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April 4, 2019

Ms. Michele Chouteau McLean
Department of Planning
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Ms. McLean:

**SUBJECT: REQUESTS/QUESTIONS FROM THE APRIL 3, 2019
MEETING (PL-9) (EDB-1)**

At its meeting on April 3, 2019, the Budget and Finance Committee requested your Department's responses to the following requests/questions from Councilmember Sinenci.

1. Relating to the FY 2009-10 User Fee (Cost of Services) Study conducted by Matrix Consulting Group:
 - a. What cost recovery percentage did the Department initially recommend to the Council during deliberations on the study?
 - b. For each service and associated fee discussed in the study, explain how much the service is subsidized by the General Fund in both percentage and dollar amount.
 - c. Please describe the best management practices standard for cost recovery on land use entitlement and permit fees. Is this standard different from how much we currently recover on these fees? What is the difference between the cost recovery recommended by this standard and the cost recovery recommended by the study?

2. Are land use entitlement and permit fees considered fees that support the general community or a service that provides a benefit to a specific individual or group?.
3. Are there any Countywide Policy Plan or Maui Island Plan policies that support a taxpayer subsidy for land use entitlement and permit fees?
4. If higher fees for land use entitlements and permits are implemented, could the funds recovered from subsidizing these services instead be directed towards other priorities listed in the Countywide Policy Plan and Maui Island Plan?
5. Please provide an approximate range of the cost of permit consulting fees that may be charged by private consulting firms for the following land use entitlements or permits:
 - a. Change in Zoning;
 - b. Community Plan Amendment;
 - c. District Boundary Amendment (under 15 acres);
 - d. Project District Zoning;
 - e. Special Management Area Permits;
 - f. Short-Term Rental Home Permits; and
 - g. Shoreline Setback Variances.
6. For the same list of land use entitlements and permits, please provide the following information for each:
 - a. Number of applications during FY 2018;
 - b. Name of each applicant;
 - c. Address of each application's subject property, according to real property tax records;
 - d. Owner of each application's subject property, according to real property tax records; and
 - e. Total assessed value of each application's subject property, according to real property tax records.

May I further request that you transmit your response **no later than April 11, 2019**, to enable the Committee to comprehensively review the FY 2020 Budget.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Leslee Matthews at ext. 7662, Shelly Espeleta at ext. 7134, Christy Chung at ext. 7137, or Yvette Bouthillier at ext. 7758).

Sincerely,



KEANI RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, Chair
Economic Development and Budget
Committee

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cc: Mayor Michael P. Victorino
Budget Director