

**BUDGET, FINANCE, AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**
Council of the County of Maui

MINUTES

April 29, 2024

Online Only via Teams

RECONVENE: 10:16 a.m.

PRESENT: Councilmember Yuki Lei K. Sugimura, Chair
Councilmember Tasha Kama, Vice-Chair
Councilmember Tom Cook, Member
Councilmember Gabe Johnson, Member
Councilmember Alice L. Lee, Member
Councilmember Tamara Paltin, Member
Councilmember Shane M. Sinenci, Member

EXCUSED: Councilmember Keani N.W. Rawlins-Fernandez, Member
Councilmember Nohelani U‘u-Hodgins, Member

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ITEM 1: PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI ((BILL 60 (2024), BILL 61 (2024), BILL 62 (2024), BILL 63 (2024), BILL 64 (2024), BILL 65 (2024), BILL 70 (2024), BILL 73 (2024), BILL 74 (2024), BILL 75 (2024), BILL 76 (2024), BILL 77 (2024), BILL 78 (2024), RESOLUTION 24-66, RESOLUTION 24-67, RESOLUTION 24-68, and RESOLUTION 24-77)

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: . . . (*gavel*) . . . Good morning, everybody. Welcome to the Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Welcome back.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Today is Monday, April 29th, and it is 10:16 a.m. and we are on Akaku. Right? We got Akaku. Okay, good. This is a recessed meeting from last week Friday as you know. And Members, thank you for very much. We were here to like almost 11:30 . . . 1, and we finished the Budget. We passed all the bills unanimously and so today is a corrections meeting. So my name is Yuki Lei Sugimura. I'm the Chair of this Committee and it is, this meeting is being conducted in accordance with the Sunshine Law. As a reminder the Councilmembers are called when you're, if you're not in the Council Chambers, please identify by name who if anyone is in the room, vehicle or workspace with you today. Minors do not need to be identified. Vice-Chair Kama, thank you for leaving your NaCo meeting to be with here, to be here with us.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Half a day.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Half a day.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Good morning and Aloha kakahiaka.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Half a day. Chair Lee.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Thank you. Actually, it's half of half-a-day. Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Half of half-a-day. Member Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Aloha kakahiaka kākou.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member Cook.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Aloha and half-a-day.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member Sinenci.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: 'Ae, aloha. If my public math is correct, it's a quarter day. I'm at the, here at the Hana District office with staff Member Mavis Medeiros. Aloha, everybody.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, there's Member Johnson. Member Johnson, good morning.

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COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Good morning, Chair, Council Members, community members. There's no testifiers over here at Lanai District Office, and half a day to all of you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Nohelani U'u-Hodgins will be joining us shortly, and Keani Rawlins-Fernandez will be joining us. So, um. Let's see. At this time then, just wanted Members to know that we have one item on our agenda, which is BFED-1 proposed fiscal year 2025 Budget for the County of Maui. So this is a corrections meeting, so first I'm going to turn it over to Staff.

MR. KRUEGER: Staff, I mean . . . I'll make the apologies, Chair. Staff has no corrections to report. We'll just say that, we'll just let the Members know we will be submitting the – while we're preparing the resolution with the RPT rates, and we'll be submitting that to the Clerk's office for the public hearing.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. When is the public hearing for the Members and the General Public's information?

MR. KRUEGER: The public hearing is scheduled for May 13th.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, May 13th at what time? Six o'clock usually, yeah?

MR. KRUEGER: We'll doublecheck that real quick, Chair.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. And then first reading is the 21st, so we're still on schedule to do all the targets that we had set. Thank you very much, Members, for really working hard on Friday night. And . . . anything else you would like to say?

MR. KRUEGER: Chair, so the RPT rates reconvene will occur on May 13th at 11:00 a.m. And just to note for the Members, that same day, you also have your public hearings for the fuel tax and weight tax at 9:00 a.m. and then 10:00 a.m. respectively.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So any discussion, Members? If not, okay. Chair Lee?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. The meeting ended at 11:31 p.m. What time did the Staff go home? When did you guys go home?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: We will ask them.

MR. KRUEGER: 12:30 a.m.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: 12:30 a.m.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: 12:30 a.m.

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: And we saw them Saturday, and they were happy, they said.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: I know. I saw them at the funeral, yeah.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Thank you, guys.

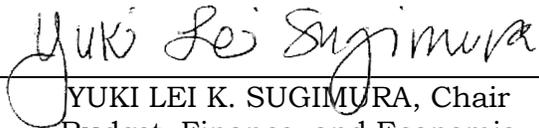
CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah, thanks. They're always amazing.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Yeah.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay, Members. Thank you for being here... and if nobody has anything, then this meeting is now adjourned. . . . *(gavel)* . . .

ADJOURN: 10:20 a.m.

APPROVED:



YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair
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