAL WITH UP COUNTRY ONLY? THERE MAY BE SOME SOLUTIONS, BUT AGAIN, I DON'T WANT TO MISS ANYTHING JUST DOING IT ON THE FLOOR WITH THIS.

I MEAN, I UNDERSTAND NONE OF THIS IS IDEAL WITH HOW THE PROCESS WORKS, BUT THERE'S A REASON WHY THIS IS BEING DONE THIS WAY. >> PRO TEM KAMA. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. SO THE REASON BEHIND DOING ALL OF THIS IS THE TIMELINE; RIGHT? YOU MENTIONED THE DEADLINE, AND >> THE DEADLINES WOULD BE ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENTS WHO ADMINISTER THOSE PROGRAMS. THERE'S ANOTHER OPTION, IF -- -- UNDER BUTTE COUNTY'S ORDINANCE, THE BUTTE COUNTY COUNCIL ESTABLISHED THE DEADLINE FOR THE ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM IS ANOTHER OPTION YOU COULD CONSIDER. BUT THE CONCERN WITH HAVING IT BE TOO FAR IN THE FUTURE IS THAT AS I UNDERSTAND IT, ABATEMENT THROUGH -- IF SOMEONE FAILS TO SIGN UP, COULD BE DONE BY PEOPLE THAT ARE QUALIFIED TO DO THAT THE EVENT THAT THE OWNER DOESN'T DO THAT.

SO WE WOULD WANT TO HAVE THOSE FOLKS AVAILABLE WITHIN THAT TIMELINE. BUTTE COUNTY HAD A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM ENROLLMENT DEADLINE. >> OKAY. THEN MY NEXT QUESTION IS WHAT IS THE RUSH? I MEAN, IN TERMS OF THE DEADLINE THAT IS BEING SET? BECAUSE MY SENSE IS THAT THERE IS THE DEADLINE. THERE SHOULD BE A DEADLINE.

BUT WHAT -- WHO WAS THE DEADLINE SUPPOSED TO HELP? FEMA AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OR HELP THE PEOPLE THAT ARE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO MOVE FORWARD EVEN IN THEIR STATE OF GRIEF? >> I'M SORRY. >> GO AHEAD. >> I THINK PERHAPS FOLKS, DISASTER, THE PROFESSIONALS ON THIS COULD TALK ABOUT IT MORE, BUT THE REASON TO ESTABLISH A DEADLINE FOR EITHER ONE, AGAIN, SO YOU DON'T HAVE THIS HAZARDOUS SITUATION FOREVER. YOU GIVE A REASONABLE DEADLINE, BUT THE REASON YOU HAVE A DEADLINE IS TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU CAN -- BEFORE, YOU KNOW, HOPEFULLY NOT BEFORE HEAVY RAINS OR THINGS LIKE THAT HAPPEN TO, AVOID THAT. >> OKAY.

MEMBER PALTIN AND VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I UNDERSTAND ABOUT THE REASON FOR THE DEADLINE. YOU KNOW, IF FOLKS THAT HAVE BEEN CALLING MY OFFICE COULD ESTABLISH A DEADLINE THAT THEY WANT TO RETURN TO THEIR PROPERTIES, THEY WOULD. SO IT'S JUST THAT FEELING OF THESE DEADLINES ARE BEING IMPOSED ON THEM WITH NO SAY OF WHEN THEY WILL GET TO THEIR HOMES. AND THEN HAVE TO MAKE A DECISION ABOUT WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO DO WITH THEIR PROPERTY WITHOUT KNOWING OR GETTING TO SEE THEIR PROPERTY IS A DIFFICULT POSITION FOR WEST MAUI RESIDENTS TO BE IN. AND SO THAT IS WHY IT WOULD BE NICER FOR THE PEOPLE, IF IT ACKNOWLEDGED THOSE STAGES THAT DIFFERENT PEOPLE ARE IN, IF ALL 19 HOMES ALREADY SAW THEIR PROPERTY, AND ARE READY FOR THE NEXT STEP, OF COURSE, WE DON'T WANT TO STOP THEM FROM TAKING THAT NEXT STEP.

BUT WEST MAUI HASN'T BEEN GIVEN THAT OPPORTUNITY, AND THEY REALLY WANT IT LIKE YESTERDAY. MOST OF THEM. SO IN THAT WAY, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT IT, EVEN THE WORD "DEADLINE" TODAY'S THE DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR RED CROSS ASSISTANCE FOR SHELTER. THERE'S A DEADLINE FOR FEMA, PEOPLE STILL HAVEN'T MADE UP THEIR MINDS ABOUT THAT. THERE'S A DEADLINE FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, WHICH NOBODY HAS RECEIVED YET. SO I MEAN, THERE'S JUST A LOT OF DEADLINES ON FOLKS WITHOUT A LOT OF RECIPROCATION OF ACKNOWLEDGING THEIR RIGHT TO WANT TO SEE WHAT IS LEFT, OR EVEN IF THEIR HOUSE IS STILL STANDING, THEY WANT TO GO TO THEIR HOUSE AND THE INEQUITY OF FOLKS ON THE NORTHERN BORDERS OF THE FIRE IN LAHAINA BEING ABLE TO LIVE IN THEIR HOUSE, WHEN PEOPLE ON THE SOUTHERN BORDER OF LAHAINA ARE NOT ALLOWED TO EVEN ACCESS THEIR STILL STANDING HOUSES. JUST POINTING IT OUT, I GUESS.

IS THERE A QUESTION? DID YOU WANT A RESPONSE? YOU ARE JUST LETTING THEM KNOW? >> IF WE AS THE COUNTY ARE PUTTING ON THIS DEADLINE TO THEM, IS THERE ANY OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM TO PUT A DEADLINE ON US, THAT THEY WANT TO SEE THEIR PROPERTY BEFORE HAVING THIS DEADLINE IMPOSED ON THEM? >> ARE ANY OF YOU IN A POSITION TO ANSWER THAT QUESTION? NO? MAYBE ERIN, YOU CAN FIND OUT THE ANSWER.

THANK YOU, CHAIR. THE RE-ENTRY PROCESS ACCORDING TO DIRECTOR OLIVEIRA IS TO BEGIN SEPTEMBER 25TH. SO I KNOW THERE'S A PROCESS AND IT'S STARTED. I'M NOT PART OF THE DECISION-MAKING FOR THAT TEAM, BUT WE DID HAVE A PRESS CONFERENCE YESTERDAY SHARING THAT INFORMATION, AND AS WE SAID, JUST WITH THIS, I THINK WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO DO AS YOU SAID, WHEN PEOPLE



ARE ABLE TO VISIT THEIR PROPERTY, UNDERSTAND WHATEVER THEIR SITUATION, THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THEIR SITUATION, THAT WE'RE ABLE TO BE READY FOR THEM WITH WHAT THEIR OPTIONS COULD BE. SO THAT IS KIND OF -- THAT IS HOW WE'RE TRYING TO POSITION OURSELVES. I THINK WE DON'T HAVE TO ESTABLISH DEADLINES OUT OF THE GATE. ONE OF THE CONVERSATIONS HAD THE GOAL WOULD BE FOR US TO PUBLISH AND ENCOURAGE FOLKS TO SIGN UP FOR RE-ENTRY WITHOUT A DEADLINE INITIALLY.

>> SO WE CAN DETERMINE EXACTLY THE LEVEL OF ENGAGEMENT, AND IN A LOT OF CASES THAT IS HOW GOOD HAS OUR EDUCATION AND OUTREACH BEEN? IF WE'RE ABLE TO INCREASE OUR EDUCATION AND OUTREACH, THAT IMPROVES THE POTENTIAL FOR US TO GET THE NECESSARY LEVEL OF COORDINATION TO MOVE FORWARD.

>> I HAVE ALSO GOT TEN QUESTIONS DIRECTED AT ME ABOUT HOW THEY DO SIGN UP FOR THE RE-ENTRY PROCESS? BUT THERE ISN'T A WAY TO SIGN UP FOR THE RE-ENTRY PROCESS FOR LAHAINA TODAY.

>> ERIN.

>> LIKE I SAID, CHAIR, UNFORTUNATELY I'M NOT PART OF THAT DISCUSSION. WE CAN GET INFORMATION BACK TO YOU ABOUT THAT.

>> VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA AND MEMBER COOK.

>> IT'S IMPORTANT THESE QUESTIONS, AND THE MAUI RECOVERS WEBSITE, WOULD THAT HAVE INFORMATION? THAT IS TALKING ABOUT THIS? OR IS IT ONLY ABOUT DEBRIS REMOVAL.

>> YES, THERE'S A PAGE ON MAUI RECOVERS THAT I THINK IS GETTING UPDATED AS A RESULT OF THE PRESS CONFERENCE THAT OCCURRED YESTERDAY TO GET THAT INFORMATION UP RIGHT AWAY.

>> CLAIR, I HOPE WE CAN HAVE A MEETING WITH THE NEW DIRECTOR OF MEMA. I KNOW HE WAS ON TV THE OTHER DAY TALKING ABOUT THIS OTHER THING.

HE PROBABLY HAS ANSWERS TO THIS PUZZLE, WHICH IS MAYBE --

>> WHEN WE HAVE YOUR MEETING, OKAY?

>> OKAY.

>> BECAUSE WE CAN'T SOLVE TOO MUCH IN THIS MEETING. BUT WE HAVE SOME PEOPLE WHO HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO SPEAK YET , AND MR. COOK, YOU ARE ONE OF THEM.

>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. MR. GLENN WRIGHT.

>> GLENNWRIGHT.

>> THANK YOU, SIR. FROM YOUR EXPERIENCE IN CLEANING UP AFTER THIS TYPE OF FIRE, THE HEAT AND THE MAGNITUDE OF IT, WHAT IS THE PROCESS AS FAR AS UNDERGROUND UTILITIES, DRY WALLS, CESSPOOLS? AND THEN THE SLABS FROM MY PERSPECTIVE AS A CONTRACTOR, GENERALLY THE SLABS WOULD NEVER PASS STRUCTURAL AND YOU WOULDN'T WANT IT. SO WILL ALL OF THAT BE ADDRESSED TO WHAT DEPTH MY QUESTION IS IN AND ALSO THE QUESTION IS THE CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS REMOVAL GOING TO BE PROCESSED SO THAT THE CONCRETE IS CRUSHED AND POTENTIALLY REUSED FOR AGGREGATE, IF IT'S NOT CONTAMINATED. THAT IS ONE QUESTION.

SECOND QUESTION, AS PART OF THIS FRAMEWORK OF DEADLINE, WHAT NOT, SO THAT FEMA CAN LINE UP THE PERSONNEL AND THE EQUIPMENT TO EXECUTE THE WORK?

>> IS THANK FOR YOUR QUESTIONS. I WILL DO MY BEST TO ANSWER WITH THE CAVEATS THAT I GAVE BEFORE I'M SPEAKING ABOUT CALIFORNIA'S HISTORICAL EXPERIENCE AND NOT SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. AS YOU MENTIONED, TRADITIONALLY, FOUNDATION BUILDING SLABS, FOUNDATIONS ARE REMOVED 100% AS PART OF THIS PROGRAM. IF A BUILDING BURNED ON TOP OF IT FOR THE REASONS YOU CITED, THE HEAT AND INTERFACE WITH THE CONCRETE THERE. CESSPOOLS AND SEPTIC TANKS, TRADITIONALLY ARE NOT REMOVED AS PART OF THIS PROGRAM. I THINK, YOU KNOW, ACROSS OUR FIRES AND COMMUNITIES WE SEE VARYING LEVELS OF DAMAGE, OR LACK THEREOF TO THAT INFRASTRUCTURE.

I THINK THE MOST IMPORTANT KIND OF LESSON LEARNED WE HAVE IN THAT SPACE IS THAT THE NECESSITY TO CLEARLY MARK IT AND PROTECT IT DURING THE REMOVAL OPERATION. AND IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THE RIGHT-OF-ENTRY PERMIT THAT WILL BE PROVIDED FOR FOLKS TO SIGN UP WILL PROVIDE SPACE FOR THEM TO IDENTIFY IF THEY HAVE THAT SORT OF INFRASTRUCTURE ON PARCEL AND PROVIDE A SMALL SKETCH INDICATING WHERE THAT MAY BE. SO THAT AS THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATIONS MOVE FORWARD EVERY OPPORTUNITY POSSIBLE TO PROTECT THAT INFRASTRUCTURE TO THE EXTENT IT'S UNDAMAGED. AGAIN, I WANT TO BE CAREFUL NOT TO OVERSTATE ON THE CONCRETE AND REUSE. TRADITIONALLY IN CALIFORNIA THAT IS DIVERTED AND USED A RECYCLED MATERIAL, CRUSHED FOR ROAD BASE AND OTHER PURPOSES. METALS, SIMILARLY DIVERTED AND RECYCLED. IT'S PERHAPS BY BIT NASCENT TO WHAT WILL HAPPEN HERE.,

>> AS FAR AS RECYCLING GOES THE ARMY CORPS IS ALREADY PLANNING ON USING ADJUDICATED VEHICLES THAT HAVE BEEN BURNED WITH LOCAL RECYCLERS, AS WELL AS CONTAMINATED METALS.

SO THAT IS IN THE WORKS WITH PLANS WITH THE ARMY CORPS AT THIS TIME.

>> DOES THAT ANSWER YOUR QUESTION?

>> I BELIEVE HE HAD A SECOND QUESTION.



>> I THOUGHT THAT WAS BOTH. >> WONDERFUL. TO THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE NEED FOR A PLAN AND DEADLINE IS IN PART TO ENSURE THAT THERE'S CRITICAL MASS TO BEGIN. I THINK THERE'S PROOF TO THAT AND THERE'S A NEED TO HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF FOLKS THAT WANT TO ENROLL THE PROGRAM, ENROLL THE PROGRAM AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.\r\n\r\nSO THAT THE ARMY CORPS AND ITS CONTRACTOR HAS A BODY OF WORK. I WILL SAY, I DON'T THINK THAT THE BILL HERE CONSIDERS ESTABLISHING A FIRM DEADLINE AND IN CALIFORNIA'S EXPERIENCE WE WOULD NOT DO AT THIS STAGE AND NOT PROVIDE A REQUIREMENT AND DEADLINE FOR FOLKS TO SIGN UP BEFORE THEY HAD AMPLE CHANCE TO SEE THEIR PROPERTY AND TO BE CLEAR, I DO NOT THINK THE BILL IS CONSIDERING THAT. ALL THAT SAID, THERE IS CERTAINLY A NEED, ONCE THE OTHER IMPORTANT PREDECESSOR STEPS ARE TAKEN, THAT A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF FOLKS ENROLL, IF THEY WANT TO DO, SO THE CLEAN-UP CAN BEGIN IN EARNEST AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. >> ANYBODY ELSE? DON'T FORGET WE'LL TAKE THIS UP ON THE 25TH OR 26TH, 26TH. MEMBER SINENCI. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nI WAS JUST THINKING IF WE COULD EITHER HAVE THE COMPANY THAT HAD THE CONTRACT FOR THE CLEAN-UP OR THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS HERE AT THE NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING TO ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS? >> GIVEN PROPER NOTICE, YES, HE WITH COULD HAPPILY MAKE SURE SOMEONE IS THERE. >> THANK YOU. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> MEMBER SUGIMURA, CAN YOU MAKE NOTE OF IT. MEMBER UU-HODGINS. >> I HAVE A QUICK QUESTION.\r\n\r\nI KNOW NOT MANY PEOPLE BO WITH THE ALTERNATIVE VERSION, BUT IF SHE SO CHOOSE TO DO, HOW MUCH DOES THAT TYPICALLY COST? NOSE THERE'S A CASE-BY-CASE LEVEL, BUT SAY THE HOUSE IS LEVELED, HOW MUCH WOULD THAT COST SOMEBODY IF THEY WANTED TO DO IT THEMSELVES? >> WELL, I CAN GIVE PRICE WAG COSTS IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. I'M SURE IT'S QUITE DIFFERENT IN YOUR STATE. IT RANGES AROUND \$70,000 TO PROPERLY DO THAT CLEAN UP, LARGER STRUCTURES CAN BE SUBSTANTIALLY MORE AND SMALLER STRUCTURES LESS THE THAT ESTIMATE DOESN'T TAKE INTO THE COMPLEXITIES OF DOING THE WORK HERE AND POTENTIAL CONTRACTOR SCARCITY YOU MAY FACE HERE AND OTHER FACTORS. WHO WOULD ANYONE WANT TO PAY FOR THAT THEMSELVES? >> THAT IS AN EXCELLENT QUESTION.\r\n\r\nOFTEN A SMALL PERCENTAGE OF FOLKS WHO ARE INSURED TO THAT LEVEL, PRIMARILY CORPORATE ENTITIES, BUSINESS ENTITIES, AND THEIR PREFERENCE WOULD BE TO HAVE COMPLETE CONTROL OVER THE CLEAN-UP, USE A CONTRACTOR OF THEIR CHOICE. AS I MENTIONED IN MY TESTIMONY, I THINK THE CONSOLIDATED DEBRIS REMOVAL PROGRAM IS THE RIGHT CHOICE FOR THE VAST MAJORITY OF FOLKS. >> MEMBER COOK. >> I HAVE SPOKEN WITH SOME LOCAL CONTRACTORS THAT ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE MANPOWER THAT IS BOG GOING TO BE REQUIRED FOR THIS. IS THE PRIME CONTRACTOR LOCAL STATE OF HAWAII OR IS THAT SOMEBODY COMING FROM THE MAINLAND? THE RUMOR, WHAT IT WAS, SOMEONE FROM THE MAINLAND HAD A CONTRACT WITH FEMA AND LOOKING FOR 200 EMPLOYEES, WHICH WAS ULTIMATELY GOING TO SCALP THE MAJORITY OF THE WORKFORCE FROM THE EXISTING CONTRACTORS? COULD YOU CLARIFY THAT?\r\n\r\n>> SO JUST TO CLARIFY, AS FAR AS PRIME CONTRACTOR, MAIN CONTRACTOR, FEMA HAS ISSUED A FEDERAL MISSION ASSIGNMENT TO THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS. AND THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS WILL THEN OUTSOURCE TO, OR WILL THEN SUBCONTRACT TO FURTHER SUB CONTRACTORS. I WON'T SPEAK FORT ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, BUT IN CATIONS THAT I HAD WITH THEM, THEY HAVE EVERY INTENT TO HIRE EVERY LOCAL PROVIDER ON-ISLAND THAT CAN QUALIFY. >> ANYBODY ELSE? ONE LAST QUESTION, AND ERIN, YOU DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER IT RIGHT NOW. BUT ON THE DEBRIS REMOVAL, I'M CURIOUS WHERE IT'S GOING? BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE PLACE YET.\r\n\r\nIS THAT GOING TO BE READY? >> I WOULD LIKE TO DEFER TO JOHN SMITH, IF I COULD. HE IS IN THE AUDIENCE AND HAS BEEN PARTICIPATING IN THE CONVERSATIONS FOR THE INFRASTRUCTURE TASK FORCE. >> JOHN, ARE YOU PREPARED TO ANSWER THE QUESTION? IF NOT, IT'S OKAY. YOU CAN WAIT UNTIL THE 26TH. OKAY.\r\n\r\nALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, JOHN. ALL RIGHT, MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO DEFERRING -- REFERRING THIS TO THE BFED COMMITTEE? >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> CHAIR? >> MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> UNDER WHAT ITEM, OR WE JUST SAYING WE'RE GOING TO WAIVE OUR SUBJECT-MATTER TOPIC?\r\n\r\nIT'S NOT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ARE WE SAYING IT'S A BUDGET THING? MORE POLICY REALLY. >> LET'S ASK MEMBER PALTIN, DO YOU MIND? >> NO, NO, IT'S NOT A QUESTION FOR MEMBER PALTIN RELEASING IT. JUST FOR THE RECORD, ARE WE SAYING THAT WE'RE JUST GOING TO PUT IT THAT

COMMITTEE BECAUSE THAT IS OUR PREROGATIVE? >> THE ONLY OTHER ONE I COULD THINK OF IS THE WAI COMMITTEE? >> BECAUSE IT HAS NINE? \r\n\r\n>> YES, IT HAS NINE. DO YOU WANT TO TAKE IT ON THE 26TH? NO? OKAY. >> I WILL TAKE IT. >> ALL RIGHT. SO APPARENTLY WE HAVE ONLY ONE TAKER AT THIS POINT. \r\n\r\nANY OBJECTIONS TO THIS BEING REFERRED TO THE BFED COMMITTEE? >> I JUST WOULD REQUEST ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS BE REQUESTED AS A RESOURCE. >> AND THE CONTRACTOR. >> YOU ARE WRITING ALL OF THIS DOWN? >> YES. >> CHAIR, IT'S NOT THAT I HAVE ANY OBJECTIONS, I'M JUST TRYING TO FOLLOW OUR RULES WHEN THEY ARE NOT SUSPENDED. >> WELL, WE SUSPENDED THEM. \r\n\r\n>> FOR THIS ITEM REALLY. >> ONLY BECAUSE IT'S AN UNUSUAL SITUATION. >> RIGHT. I JUST WANT TO STATE FOR THE RECORD WHY WE'RE DOING WHAT WE'RE DOING SO WHEN WE LOOK BACK ON PRECEDENT >> YES. >> SO WE'RE PUTTING IT IN THAT COMMITTEE BECAUSE THE CHAIR IS WILLING AND THERE'S NINE. >> YES. >> OKAY. \r\n\r\nNO OBJECTIONS. >> MEMBER COOK. >> THANK YOU. AND FOR MY COLLEAGUES, I WANTED TO CLARIFY, ONE OF THE REASONS I WOULD PREFER IT NOT TO BE IN THE WAI COMMITTEE IS THAT IT WILL ENABLE ME AS ONE MORE THE NINE MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE MORE IN-DEPTH DURING THE MEETING. SO I'M JUST SAYING THE REASON I WAS YIELDING TO THAT, AND THIS IS CLARIFICATION. THIS IS FOR MEETING ON THE 26TH, CORRECT? THANK YOU. \r\n\r\n>> CHAIR? >> YES. >> THE SUBJECT-MATTER COMMITTEE WOULD BE DRIP AS IT STATES. SO NO PRESSURE TO ANYONE ELSE TO TAKE IT. I'M JUST -- WE GENERALLY FOLLOW THE RULE OF PUTTING IT UNDER SUBJECT-MATTER COMMITTEE AND IF WE DON'T, WE EXPLAIN WHY WE ARE NOT, AND THAT IS ALL. >> MEMBER PALTIN HAS GRACIOUSLY YIELDED THANK YOU. SO I DIDN'T SEE ANY OBJECTIONS. \r\n\r\nSO ORDERED. THAT THIS MATTER WILL BE SENT TO THE BFED COMMITTEE. NOW WE'RE ON THE NEXT ITEM AND LAST ITEM >> CHAIR FOR REFERRAL TO THE WATER AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE IS BILL 87 (2023) A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TIME 10, MAUI COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PAID PARKING ZONES AND PERMIT PARKING ZONES IN WAILUKU, PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES FOR THE WAILUKU GARAGE AND PENALTIES FOR PARKING VIOLATION. >> MEMBERS ANY OBJECTIONS TO REFERRING THIS BILL TO THE WAI COMMITTEE? >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> SO ORDERED. SO WE HAVE NO UNFINISHED BUSINESS. \r\n\r\nWE HAVE COME TO THE END OF THE CALENDAR AND TO ASK MEMBER PALTIN ABOUT ANY UPDATES ON LAHAINA? >> SO TONIGHT AT 5:00 P.M. IS THE DEADLINE TO SIGN UP FOR RED CROSS ASSISTANCE. YOU CAN CALL 1-800-REDCROSS. THERE'S CURRENTLY ABOUT 7500 PEOPLE IN RED CROSS SHELTERS, AS WELL AS OTHER SHELTERS THAT ARE OPEN FROM EMPLOYERS THAT ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THAT COUNT, AND PEOPLE STAYING WITH FRIENDS, FAMILY AND CAMPING OUT. WE'RE MOVING FORWARD WITH OUR RIGHT-OF-ENTRY APPLICATION FOR NAPILI PARK AS AN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER. THEY ARE TESTING THE GALLONS PER MINUTE ON THE HYDRANTS THERE, TO SEE IT MATCHES THE SQUARE FOOTAGE? AND SHOUT-OUT TO LAHAINA, READ THE BILL. \r\n\r\nBILL 86. SO THAT YOU ARE PREPARED FOR THE 26TH OF SEPTEMBER. AND THE AGENDA WILL BE POSTED SIX DAYS IN ADVANCE. >> GREAT. THANK YOU. MEMBER VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA DO YOU HAVE ANY UPDATES ON UP COUNTRY? >> FOR UP COUNTRY, TOMORROW I'M GOING TO BE AT THE UP COUNTRY FARMERS' MARKET IN CASE ANYBODY WANTS TO COME AND TALK ABOUT ANYTHING, OR TALK-STORY. ON MONDAY, FROM 1:00- 7:00 AT THE KULA COMMUNITY CENTER WILDFIRE RESOURCE FAIR FOR ANYBODY THAT WANTS TO TALK ABOUT DIFFERENT THINGS THAT MAY AFFECT THEM WITH EMPLOYMENT, OR OTHER ISSUES BESIDES THIS. \r\n\r\n>> WHAT TIME? >> 1-7. ERIN IS BRINGING THIS TEAM, IN CASE THERE ARE PROPERTY OWNERS THAT HAVE QUESTIONS. THEY WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THAT. AND THEN WE'RE HAVING WATER BEING DISTRIBUTED ALSO, BECAUSE WE HAVE ZONE 1 WHICH IS A SIGNIFICANT PORTION AND UP PORTIONS KULA HAS BEEN RELEASED FROM THE WATER ADVISORY, BUT 2, 3, 4 AND 5 ZONES ARE STILL UNDERWATER ADVISORY. AS IT WAS EXPLAINED TO ME, IT'S BECAUSE IT'S CLOSER TO THE FIRE AIR, THE ANY PLACES THAT BURNED UP COUNTRY. AND SO THOSE ARE STILL UNDER THE WATER ADVISORY, AND NOT ABLE TO DRINK AND THE SAME THINGS THAT YOU HAVE BEEN HEARING. SO JUST THOSE SECTIONS ARE. \r\n\r\nSO I LOOK FORWARD TO MOVING FORWARD. THIS IS A HUGE SITUATION. I WANT TO THANK WHAT IS HAPPENING UP COUNTRY ALSO IS THERE'S A HUI THAT HAS FORMED, AND BASICALLY, THEY WANT TO PROTECT SOIL EROSION, AND THE WATERSHEDS THAT THIS DISASTER BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE -- WHERE THE FIRE WHIPPED THROUGH WITH THE HIGH WINDS. THAT IS WHERE

ALL THE HOUSES BURNED, NOT ALL, BUT A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF HOUSES BURNED. SO THERE'S A HUI FORMED ALREADY OF HOW TO PRESERVE THIS SECTION. I WANT TO THANK THEM.  
>> ANYBODY ELSE HAVE ANY COMMENTS ABOUT THIS WEEKEND?  
ALL RIGHT, MEMBERS, THIS BRINGS US TO THE END OF THE MEETING, THIS MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2023 IS NOW ADJOURNED. [ GAVEL ]