

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

December 1, 2017

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Report No.** _____

Honorable Chair and Members
of the County Council
County of Maui
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Budget and Finance Committee, having met on November 7, 2017, makes reference to County Communication 17-237, from the Director of Finance, transmitting a notice of transfer of appropriations from Countywide Terminal Pay/Salary Adjustments to Department of Fire and Public Safety's Ocean Safety Division and to various departments.

Pursuant to Section 19 of the General Budget Provisions of the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Ordinance 4334, the Budget Director requested to transfer funds from the Department of Finance Countywide Terminal Pay/Salary Adjustments appropriation to the 1) Department of Fire and Public Safety, Ocean Safety Program, \$377,000; 2) Department of Transportation, \$24,489; 3) Department of Housing and Human Concerns, \$26,010; 4) Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, \$29,731; and 5) Department of Parks and Recreation, \$26,168. The total amount of the funds to be transferred is \$483,398.

Your Committee notes the Salary Commission approved a 12 percent salary increase for the Mayor, and directors and deputy directors of all departments of the Executive Branch of the County. The increase was effective July 1, 2016.

The Budget Director said transfers were made from the Department of Finance Countywide Terminal Pay/Salary Adjustments to cover the salary increase for departments with insufficient funds within their budget. She also said the departments that did not require a transfer had savings from salaries or operational costs to absorb the increase.

The Budget Director said the transfer of \$377,000 to the Department of Fire and Public Safety, Ocean Safety Division, was to pay for salary

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increases as provided for in the Hawaii Government Employee Association's Collective Bargaining Agreement for Unit 14.

Your Committee questioned whether any of the funds were used for the personnel costs at the State-owned Makena Beach Park. Your Committee also asked whether the County had been fully reimbursed from the State Department of Land and Natural Resources for providing lifeguard services at Makena Beach Park for Fiscal Year 2017.

A representative from the Department of Finance said the County submits quarterly invoices to the State for reimbursement for services provided by the County. He was unable to confirm whether all reimbursements were received for Fiscal Year 2017.

Your Committee noted further discussions relating to Makena Lifeguard Services may occur under item BF-83 on the Committee's master agenda. The Committee may also discuss the matter during the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget deliberations.

Your Committee voted 5-0 to recommend filing of the communication. Committee Chair Hokama, Vice-Chair White, and members Atay, Crivello, and Sugimura voted "aye." Committee members Carroll, Cochran, Guzman, and King were excused.

Your Budget and Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that County Communication 17-237 be FILED.

This report is submitted in accordance with Rule 8 of the Rules of the Council.



RIKI HOKAMA, Chair