## **BF Committee**

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Chair person Riki Hokama and Members of the Budget and Finance Committee, Maui County Council

Aloha,

I am unable to know what this Committee will consider today when it takes up item BF - 53 (2). There seems to be a contract before the committee identified and certified by the Director of Finance as C 6172. The format of the contract sets forth categories: index, title and amount received. Simply The problem is with the contract

The signed contract in its format includes what appears a different Contract number as 7190 in a different format and setting a list of categories as Index, Title, *contract number*, and amount received. This is dated 27 December 2016. The contract number is different from the first at the contracts title (7190) The Committee is now asked to consider yet another contract.

The money appropriated to study the option of a parking facility/events venue among other options was certified and spent to demolish the Old Wailuku Post Office. The option now before this Committee clearly needs to be studied as it affects small business along Main Street, and that it may appear the expenditure of public resource is made for consumption of "fruit from the forbidden tree" namely benefiting from the the mayor's failure to rehabilitate and comply with your lawfully enacted budget ordinance. It may appear an attempt to amend the budget ordinance that funded rehabilitation, three years after the fact.

I ask that consideration of the expenditure of funds for the proposed facility be deferred.

Mahalo

Jim Smith

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