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March 28, 2017

Ms. Lynn Araki-Regan, Budget Director Office of the Mayor County of Maui Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Ms. Araki-Regan:

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2018 BUDGET (BD-7) (BF-1)

May I please request the following information relating to Appendix B to the FY 2018 Budget bill (schedule of fees, rates, assessments and taxes):

1. Provide the basis for placing refuse disposal fees and an interim fee schedule for uncontaminated greenwaste, grease trap waste, and biosolids; and a recycling surcharge and abandoned vehicles fee in the General Fund rather than the Solid Waste Management Fund. (Pages 3-4; all page references are to the Ramseyer version of Appendix B.)

There appears to be no Maui County Code or other citation referenced for this change. The tipping fee surcharge is cited as pursuant to Code Section 8.04.050; however, Section 8.040.050(D) provides that, "All disposal charges, special handling fees, and interest, if any, shall be collected by the department of finance for deposit into the solid waste management fund."

Please explain.

2. Explain the basis for deleting the Kihei Regional Wastewater Treatment System collection/transmission system project assessment fee, pursuant to Code Section 14.34.070, absent an ordinance to repeal the fee from the Code. (Page 9.)

- 3. For the Department of Parks and Recreation, various fees are followed by the sentence, "All transactions paid by credit or debit card shall be minus all applicable processing fees per contract." (Pages 21, 24, and 26.)
 - Please explain the contractual processing fees, estimate their amount, and indicate how this will impact the fee assessed. Include an explanation as to why this affects the Department of Parks and Recreation only.
- 4. Compare the proposed cost for the first, second, and third or more child to attend the PALS Program summer and winter sessions versus the cost under the daily rate for FY 2017. (Page 24.)
- 5. With respect to the reduced rates offered for the PALS Program to free and reduced lunch program participants (page 24):
 - a. Estimate the fiscal impact of the proposal to eliminate this rate;
 - b. Indicate the number of reduced rate participants for the summer and winter sessions for 2014, 2015, and 2016; and
 - c. Explain the rationale for eliminating the rate.

May I further request you transmit your response no later than **April 4**, **2017**, to enable the Committee to comprehensively review the FY 2018 budget. To ensure efficient processing, please duplicate the coding in the subject line above for easy reference.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Michele Yoshimura at ext. 7663, Shelly Espeleta at ext. 7134, or Yvette Bouthillier at ext. 7758).

Sincerely,

RIKI HOKAMA, Chair

Budget and Finance Committee