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Honorable Richard T. Bissen, Jr. Mayor, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Yuki Lei K. Sugimura, Chair and Members of the Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Sugimura:

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2025 BUDGET (BFED-1)

Attached, please find correspondence from the Department of Planning regarding their review of the Capital Improvement Projects proposed for FY 2025.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at ext. 8239.

Sincerely,

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Acting Budget Director

RICHARD T. BISSEN, JR. Mayor

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

RICHARD T. BISSEN JR., MAYOR

MARIA ZIELINSKI, BUDGET DIRECTOR

FROM:

KATE L.K. BLYSTONE, PLANNING DIRECTOR

**SUBJECT:** 

REVIEW OF THE DRAFT FY2025 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

BUDGET

Thank you for the opportunity to review and evaluate the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for the Mayor's proposed FY2025 Budget. Section 8-8.3 of the Charter of the County of Maui (January 2023 Edition) prescribes that the Planning Director review the list of proposed capital improvement projects and recommend their order of priority to the Mayor. In addition, Maui County Code Section 2.80B.030 states that preparation of the County's annual operating budget and capital program shall implement the general plan to the extent possible.

We have reviewed the approximately 69 proposed CIP projects and find that they all support goals, policies, objective and actions contained in the <u>Countywide Policy Plan (CWPP)</u>, <u>Maui Island Plan (MIP)</u>, <u>Läna'i Community Plan</u> or <u>Moloka'i Island Community Plan</u>. While we did not review every proposed CIP project against all of Maui island's six <u>community plans</u>, given that the MIP has more than sufficient language supporting the projects, we do note that some projects are also consistent with community plan language.

The CWPP contains a series of broad themes and goals, each supported by more specific objectives and policies that relate to the natural environment, local cultures and traditions, education, social and healthcare services, housing, economy, parks and public facilities, transportation, infrastructure, land use and growth management, and good governance. All CIP projects submitted by the departments can be supported by language found in the CWPP Section IV: Goals, Objectives, Policies, and Actions. More specifically, the following core themes, goals, and objectives support the various projects proposed in the FY2025 project list:

## Countywide Policy Plan:

1) F. Strengthen the Local Economy, (CWPP pgs. 60-63)

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GOAL: Maui County's economy will be diverse, sustainable, and supportive of community values.

Objective 1: Promote an economic climate that will encourage diversification of the County's economic base and a sustainable rate of economic growth.

## 2) G. Improve Parks and Public Facilities (CWPP, pgs. 64-65)

**GOAL**: A full range of island-appropriate public facilities and recreational opportunities will be provided to improve the quality of life for residents and visitors.

Objective 1: Expand access to recreational opportunities and community facilities to meet the present and future needs of residents of all ages and physical abilities.

Objective 2: Improve the quality and adequacy of community facilities.

Objective 3: Enhance the funding, management, and planning of public facilities and park lands.

## 3) H. Diversify Transportation Options (CWPP, pgs. 66-69)

GOAL: Maui County will have an efficient, economical, and environmentally sensitive means of moving people and goods.

Objective 1: Provide an effective, affordable, and convenient ground-transportation system that is environmentally sustainable.

Objective 2: Reduce the reliance on the automobile and fossil fuels by encouraging walking, bicycling, and other energy-efficient and safe alternative modes of transportation.

## 4) I. Improve Physical Infrastructure (CWPP, pgs. 70-73)

**GOAL**: Maui County's physical infrastructure will be maintained in optimum condition and will provide for and effectively serve the needs of the County through clean and sustainable technologies.

Objective 1: Improve water systems to assure access to sustainable, clean, reliable, and affordable sources of water.

Objective 2: Improve waste-disposal practices and systems to be efficient, safe, and as environmentally sound as possible.

Objective 3: Significantly increase the use of renewable and green technologies to promote energy efficiency and energy self-sufficiency.

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## 5) K. Strive for Good Governance (CWPP, pgs. 78-81)

**GOAL**: Government services will be transparent, effective, efficient, and responsive to the needs of residents.

Objective 4: Adequately fund in order to effectively administer, implement, and enforce the General Plan.

We note that several proposed CIP infrastructure projects are specifically identified in the Maui Island Plan, and that the goals within the Lāna'i Community Plan, and Moloka'i Island Community Plan support the proposed projects. Following is a list of some of these projects and corresponding policies and implementing actions:

#### Maui Island Plan:

- 1. CBS-5521: North Kīhei R-1 Recycled Water System Expansion
- 2. CBS-1954: Honokōwai New R-1 Distribution System
- 3. CBS-6080: Lāhainā R-1 Recycled Water Force Main Construction/Rehabilitation
  - <u>2.2.3-Action 1</u>: Transition from the use of wastewater injection wells to appropriate, environmentally sound methods of wastewater disposal, and promote the beneficial reuse of wastewater effluent.
  - <u>Policy- 6.2.3.b</u>: Expand the reuse of wastewater from the Central Maui, Kīhei, Lāhainā, and other wastewater systems.
- 4. CBS-1039: Bus Stops and Shelters
- 5. CBS-7244: Transportation Baseyard / Bus and Maintenance Facility
  - <u>Policy-6.5.1.d</u>: Provide adequate transit infrastructure (e.g., bus pullouts, waiting benches and shelters, signs) along existing and future transit right-of-ways.
  - <u>Policy-6.5.1h</u>: Pursue improvements and upgrades to the existing transit system consistent with updated MDOT planning studies/transit plans (within the framework of comprehensive island-wide multimodal transportation plans).
- 6. CBS-5022: Countywide Federal Aid Program Road, bridge, drainage, and complete streets multiple locations.
- 7. CBS 6067: Countywide Traffic and Safety Program Improve traffic operations and safety conditions multiple locations.
  - <u>Policy-6.4.1.a</u>: Plan for an integrated multi-modal transportation system comprised of public transit, bicycle, pedestrian, automobile, and other transportation modes.

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Policy-6.4.1.c: Encourage the use of "complete streets" design methods.

<u>Policy-6.4.2.d</u>: Identify and improve hazardous and substandard sections of roadways, drainage infrastructure, and bridges, provided that the historical integrity of the roads and bridges are protected.

#### Lāna'i Community Plan:

- 8. CBS-6052: Lāna'i Youth Center and Skate Park.
- 9. CBS-7242: Fifth Street Courts Resurfacing and Improvements.

<u>Goal</u>: A comprehensive system of parks, recreational facilities, and programs that meet resident and visitor needs.

## Moloka'i Island Community Plan:

10. CBS-1153: Kaunakakai Effluent Force Main Replacement.

<u>Goal</u>: Moloka'i will have reliable, efficient, and environmentally sensitive wastewater services that meet future needs and maximize wastewater reuse where feasible.

We recognize that the County's infrastructure needs significantly exceed available resources and that there are insufficient funds to support every project proposed throughout the various general plan documents. This draft FY2025 CIP will provide funding for programs and investments the community has established as priorities. Given the complexity of the CIP process, including identifying needed CIP projects, identifying funding sources, implementing the general plan, obtaining public input, prioritizing projects, etc., we suggest that priority be given to projects that:

- Directly support the Lāhainā recovery effort;
- Have clear health and safety effects (aging infrastructure);
- Address environmental or legal mandates (regulatory requirements);
- Clearly support the long-range plans as noted above; and lastly,
- Involve new or upgraded infrastructure and that have a minor improvement to quality of life, health or safety.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

xc: Josiah Nishita, Managing Director (pdf)

Scott Forsythe, Plan Implementation Division Chief (pdf)

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## **BFED Committee**

From: Janina Agapay <Janina.E.Agapay@co.maui.hi.us>

**Sent:** Monday, April 8, 2024 3:56 PM

To: BFED Committee
Cc: Lesley Milner

**Subject:** Planning FY2025 Proposed Capital Improvement Projects

**Attachments:** Proposed FY25 CIP - Planning (BFED-1) .pdf

Hello,

Please see attached correspondence from the Department of Plannning.

Thank you,

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