

**DISASTER RECOVERY, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS,  
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Council of the County of Maui

**MINUTES**

**February 11, 2026**

**Online Only via Teams**

**CONVENE:** 1:39 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councilmember Tamara Paltin, Chair  
Councilmember Nohelani U'u-Hodgins, Vice-Chair  
Councilmember K. Kauanoë Batangan  
Councilmember Tom Cook, Member  
Councilmember Gabe Johnson, Member  
Councilmember Alice L. Lee, Member  
Councilmember Keani N.W. Rawlins-Fernandez, Member  
Councilmember Shane M. Sinenci, Member

**EXCUSED:** Councilmember Yuki Lei K. Sugimura, Member

**STAFF:** Jarret Pascual, Legislative Analyst  
Keone Hurdle, Legislative Analyst (backup)  
Carla Nakata, Legislative Attorney  
Yvette Bouthillier, Senior Committee Secretary  
Jean Pokipala, Assistant Clerk  
Ryan Martins, Council Ambassador

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Roxanne Morita, Council Aide, Lanai Residency Area Office  
Keomailani Hirata, Council Aide, Moloka'i Residency Area Office  
Bill Snipes, Council Aide, South Maui Residency Area Office

**ADMIN.:** Oliver Vaas, Captain, Department of Fire and Public Safety  
Jacky Takakura, Acting Director, Department of Planning  
Gregory Pfost, Administrative Planning Officer, Department of Planning  
Michael Hopper, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Department of the Corporation Counsel

**OTHERS:** Jasee Law  
Others (34)

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CHAIR PALTIN: . . .*(gavel)*. . . Will the Disaster Resilience [sic] International Affairs and Planning Committee come to order. The time is now 1:39. If everyone can please silence their cell phones or other noisemaking devices that will help our cause. Members, in accordance with the Sunshine Law if you are not in the Council Chamber, please identify by name who, if anyone, is in the room, vehicle, or workspace with you today. Minors

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do not need to be identified. And due to the brief internet outage, we will be proceeding without the courtesy live cable cast and webcast viewing, as indicated on the last page of your agenda. Also, please see the last page for information on meeting connectivity. My name is Tamara Paltin, and I will be your Chair for today's meeting, and I'm here in the Council Chambers. We have with us...or we had with us Committee Vice-Chair Nohe U'u-Hodgins. We'll come back if she's not available at this time. Oops, there she is.

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: I'm here, Chair. Sorry, I couldn't hear, so I exited my screen, and I came back. But I'm at my personal residence right now. My husband, William Koa Hodgins, is home with me as well, and I do have two minors circling about. Thank you.

CHAIR PALTIN: Thank you. And we have Councilmember Kauanoe Batangan, also known as the new guy.

COUNCILMEMBER BATANGAN: The new guy. Aloha, Chair.

CHAIR PALTIN: Hello. And we have Councilmember Tom Cook with us also in the Chambers.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Good afternoon, Chair.

CHAIR PALTIN: Good afternoon. We have Councilmember Gabe Johnson with us from the island of Lānaʻi. Aloha 'auinalā.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Good afternoon, Chair, Councilmembers, Committee members. There's no testifiers here at the...or at the Lānaʻi District. So I'm alone in my workspace in my house with a snoring dog, beg your pardon. And I'm here and ready to work. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PALTIN: Thank you. And we also have Council Chair Alice Lee. Osiyo and aloha 'auinalā.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Aloha, Chair. Osiyo. I'm alone in my workspace, looking forward to your meeting. Thank you.

CHAIR PALTIN: Thank you. And we also have Councilmember Keani Rawlins-Fernandez. Aloha 'auinalā.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha 'auinalā, Chair. Mai Molokaʻi nui ahina. I'm at my private residence, alone at the moment, will likely be joined by my two minor age children in about an hour as well as my husband, Makena Fernandez. There are currently no testifiers at the Molokaʻi District Office. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR PALTIN: Thank you. And we also have Councilmember Shane Sinenci. Aloha 'auinalā.

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COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Aloha ‘auinalā, Chair. Happy to be here. Here at my home office, I’m here by myself, and they’re no testifiers in Hāna.

CHAIR PALTIN: Thank you. Councilmember Yuki Lei Sugimura is excused. This meeting of the Disaster Recovery, International Affairs, and Planning Committee of the Maui County Council is located on the traditional ‘āina of the Kānaka ‘Ōiwi, who never ceded their sovereignty to the United States. We recognize that Her Majesty Queen Lili‘uokalani yielded the Hawaiian Kingdom to the U.S. in duress under threat of violence to avoid the bloodshed of her people. We further recognize that Hawai‘i remains an illegally occupied nation-state by the U.S., as documented in a 2021 scholarly article for the National Lawyers Guild Review by Andrew Reid, Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. Generations of Kānaka Maoli and their knowledge systems have sustainably cared for Hawai‘i and continue to do so. We are grateful to occupy this space and learn the ways in which we can contribute. As a committee, we seek to support the varied strategies that the Indigenous people of Hawai‘i are using to protect their land and their communities and commit to dedicating time and resources to working in solidarity. From the Department of Planning today we have Acting Director Jacky Takakura, aloha. We also have Administrative Planning Officer Jeffrey [sic] Pfof, aloha. We also have from the Department of Fire and Public Safety Fire Prevention Bureau Captain, I believe, Oliver Vaas. From Corporation Counsel, we have Deputy Corp. Counsel Hopper. We also have DRIP Committee Staff with us this afternoon. Committee Secretary, Senior Committee Secretary, Yvette Bouthillier. Legislative Attorney Carla Nakata. Legislative Analyst Jarret...Jarret Pascual and Keone Hurdle. And Clerk Jean Pokipala.

**BILL 27 (2026), AMENDING CHAPTER 19.35, MAUI COUNTY CODE, ON THE SIZE  
OF ACCESSORY DWELLINGS (DRIP-22)**

CHAIR PALTIN: On the agenda we have one item, DRIP-22 Bill 27 (2026) Amending Chapter 19.35, Maui County Code, on the size of accessory dwellings. The Committee is in receipt of Bill 27 (2026) entitled “A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 19.35 MAUI COUNTY CODE, ON THE SIZE OF ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS”. Bill 27’s purpose is to standardize the allowable size of accessory dwellings and associated decks and similar structures for lots that are smaller than one-half acre. The Committee may consider whether to recommend passage of Bill 27 (2026) on first reading with or without revisions. The Committee may also consider the filing of Bill 27 and other related action. So this bill came about after hearing Bill 103 where they wanted to put one dwelling per every 2,500 square feet. And it seemed that prior to that, the accessory dwelling size was based on the lot size. But if we’re doing one dwelling every 2,500 square feet, to me, I just figured that we can standardize the accessory dwelling unit size to the largest that’s allowed on a 10,000 square foot lot. The Council finds that one approach to addressing the housing shortage is to allow property owners the flexibility to maximize the potential living area in accessory dwellings. Bill 27’s purpose is to standardize the allowable size of accessory dwellings and associated decks and similar structures for lots that are smaller than one half acre. In the rebuild of Lahaina, there

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are people that have communicated that they are waiting to draw their plans to see if this is an allowable size for accessory dwelling units. By Resolution 25-142, adopted on July 8th, 2025, the Council referred to the Planning Commissions a proposed bill to amend Chapter 19.35, Maui County Code, on the size of accessory dwelling units. The Lānaʻi Planning Commission considered the proposed bill on September 17th, 2025. They did recommend approval. The Molokaʻi Planning Commission considered the proposed bill on September 24th, 2025, and they did recommend approval. The Maui Planning Commission listed the bill on its September 23rd, 2025; October 28th, 2025; January 13, 2026; and January 27, 2026, meeting agendas but did not approve comments or recommendations. The Commission deferred review of the bill to March 24, 2026. The 120-day period for the Maui Planning Commission to report to the Council on the bill expired. Under Section 8-8.6(2) of the Revised Charter of the County of Maui 1983 as amended, the Council may pass a bill for a land use ordinance without a Planning Commission's report if the reporting period has expired by an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of its membership. Under Granicus number two, you may find four documents: the Planning Director's report to the Planning Commissions; Planning's Long Range Division analysis of the bill; Lānaʻi Planning Commission's September 17th, 2025, meeting minutes; Molokaʻi Planning Commission's September 24th, 2025, meeting minutes; and a proposed CD-1 version has been transmitted for your consideration. The CD-1 version removes the dates specified in the last paragraph of Section 1 and is approved as to form and legality by Corp. Counsel. This may have just been uploaded, so if you don't see it you may need to refresh your browser. At this time, I'd like to receive any opening comments from the Department of Planning. And Members, if you had any questions, if you can write them down for after testimony.

MS. TAKAKURA: Thank you, Committee Chair Paltin, Chair Lee, and Councilmembers. I'll be brief. The Department supports this bill. Any opportunities for more housing is certainly welcome. And ideally, this would go where there's already infrastructure, so it would be a win-win. And I can turn it over to our subject matter expert, Greg, who has been working tirelessly on this topic. Thank you very much.

CHAIR PALTIN: Thank you.

MR. PFOST: Thank you, Jacky. Madam Chair, Members of the Council, I'm not sure I can summarize anything more than what the Chair's already done. She's done a great job in presenting this item other than what Jacky indicated that in Granicus number two is the Department's report to the Planning Commission that shows the Department's recommended support of this proposed bill. So that concludes my comments. Thank you.

CHAIR PALTIN: Awesome. Thank you. Deputy Corp. Counsel Hopper, do you have any opening comments, any concerns about us having waited the amount of time? The bill had been agendized four times but deferred due to time issues.

MR. HOPPER: I...I think Chair, in this one, whatever you measure from, whether it's the date transmitted or the date first brought up on an agenda, we're past the 120 day timeframe,

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and the Commission was made aware of this for...for this item but had...had...as they often do, they have a lot of items on their agenda. And so, I think they are aware of this. It would...would require, if they can't make a recommendation in the meantime, a two-thirds vote by the full Council to approve this without receiving their recommendation. But I think that the...the...you can proceed without the Maui Planning Commission's recommendation in this case.

CHAIR PALTIN: Thank you. And...and part of my reason of moving forward, other than we've received emails from the public requesting it, is that in any way that I can lighten the load of the Planning Commission, I'd...I'd like to let them focus on the really heavy, important stuff. So by taking this off their plate it opens them up to consider other, bigger things that are coming down the pipe. At this time, we'll move on to public testimony for DRIP 22. Written testimony is encouraged and can be submitted via the eComment link at [mauicounty.us/agendas](http://mauicounty.us/agendas). Testifiers wanting to provide oral testimony should join the online meeting via the Microsoft Teams link printed on today's agenda or call into the phone number, which is also on today's agenda. For individuals wishing to testify via Teams, please raise your hand by clicking on the raise your hand button near the top of your screen, top right of your screen. For those calling in, please follow the prompts via phone. Staff will add names to the testifier list in the order testifiers sign up or raise their hands. For those on Teams, Staff will lower your hand once your name is added. Staff will then call the name you're logged in under to test...or the last four digits of your phone number when it is your time to testify. At that time, Staff will also enable your microphone and video. Please ensure your name on Microsoft Teams appears as the name you prefer to be referred to or as anonymous if you wish to testify anonymously. If you are in person, please notify Staff that you would like to testify anonymously, otherwise, please state your name for the record at the beginning of your testimony. Oral testimony is limited to three minutes. If you are still testifying beyond that time I will kindly ask you to complete your testimony. Once you are done testifying, or if you do not wish to testify, you can view the meeting on *Akakū* Chanel 53 or [mauicounty.us/agendas](http://mauicounty.us/agendas). At this time, we will call on testifiers wishing to testify on DRIP 22. Staff.

MR. HURDLE: Chair, there's no individuals signed up to testify, but I see our friend from Kulauka is approaching the podium.

**. . .OPEN PUBLIC TESTIMONY (DRIP-22). . .**

MR. LAW: Aloha ka'a o ke kalana (ph.) this Jasee Law, from Haleakala Waiakoa ahupua'a. Thank you, luna ho'o malu Paltin for that summary of the Papa Kumumana'o. I really appreciate how you just lay it all out there in plain terms where everybody can understand and very thorough. And speaking of terms, the...and thank you for the whoever's translating it to 'Ōlelo Hawaiian in the agendas, I really appreciate that. I'm starting to learn. The Hawaiian word of the day, it's like a Hawaiian phrase. Actually, it goes kind of like with the stuff that you guys do. It's, mea kou maikai pa ku I (ph.), it means fringe benefits. And speaking of that, Mr. Cook knows a lot about the fringe benefits. And I appreciate all the kānes being here because I think this is one meeting

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where the kānes actually outnumber the wāhines. And also, I'm not picking on Mr. Cook, but I see the new guy over there. I don't want to start picking on him just yet, I don't know enough about him. But Mr. Cook's probably one of the only ones in the room that can read a tape measure, so I appreciate his attendance and his experience.

CHAIR PALTIN: Thank you. Members, any questions for the testifier? Seeing none. Thank you for your testimony. Staff, would you like to do a last call?

MR. HURDLE: Yes, Chair. This is the last call for oral testimony. Please come up to the podium or raise your hand on Teams if you would like to testify. The count is three...two...one. Seeing none, Chair. No one has indicated that they wish to testify.

CHAIR PALTIN: Thank you. Members, without objection, I will now close public testimony and enter any written testimony into the record.

COUNCILMEMBERS: No objection.

**. . .CLOSE PUBLIC TESTIMONY (DRIP-22). . .**

CHAIR PALTIN: Thank you. I would like to open the floor for discussion. I propose as many rounds of questions as you folks need to fully understand and decide on this agenda item. Each Member, for their first round, will have up to five minutes. You don't need to use all those minutes, but they're yours if you should need them. And we can start off with my committee Vice-Chair, Member U'u-Hodgins.

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: Thank you, Chair. I do remember when we were talking about Act 39 and Bill 103 and how they intersect. So for right now I don't have any questions. Thank you.

CHAIR PALTIN: Thank you. And when...when I did ask about Act 39, I had been told there was a Councilmember that was working on legislation for that. Our deadline to implement it is the ending of this year. So I'm hoping we see whichever Councilmember was working on that legislation, so we can enact it prior to the end of the year. But moving along, I'll go around and come back to end it Member Cook. So Member Sinenci?

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Thank you, Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Mahalo, Chair, --

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Oh.

CHAIR PALTIN: Go around and come back to you.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: -- and mahalo for bringing this up. Just for clarity, so it looks like 19.35.02 for Mr. Pfof, it's the covered floor area, 500 square feet and 600 square

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feet. And then in 19.35.060 is the floor area of decks or similar structures. What would the similar structures, like walkways, patios, lanais; is that correct?

MR. PFOST: That's correct.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Oh okay. And...and reference to an accessory dwelling, this would be like an ohana unit with a main residential home on the lot.

MR. PFOST: That is correct.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Okay. Great. Thank you for that clarification. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PALTIN: And...and to clarify, Mr. Pfof, they can build the accessory dwelling unit first before a main dwelling has been constructed; is that correct?

MR. PFOST: Yes, they can.

CHAIR PALTIN: Okay. Just...just wanted to clarify that. There doesn't need to be a main dwelling for them to start with the accessory dwelling. Next --

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you.

CHAIR PALTIN: -- we have Member Batangan for your opportunity.

COUNCILMEMBER BATANGAN: Thank you, Chair. Just can I clarify that there's no substantive difference between the original bill and CD-1?

CHAIR PALTIN: Sure. What CD-1 version does is it simplifies the preamble's last paragraph by removing reference to Resolution 25-142's delivery to the Maui Planning Commission and --

COUNCILMEMBER BATANGAN: Oh.

CHAIR PALTIN: -- the date that the 120-day period expired. The bill is also approved by Corp. Counsel. So those are the main changes as I understand them. Ms. Nakata, is that the main changes, as you understand them, as well?

MS. NAKATA: Yes, that's correct, Chair. There were also a couple of minor formatting adjustments made to the column headings in the tables.

CHAIR PALTIN: Minor formatting adjustments as well.

COUNCILMEMBER BATANGAN: Oh. Thank you, Chair. No, that's all for me.

CHAIR PALTIN: Okay. Next up, Council Chair Alice Lee.

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COUNCILMEMBER LEE: No questions. I'm in full support.

CHAIR PALTIN: Okay. Next up, Member Gabe Johnson.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Okay. Thank you, Chair. Well, Chair Lee, I got questions for you. . . .*(laughing)*. . . I...I'm just curious about what's going on with the other bills that are being proposed that are in this, regard Bill 103. Maybe Chair Paltin could speak on that what's the status of 103. And I thought Chair Lee might have a bill going through the Planning Commissions, just curious of what the status of these other bills are in regards to this.

CHAIR PALTIN: For...for me, for the Bill 103, I was waiting for the parking bill before adding so much density. When I last checked with Planning, that they had transmitted it I believe January 28th to the Mayor for his signature. And so, I did let Ms. Lalo know that we were hoping to get it, like, by mid-February so we could hear it at our next DRIP meeting, the parking portion of it.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Okay.

CHAIR PALTIN: And then Erin Wade had left a message that she wanted to talk to me about the parking bill, and we were unable to connect, yet. So, thank you for the reminder. I'll need to connect back with her. But I didn't want to move forward with Bill 103 until that parking issue was addressed. Although we're rebuilding Lahaina, many of the street widths are the same size, so to add that amount of density when we already had issue of people being able to get out. I know that there are going to be more and new evacuation routes, but it's still a concern on many Lahaina people's minds. So there's that on Bill 103. Before we entered into budget last year, we were going to send that parking stuff out, so it's...you can see how some things take a long time to get through the Planning Commission sometimes. But that's where we are on Bill 103. We did have some other concerns about how we ensure that those additional dwellings do not become second homes for people and they become, like, lived-in buildings, but then that adds to the density issue of the neighborhood. So there's some other things. We also were waiting for a general response from Mr. Hopper to one of the questions that we sent him too. So that's where we are with me with Bill 103. I'll let Chair Lee answer on her Act 39 if that's who did the Act 39 legislation.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: No. It wasn't me.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Oh.

CHAIR PALTIN: It wasn't her.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: I thought there was a bill similar to this. Okay. That was going through the Planning Commission.



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CHAIR PALTIN: Oh. Jacky and Mr. Pfof has an answer for you.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Wonderful.

MR. PFOF: Yes. Thank you. There is a...there is a bill that's actually being reviewed. That's...is implementing Act 39 by State law, which is mandating two accessory dwelling units on every residentially zoned lot. That bill is actually going to the Planning Commissions this month. We were supposed to hear it at Moloka'i this morning, but unfortunately, they had to cancel due to lack of quorum. But the three Planning Commissions are expected to hear that bill this month. And then, so I'll be transmitting that back to the Council after I receive the minutes from those meetings.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Okay. So, lot of spinning plates, it seems. Those are my questions, really. Thanks for that clarity, Committee Chair Paltin. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PALTIN: Sure thing. And I have been advised that we don't want to go too far into other bills because they haven't been agendaized. But those two were referenced in the reading materials. So we have a little latitude.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Thank you for that clarification, and because you mentioned it, I mentioned it, exactly that. I'll stay away from that. But yeah, the people have been asking on Lāna'i about that...that's why. So, thanks so much. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PALTIN: Sure thing. Next up, we have Councilmember Keani Rawlins-Fernandez.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. I don't have any questions at this time.

CHAIR PALTIN: And last but not least, we have Councilmember Tom Cook.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Thank you, Chair. I guess I'll be told if I get off the reservation with the agenda. My question is, by increasing the density, the...the setback...the setbacks are sort of a limitation of how far that you can expand. My question is if you're going to use...is there a process? If you're going to use noncombustible masonry walls that are, like, 8 inches to 12 inches...there's other different building methodologies that you can do for either cost and safety. So right now, if you do that and you have an eight-inch wall, you're going to lose, like, six inches of your interior floor space all the way around, but it's noncombustible. Is there any latitude to be able to encroach in the setback if they had a noncombustible surface and a fireproof soffit?

MR. PFOF: Not that I'm aware with...aware of without obtaining a variance. We allow for eaves and so forth to encroach into the setbacks. But the wall itself, that's what you're talking about, you would have to obtain a variance to do so.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: So that would be...okay. That tells me the process. So because that's...that's just one of the challenges I see with the setback. Maybe...may I ask? The

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purpose of setback, is it safety principally, like six feet for single story and ten feet for a two-story? What's the basis of that?

MR. PFOST: I think you actually...the six feet and ten feet more, like they sometimes...they call it a wedding cake more or less design is tends to be more esthetic and also impact to adjacent neighbors who don't have a second story completely right along close to the property line, so it's a privacy issue sometimes. Privacy and esthetics. You know, building code, with building code, you know, you can build pretty close to property line provided that you using noncombustible materials or...or having higher fire rating so that's...that's a whole different issue. But really, setbacks are associated mostly I think...well, it is fire rating too but mostly when the planning aspect from safety...I mean, privacy and esthetics typically.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Okay. Thank you. I don't have any other questions. I'm supportive of this. I think we've talked a lot about people being able to increase density on their lots as a good path forward for more housing. Thank you.

CHAIR PALTIN: Sure thing. And...and one of the folks I know that's rebuilding his lot had rebuilt his lot in Lahaina after just finishing building it the first time, used noncombustible materials. But I guess, you know, everyone around him wasn't noncombustible, and even though it's noncombustible his house still burnt down. So it's not that it won't burn down, it's just less likely. I'll go second round by raised hands; does anyone have any further questions? All righty, moving right along. The Chair will entertain a motion to recommend passage of Bill 27 (2026) on first reading.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: So move.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: So moved.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Second.

CHAIR PALTIN: Moved by Member Cook. Seconded by Member U'u-Hodgins [sic]. The Chair will entertain a motion to replace Bill 27 with the proposed CD-1 version distributed at today's meeting.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: So moved.

CHAIR PALTIN: Moved by Member Cook --

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: So moved.

CHAIR PALTIN: Second by Member U'u-Hodgins. At the request of Corp. Counsel, the proposed CD1 version simplifies the preamble's last paragraph by removing reference to Resolution 25-142's delivery to the Maui Planning Commission, and the date that the 120-day period expired. The bill is also approved by Corp. Counsel. Any discussions on the replacement? Seeing none. All in favor raise your hand and say "aye."

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COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Aye.

CHAIR PALTIN: Unanimous, eight “ayes”, one excused, Member Sugimura.

**VOTE:       AYES:       Chair Paltin, Vice-Chair U‘u-Hodgins, and  
Councilmembers Batangan, Cook, Johnson, Lee,  
Rawlins-Fernandez, and Sinenci.**

**NOES:       None.**

**ABSTAIN:   None.**

**ABSENT:    None.**

**EXC.:       Councilmember Sugimura.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**ACTION:     APPROVE** motion to replace Bill 27 (2026) with the proposed  
CD1 version distributed at today’s meeting

CHAIR PALTIN: Any discussion on the main motion as not. . .as amended? Seeing none. All  
those in favor raise your hand and say “aye.”

COUNCILMEMBER: Aye.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Aye.

CHAIR PALTIN: Main motion passes, eight “ayes”, one excused, Member Sugimura.

**VOTE:       AYES:       Chair Paltin, Vice-Chair U‘u-Hodgins, and  
Councilmembers Batangan, Cook, Johnson, Lee,  
Rawlins-Fernandez, and Sinenci.**

**NOES:       None.**

**ABSTAIN:   None.**

**ABSENT:    None.**

**EXC.:       Councilmember Sugimura.**

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**MOTION CARRIED.**

**ACTION:** Recommending **FIRST READING** of Bill 27, CD1 (2026), by committee report

CHAIR PALTIN: This concludes today's Disaster Recovery, International Affairs, and Planning Committee meeting. Thank you very much everyone. While we were not as quick as this morning's HLU meeting, we strived to keep up. The time is now 2:10 and this meeting is adjourned. Thank you all very much. . . .*(gavel)*. . .

ADJOURN: 2:10 p.m.

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CERTIFICATION

I, Cheryl von Kugler, hereby certify that pages 1 through 12 of the foregoing represents, to the best of my ability, a true and correct transcript of the proceedings. I further certify that I am not in any way concerned with the cause.

DATED the 12th day of February 2026, in Wailuku, Hawaii



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Cheryl von Kugler