

April 3, 2019

MEMO TO: EDB-1 File

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Councilmember Shane Sinenci

SUBJECT: **PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI** (EDB-1) () (Q-)

I am submitting the following questions on the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget:
Questions for the Planning Department:

1. Does the Planning Department support raising permit development fees as described in the User Fee Study done by the Matrix Group in December 2009? What cost recovery percentage did the Planning Department initially recommend to the County Council during deliberations on the study?
2. Are permit development fees considered fees that support the general community or a service that provides a benefit to a specific individual or group and what are the distinctions between the two types of fees?
3. What are best management practices for fee recovery for permit fees?
4. What is the percentage amount that permit fees cited in the study are subsidized by the general fund as compared to the best management practice standard?
5. Are there any Countywide Policy Plan or Maui Island Plan policies that support a taxpayer subsidy for permit development fees?
6. Please provide a dollar amount of the permit fee subsidy according to the study numbers for 2009.
7. Could these subsidy funds be captured through higher fees and could they be directed towards other priorities listed in the Countywide Policy Plan and Maui Island Plan?

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8. For Deputy Director Hart, can you provide an approximate range of the cost of permit consulting fees that may be charged by private consulting firms in Honolulu and on Maui for the permits listed below? We recognize that the Deputy Director's previous firm's fees are proprietary so we are asking for a general range based upon his knowledge of the permit consulting market in Hawaii.
9. For FY 2018 please provide the following information in a table format for the permits listed below:
 - Projects involving a Change of zoning, community plan amendment, district boundary amendments under 15 acres
 - Project district reviews
 - SMA Major permits
 - Short-term rental home
 - Shoreline set-back approval

Information for the table:

- number of permits applied for during FY 2018
- permit applicant name
- property address on real property tax records
- property owner name on real property tax records
- total assessed value of the property on real estate property tax records