

Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee (2025-2027) on 2025-04-15 6:00 PM

Meeting Time: 04-15-25 18:00

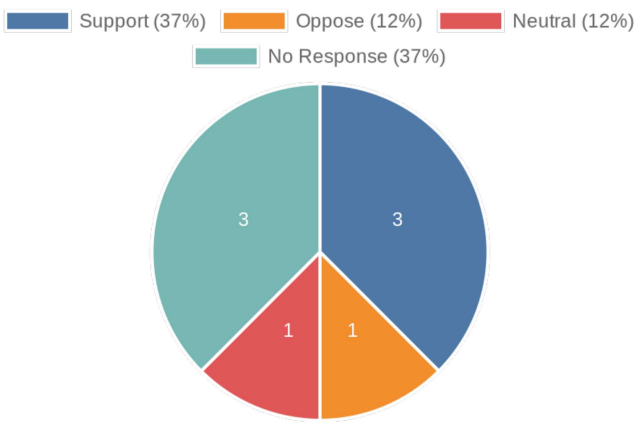
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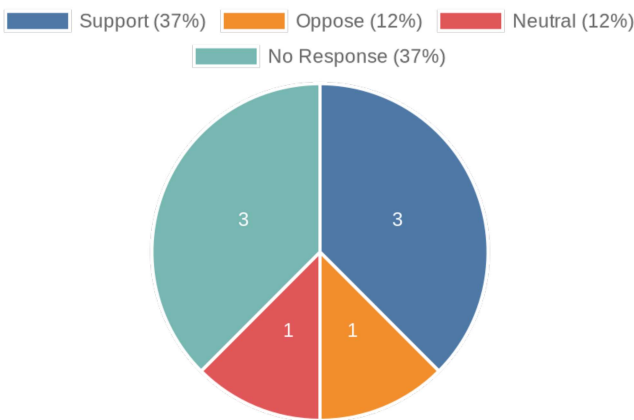
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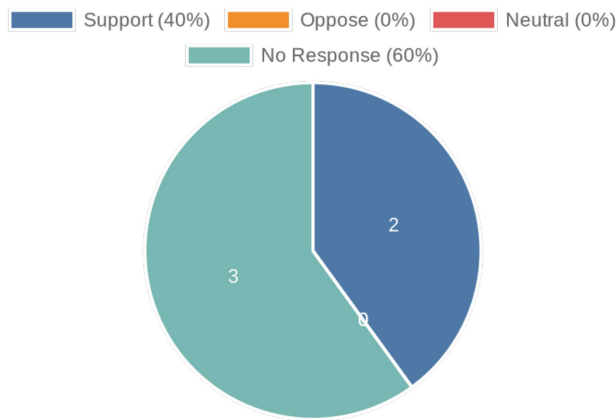
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Location:

Submitted At: 8:57am 04-16-25

TO: Maui County Council

CC: Corporation Counsel, Office of the Mayor, Maui Police Department, Clerk of Council

FROM: James RCS Langford – Peacekeeper Enforcement Director

DATE: April 16, 2025

RE: CEASE AND DESIST ORDER – RETALIATION, SUPPRESSION, AND COLLUSION

This Cease and Desist order is issued under the sovereign and legal jurisdiction of the 12 Stones Charter (Articles VI, XIII, XIV, and XVIII), in conjunction with all applicable U.S. Constitutional protections, federal civil rights statutes, and Hawai'i Revised Statutes. It demands the immediate halt of all retaliatory, suppressive, or obstructive actions targeting the undersigned, protected witnesses, or any Peacekeeper Tribunal operations.

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED TO CEASE AND DESIST FROM:

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GOVERNMENTAL DUTY

Maui County Council and its agents are reminded of their sworn duties under the U.S. Constitution, state law, and their oaths of office. Ongoing complicity in obstruction or harassment constitutes violations of:

- 42 U.S.C. §§1983, 1985

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FURTHER ACTION

Failure to comply will result in:

- Immediate escalation to DOJ Civil Rights Division, HUD Region IX, and ICJ Enforcement Panel
- Criminal referral for obstruction, retaliation, and cultural desecration
- Expanded Peacekeeper Scroll lockdown across all departments
- Public release of RAIS audit entries, video logs, and testimony transcripts

This order takes effect immediately upon delivery. You are individually and collectively liable for all harm and obstruction resulting from continued misconduct.

Respectfully Submitted,
James RCS Langford
Peacekeeper Enforcement Director
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Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 5:02pm 04-15-25

I am providing e-comment testimony in support of funding for the Maui Soil and Water Conservation Districts (Maui SWCDs).

The four Maui Soil & Water Conservation Districts consists of Central Maui, Hana, Olinda-Kula, and West Maui. They are legally constituted, self-governing units of the State of Hawaii, organized under Hawaii Soil & Water Conservation District Law, Chapter 180, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Their purpose is to address soil and water conservation issues within their respective boundaries on the islands of Maui and Kahoolawe.

The SWCD Directors are unpaid volunteers who consist of farmers, ranchers, land managers, and engineers. Most of the volunteer directors have been serving on their respective board for over 10 years.

Funding is needed to provide clerical and technical assistance for tracking projects and grants, personnel management, coordinating education outreach events, and providing assistance to agricultural producers, farmers, and ranchers, regarding natural resources concerns across Maui. The District's goals are to help increase conservation efforts for Maui landowners through the creation of conservation plans or by providing brief technical assistance. The Districts also work with government agencies, as well as community members, to complete watershed scale projects.

All of the programs involving SWCDs are community based. SWCD directors are residents from their respective districts and welcome community input toward identifying natural resource and public safety concerns. The SWCD Programs carry out activities in partnership with County, State, and Federal agencies.

The Districts voluntary board members cannot adequately provide enough time to initiate, implement, and support the entirety of the District's projects and programs, which is why funding is necessary to provide clerical and technical support for the four SWCDs.

Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 8:12am 04-15-25

Aloha,

Thank you for all your hard work!

1 Please prioritize pay increases for the teachers, police, firefighters, first responders, forest rangers and all civil service jobs!

2 Meo has helped my family in so many different ways please fund MEO!!!

3 Stay tuned to protecting the natural beauty of the islands it is what keeps tourists coming back to Maui! Once we pave paradise there's no going back!

4 Haiku deserves a fantastic park just like pukalani!! I sill think the light house property would have been a great spot!

5 Street sweeping should happen at night!!!! For so many reasons!!

6 Homeless, Drugs, crime and vandalism are a huge Island with issue!! Split mountain, old Maui high and so

many other places!
Stop _ this abuse of the land!
Mahalo,
Gloria Madden

Dale A Chappell

Location:

Submitted At: 1:56pm 04-09-25

Please prioritise funding for rental assistance in the County budget.

Families across Maui County are still struggling to afford housing—especially wildfire survivors and working families who are being priced out of their own communities.

Rental assistance is a lifeline that prevents homelessness, supports local workers, and helps people stay rooted where they live, work, and raise their keiki.

Please invest in programs that help keep our residents housed and our communities strong.

Mahalo for your time and service.

Kind regards,

Dale Chappell

Maui resident 43 yrs

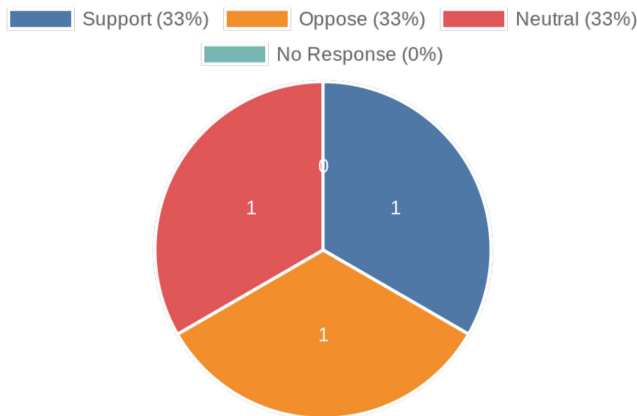
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Location:

Submitted At: 10:57am 04-09-25

I'm writing in support of 1.2 million roof repair for The Historical Iao Theater. Iao Theater is the gem of Wailuku. The grand dame needs some help with the roof. The theater drives business to our down. As a businesses owner on Markef Street. SandellArt Works need the patrons of the theater to come in and shop. As a 45 year of Wailuku, I know if we don't have a Theater for the community the street will suffer. We need the Arts now more than ever. Iao brings joy to the Island COMMUNITY. Iao has programs for our kids adults and kupuna. With out Iao Theater up and running I Wailuku would loose what charm that is left. Let's bring joy back. Please help keep that buil8ng strong.

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Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 8:15am 04-14-25

Aloha Maui County Councilmembers,

My name is Casey Kamaunu and I am the head committee Chair of KKHS Project Grad Class of 2026.

I am testifying in STRONG SUPPORT of the Kekaulike High School Foundation's Upcountry Winter Festival 2026.

The festival includes a craft fair, holiday display, food trucks and booths, non-profit information booths, keiki games, and entertainment – not to mention that Santa and Mrs. Claus graced us with their presence!

Here are a few stats from 2024:

54 - Small businesses/vendors from our Maui community participated

15 - Kekaulike complex clubs and organizations participated from 4 of the 7 schools within the complex (66% increase from 2023)

60 - Volunteers came from the Upcountry community to make this festival successful

8 - Non-profit organizations provided information to festival goers on their mission and impact on the community

1,492 - Attendees were counted (a 36% increase from 2023)

In addition to the event serving as the Kekaulike High School Foundation's main fundraiser, it also serves as a

fundraiser for complex clubs and organizations. This year, the 15 clubs and organizations that participated made well over \$7500 in sales to help fund their activities.

The Kekaulike High School Foundation aims to support the ENTIRE Kekaulike complex, through scholarships for students and grants for teachers. With this event's help, KHSF is on track to provide its own foundation scholarships to graduating seniors for the third consecutive year, with funds doubling from last year. This event also helped complex staff fund projects in areas ranging from elementary school robotics to high school science labs to multiple art classes to field trips to learn about our native bird species.

Due to this event being held for last couple of years our children have been able to raise about \$2500.00 towards their project grad night for next year. We absolutely love this event as it is very family and community based event. With so many options from food, games, craft fair vendors as well as no profit organizations and businesses it is truly a great event to attend as well as be apart of. Not to mention the holiday display along with the photo ops with Mr. & Mrs. Claus. We look forward to this event being able to be held each and every year.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in strong support of the Kekaulike High School Foundation and Upcountry Winter Festival 2026.

Casey Kamaunu

kkhs2026@gmail.com

David Kahn

Location:

Submitted At: 3:56pm 04-02-25

If you look at how the assessors office has reassessed owner-occupied properties across Maui County, in particular using the assessors map for my own middle class neighborhood of Makawao Ranch Acres, you can see that the assessed values all climbed by 400k, some smaller properties by 300k. I've seen similar adjustments made in other areas.

With the mayors proposed budget using his proposed owner-occupied tax rate of \$1.70 on values up to \$1.3M, that would create a windfall for the country. In my own case (237 AUOLI DR) it would be a tax increase of approximately 60%. Similar tax increases exist for other people in my neighborhood.

1. I really don't understand why the assessors office decided to do this land value increase in one large increment. While the property values have gone up, the assessors office has not kept up with the increased values. Are they attempting to correct that with the 400k jump in land values which seems to be across the board?

2. Is it the mayor and council's intent to impose ~ 60% property tax increase on middle class owner-occupied properties?

I would recommend a further cut in the tax rates for owner-occupied properties with values less than \$1.5M, smaller increase for properties between \$1.5M and \$3M and perhaps no cut or a smaller cut in properties > \$3M.

BFED will need to work out the math here, I have not done that. My intent and hope is that the property taxes for owner occupied properties with values in the lowest tier see either no increase in tax or a small increase in tax for the next fiscal year. The lowest tier should be adjusted to \$1.5M. (The mayor proposed \$1.3M). Those increases

would not affect my property as the total assessment after exemptions is still under \$1M.

I also think that the assessors office owes us an explanation as to why they did the sudden increase in land values like they did. I'm sure they will point to expensive comps, but the assessors office in past years has increased land values in smaller increments. What changed this year? I think they owe us an answer.

Thank you,
David Kahn, Makawao