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Council of the County of Maui

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Councilmember Gabe Johnson, Member
Councilmember Alice L. Lee, Member
Councilmember Tamara Paltin, 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), RESOLUTION 24-66, RESOLUTION 24-67,
RESOLUTION 24-68, and RESOLUTION 24-77)

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: ...*(gavel)*... (Audio begins mid-sentence) --Budget, Finance, Economic Development Committee. It is now 1:45. This is a recessed meeting from yesterday. Members, thank you for coming back. And I would just open by saying thank you very much who...all of those who--I'm going to start crying--but sent their well wishes for my husband. He's fine, he's home. Sadly, we had a...he had a car accident and his brakes gave, so I'm grateful that he's really alive, you know. And probably takes...takes these kinds of, you know, incidents where you step back and you realize how important your family is. So, I'm very grateful to him because I always say without him I probably couldn't do half the things that I do out there in the world. But he's...he's resting. So, at home, you know, where...where we're happy. Okay. So, yesterday, we left off by looking at the Revolving Funds and...oh, I need to introduce all of you first. Sorry about that. So, we'll start with Member Kama.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Good afternoon, Chair. It's good to be here with you and everyone else.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yes. Chair Lee.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Good afternoon, Chair, and so happy to hear that Tak is good.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah, thank you. Me too. Member Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Aloha 'auinalā.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: And Member Johnson.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Aloha, Chair. There's no testifiers at the Lānaʻi District Office. I'm here and ready to work. And thank you for coming in, and --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: -- and my thoughts and prayers to your family.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: I know it's...it's tough --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah, it's tough.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: -- but like you said, it could have been a whole lot worse, and give him my blessings.

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Mahalo.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: That's so sweet of you. And thanks for your text message too.
Member Rawlins-Fernandez.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha...oh, can you hear me?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yes, I can hear you. I can see you.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Good, good. Aloha awakea
kākou, mai Molokai Nui a Hina. I'm at the Molokai District Office, alone on
my...oh, yeah, alone on my side of the office. This is a recessed meeting, so you
don't need to know anything about testifiers. And mahalo for keeping us posted
all along on...on your husband, and --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah. Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: -- you know, our thoughts and prayers,
you know, for a speedy recovery.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: So, mahalo.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Thank you. Day by day, but thank you very much for your text
message also. Member Cook.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Aloha, Chair. Good afternoon.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah, good afternoon. Member U'u-Hodgins.

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: Good afternoon, Chair. Good afternoon, everyone.
Again, I'm so sorry about your husband.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: I'm so happy he's okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah, me too. Thank you. Member Sinenci.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Hey, aloha, Chair. I'm here at the Hāna District Office
with my staff, Mavis Medeiros. And happy to hear Tak's okay.

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Thank you. Thank you very much. So, Members, at this time we're going to pick up where we left off yesterday. Thank you very much. This meeting was supposed to be a day that you could study and get ready for our big meetings that we have next week, but thank you for coming back.

**PART II, SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUES – SCHEDULE
OF REVOLVING/SPECIAL FUNDS
Bill 60 (2024)**

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, we're going to discuss Appendix A, Part II, Special Purpose Revenues, and afterwards, we'll discuss some of the other legislation we received this Budget Session. So...so, the special revenues...let's see, after deliberations on the general budget provisions begin, we're going to...we're going to talk about the revolving fund, and if you don't mind, I wanted to go fund by fund and ask Ms. Milner if she could give us any of her words of wisdom. I wanted to thank Evan Dust from Member Kama's Office that we were waiting yesterday to get a spreadsheet of the matrix of what's actually in the funds that were provided to us from Department of Finance. And as Member Paltin has...has recognized through many of the communications that we got, or responses, that it was so small I couldn't...I couldn't read it, so thank you, Evan, for making it so that my bad eyes could now read this important spreadsheet. So, I'm going to go item by item, starting from A and going all the way through, and these are all the revolving funds, special funds in our Fiscal Year '25 Budget. So, A, Housing Interim Financing and Buy-Back Revolving Fund, Chapter 3.32, Maui County Code, and the total revenue in there is \$1,656.27 [sic]. That's in our Bill 60. But what's in...what Evan gave us is \$1,637 and 220...\$226...thousand . . .(inaudible). . . Hello. So, it's different. Can you tell us why it's different?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. So, the 1,637,226 here, that would be the number that would go in this first column, the estimated balance as of 6/30/2024. So, it's just a slight adjustment based on what's happened over the last few months since we got the initial estimate. Maybe some additional fine payments came in to increase the balance. So, if the Committee would like to increase that estimated balance to match the spreadsheet and increase the total accordingly, we would have no issues with that.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, I think we're going to experience that going all the way through this, so as we take up item by item, I'll just ask the Members, I...I think we want the most accurate information that we can get. Any Members have

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any questions from what was just expressed? So, I think what Budget Office will do is update this list based upon the Evan Dust list that we got from Finance. So, if you could, explain what this first fund is for.

MS. MILNER: Sorry, Chair. Just pulling up Maui County Code really quickly.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. And it's interesting that there were estimated revenues that came into this. So, can you also explain why these revenues were received for a fund that's almost invisible?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. So, the purpose of the fund, the deposits that go in there are all monies received by the County from banking institutions for the purpose of providing interim financing for County housing projects. Pursuant to the authorization granted in the chapter of the Code 3.32, they go to the Director of Finance. And the purpose of the fund is to purchase housing units pursuant to repurchase options and other buy-back provisions granted to the County under agreements with homeowners under the County's housing program and projects or under any agreement granting such rights to the County.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, is there a reason why Housing has not used it?

MS. MILNER: Thank you for the question, Chair. I'm not aware. It's possible they may not have used it this year in order to give the new Director of Housing the opportunity to make determinations on the use of the fund in the next fiscal year.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member Johnson?

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Is it possible to share screen so we all can...

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, I'm sorry.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: I don't know who...

CHAIR SUGIMURA: That's right, the public, yeah?

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Yeah.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Because it's...we're dealing with a lot of numbers and...

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah, thank you. James or Kasie.

MR. KRUEGER: Chair, apologies. Just for clarity, what should we be screen sharing?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh.

MR. KRUEGER: Is it the spreadsheet?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

MR. KRUEGER: Okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: And I...I guess maybe then...yeah. Is that possible? Shall we take a recess?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yes?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Chair Lee?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: So, some...you asked the question about using the fund?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Uh-huh.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Well, the fund is primarily for when...especially for County projects. And people, let's say, have a deed restriction, and for some reason they cannot comply with the deed restriction of 15 or 20 years or whatever it is because of an illness, or somebody dies, or they have to move. So, they have to pay back into this fund, and that's why it's called the Buy-Back Fund. And there aren't that many instances, so that's the reason why this fund is only 1.6 million, considering the number of County projects that we've had over the years. But most of them are aged already, like Skill Village. I think we had one in Nāpili, we had a couple in Lahaina. We had one in Makawao, in Pā'ia...oh, I said Pā'ia. But...but we don't do those projects anymore, so you don't have too much buy-back, and...and for the most part, the deed restrictions have...have expired already over time. But that's pretty much what we use that for, the buy-back, is when some...someone is not able to stay in the home as required by the deed restriction, so they have to pay back.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. That's good to know. I...I...I used to often hear that even if there was that provision, that the County never did the buy-back, so at least

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there's the fund there. Any other questions as...as Staff is trying to set up the spreadsheet? Is it possible, James? Can? Okay. Very good. As he's setting that up...all right. So, item number B, which is Naval Air Station Kahului Airport, NASKA, Sewage Pump Station Fund, Chapter 3.52, Maui County Code. Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. This fund is under DEM. The NASKA Sewage Pump Station is a facility of the State of Hawai'i that services the Kahului Airport and is connected to the County's sewer system. The State has requested the County maintain and operate this pump station and agreed to pay for operations and maintenance costs. To facilitate this arrangement, this fund was established. I don't think they've had a lot of maintenance costs lately, which is why the balance has remained fairly consistent over the last few years.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: It is. Anybody have questions? So, the amount is consistent, \$3,953. Almost ready, James? Yeah? And I think that the other thing that I learned from looking at this is, I thought NASKA was the name of a place, right. I never knew NASKA to be Naval Air Station Kahului Airport. I think Member Kama was mentioning that. Oh, that's right.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Can we go to C? Since...since I don't think too many people care about NASKA.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, okay. There it is. There it is. Okay. So, because C is Fire Hazard Removal Revolving Fund, Chapter 3.68, Maui County Code. \$48,126 is consistent. Can you see it, Gabe, on the screen now?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Okay. Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. This fund was established pursuant to Chapter 132, Hawai'i Revised Statutes. The Fire...well, the Fire Chief is authorized to make expenditures as are needed to render buildings or premises safe from fire where the owner or occupant neglects or refuses to do so. The expense is incurred by these actions of the Fire Chief are recoverable against the owner or occupant, and in order to enable the Chief to provide the fire protection to people and property and carry out...fulfill the purposes of the State law, this Revolving Fund was established.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Questions? Chair Lee?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Yes. Okay. The State may have provided the enabling legislation, but the County had to pass an ordinance because I remember passing this ordinance. It's the fire abatement ordinance, and this is if, you

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know, your...your neighbor is letting your...the grass grow overgrown and becomes a fire hazard. And after warnings from the Fire Department they do nothing, then the Fire Department can hire a landscape crew, or people to go and clean the property, and then charge the owner, the owner would pay. But I find this amount surprisingly low, considering that we have lots of properties on Maui that are neglected. So, I...I think that's...I hope we are able to do something with this, especially in light of all the...you know, the main fires in...in Lahaina. So, we need to...whether it's in the budget or send this to Committee for, you know, extensive discussion, this amount is very low, I'm just saying. Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, you think that...you think that there's more funds out there that need to be put here into this account?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: More people have to be cited.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, okay.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Yeah.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: The cause and effect. Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Yeah.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yes. Member Cook, then Member Johnson.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Chair...Chair, so for my clarity, this...this fund is funded through the Police Department doing notice of viola--...I mean the Fire Department --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: -- doing notice of violations and issuing the fines.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Is there a rates and tables for the fines that we're aware of as far as how much they fine?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh. Ms. Milner, do you know that?

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MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I'll check Appendix B. This...so, I'm just rereading the Code here, and so, I think this is when the Fire Chief needs to go in to render a building safe, and then they are authorized to charge the building owner for the costs to render the building safe. So, this is someone who isn't properly maintaining their property --

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: So, this...

MS. MILNER: -- and the Fire Department has to go in. So, I'm not sure it's a set fee, it's just whatever they expend to secure the property.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: So, this is for structures?

MS. MILNER: Yes, buildings or premises.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Okay. Building or premises. Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Member Johnson?

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Thank you, Chair. I...I spoke with *(audio interference)* Whoops. One moment. How about now? Okay. Sure, sure.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: . . .*(inaudible)*. . . Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: I spoke with the Police Chief yesterday in regards...or the Fire Chief yesterday in regards to, you know, how do we get more inspectors in the field to tell people to cut their grass, to do this exact thing, you know, and...and make sure if the...if they don't do it, then we'll...then they'll do it and then we'll charge them for it. The Police Chief said...or the Fire--I keep--the Fire Chief said that he's...he put in the budget for seven inspectors, so that's good because they need to do a whole lot more work to make sure that people are cutting their grass and making it fire...fire safe. And just for a point of information, the...they haven't issued any fines for years, so there's that. For many years they haven't issued those fines. So, thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. And I think because of the wildfire, a lot more people are paying attention to their abandoned properties next door, so that's where this...the fees for that cleanup would go; is that correct, Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, if an occupant does not clean the property after being asked to do so, and the Fire Department has to go in to do it, then any charges related to that, I believe, would go into this fund.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: And was Chief planning on using any of the funds from this to pay for the seven new inspectors?

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MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. No, he hasn't requested to condition any of these funds for this fiscal year.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Except for the four vehicles. We'll get to that.

MS. MILNER: Yeah, that's a different fund.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, next is Plan Review, Permit Processing--item D, right? Inspection Revolving Fund, Section 16.26B.108.2.1, Maui County Code. And the amount in there started off with 6.9 million, ending up with, according to Evan's spreadsheet, is \$6,871,330. Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, the updated estimated balance would be 6,871,330, down a little bit from 6,956,472. And that's mostly...likely because salaries are being disbursed every month out of this fund for the 19 positions that are covered by this fund.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Members, any questions? Seeing none. Oh, you do? Chair Lee, go ahead.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. Yes, we have to be careful with this one because it involves people, personnel and...however, 19 personnel costs how much?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: 1.3 million.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: No.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, oh, I see, and equivalent personnel. Sorry.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Of all of this, how much...I don't think \$6 million is required for 19 people.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. We'll...we'll add that too as a question, James.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay.

MS. MILNER: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

MS. MILNER: Sorry.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, you want...

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MS. MILNER: Thank you. No, the full \$6 million is not for the 19 people. 1,333,624 is for the 19 people, 537,200 is for operations or services, and 124,000 is for equipment out of this fund.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: So, how much is left over?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Shall we send that as a question?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

CHAIR SUGIMURA: You want us to wait?

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: They...they can get their PI...

MS. MILNER: We can move on, and I'll get back to you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Next is E, Highway Beautification and Disposal of Abandoned and *[sic]* Derelict Vehicles Revolving Fund, Section 3.25.030, Maui County Code. And it...it starts off with \$834,549, and it ends up with 1.9 million. So, Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. If we can just return to the previous one really briefly. It looks like the remaining balance will be approximately the same for next year, 6,396,524.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Um.

MS. MILNER: Once we subtract the expected expenditures from the \$8.39 million for FY '25.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: 8.39. So, the 19 E/Ps was...what is the answer for Chair Lee?

MS. MILNER: The answer for the remaining balance is 6,396,524. The 19 E/Ps cost \$1,333,624.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: In case we have to add a PIO over there. Just checking. All right.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: That's what we should do, add all the PIOs to all these revolving funds, right, that we've been asked for.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Or just eliminate them.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah. Okay. E...oh, wait, we are on Highway Beautification. Okay. Did you get that?

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MS. MILNER: Yeah. So, Highway Beautification, that went up a little bit. That is 925,49 [sic] for the estimated balance now. You know, we still have fines and fees coming in for that, so I believe that's the difference there. The Director of Finance shall collect an additional fee for each Certificate of Registration for the Highway Beautification fee. So, as people are registering their cars, we continue to collect those funds, and they are placed here for the purpose of beautification and other related activities, including animal management program carcass removal, highway beautification concerning highways under the ownership, control, and jurisdiction of the County, to defray costs in the disposition, and other related activities of abandoned or derelict vehicles as prescribed in Chapter 290 HRS, and to mitigate and address the impacts of tourism-related traffic congestion.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Ms. Milner. I have a question. Does the foreign license plate money go into here? Like right now, they're 50 bucks for an out-of-state license. If we say like oh, let's charge 100 bucks, would that go into there?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. No, I believe this is just the specific highway beautification fee in Appendix B.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: For the registration of your car?

MS. MILNER: Yeah. I believe it's an additional charge, but I'll look that up right now and get back to you.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, I have a question. So, Teens on Call for...to maintain the Pā'ia Bypass, 25,000. I think the correspondence from the Department was it should be 35. So, how do you get there...or how does Department get there?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I believe the Department has been in discussion with Teens on Call about the amount that's been included in the budget, but I also believe they would be open to increasing that amount in the condition under the Revolving Fund if the Committee chose to do so.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, so it has to come from us?

MS. MILNER: At this point, yes.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Okay. Members, anything else regarding this? Okay.

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Member Paltin is going to increase the license fee.

MS. MILNER: Chair?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Out-of-state.

MS. MILNER: Sorry. Just wanted to follow up. Appendix B, page 15, the non-Ramseyered version, there's a fee there for each new and duplicate Certificate of Registration issued by Director of Finance for U-drive motor vehicles, that's \$10 that goes into Highway Beautification, and new and duplicate Certificate of Registration issued by Director of Finance for all other motor vehicles, that's \$10 for Highway Beautification. So, those are the only two right now that are earmarked for that.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Did you say page 15?

MS. MILNER: Yes, Chair, of the --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Non-Ramseyered.

MS. MILNER: -- non-Ramseyered version.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Do you...

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Go ahead.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Do you know where the out-of-state license plate money ends up? Is it like General Fund, or...

MS. MILNER: I'll look into that and get back to you.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And just one other question, if you could. When do they assess the out-of-state license fee? Like when they're doing their safety, or registration, or when it comes off the barge? Like is there a catch-all way to catch all the foreign plates?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Go ahead.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I would ask that you send that question to Department of Finance, as they would have that more readily available.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. James, you got that? Thanks.

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Very good. Okay. Next. So, F, Liquor Education Fund, Hawai'i Revised Statutes 281-16, .281-17(2) [sic], 281-17(3). And this is where that education, underage education...I think it went to MEO, the 22,000. I wish we could change that, but...to get more since Liquor has so much money. Any questions regarding this? Is it very different from ours?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: I have a question.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Go. Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: You asked if...you wish you could change that? Why can't you change that?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, Hawai'i...HRS, because of the Statute, got to change...only percentage of the funds that are collected. What was the...what was the percentage?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ten percent of something.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Oh.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I'd have to look. I believe that was in the correspondence from the Liquor Commission, or else they answered it on the floor, but I do believe the HRS limits it to a specific percentage of what is collected.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: I assume we're at the top then?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . . Yeah.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

MS. MILNER: Chair, I...I do believe this body did increase it from 11,000 to 22,000 sometime in the last couple of fiscal years, realizing that our collections had

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gone up. So, we have made adjustments in the past based on actual costs. So, may just want to keep an eye on that in future fiscal years.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. This next one is very interesting. Animal Management Revolving Fund, Chapter 3.84, Maui County Code, which is G as in George item, and it's...it's 6...it went down, right? So, based upon what you reported initially which is March of 20...oh, this year when we got the budget, it was...started off at 54,598, and it went up to 105,519, and now it's at 65,000; am I correct? Yeah.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. So, just to clarify, the numbers you see on the spreadsheet before you are the numbers that should go in the first column, the estimated balance column. So, that...the number actually went up from 54 to 65, and then we'll add that to the 50 and adjust the total accordingly. So, the number has actually gone up over \$10,000.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, okay.

MS. MILNER: And again, I assume that's because this fund is made up of fees collected for licensing, impounds, redemptions, adoptions, and pickups of animals, and is to be used to provide for animal management in the County. So, I...because those activities are still continuing, we've collected those funds over the last couple of months.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I just was wondering, is there a charge if...if...if the town burned down and your animal ran away, and you go to reclaim it, there's a charge?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I don't know that answer immediately. I would imagine that those were waived due to the extenuating circumstances of the fire. But you can confirm that with either Maui Humane Society or DHHC.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: It might be animals lost in other parts of the island.

MS. MILNER: Yes, or new animals that are getting licensed.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh. As they adopt them out or something?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay.

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MS. MILNER: And Chair, if I can just return to our previous conversation on the out-of-state vehicle permit, that does go into the General Fund.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. All right. So, we're going to move on to the next one, which is H as in Harry, Plan Review, Processing, and Inspection Revolving Fund, for Fire, Section 19.04D--as in delta--0.060 [sic], Maui County Code. And it starts off with 1.2 million, and ends up with 1.7, and the spreadsheet starts off with 1.9 million. Ms. Milner? This is...remember, this is where, when Chief was before us, he asked for the four vehicles, the 200,000, and he wants this provisoed here for that. Did he want something else from this also?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. No, I believe the 200,000 for the vehicles was all that was requested. And then no change to the other conditions that are already there.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Okay. Next. Any...any questions regarding this? No. Okay. Next, I. Okay. This is our favorite one, right. Open Space, Natural Resources, Cultural Resources, and Scenic Views Preservation Fund Section 9-19, Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended; Chapter 3.88, Maui County Code. And it starts off with 5.6 million, ends up with 11.5 million. Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes. Yes. We anticipate that there's no change in this for the estimated balance, and then the 5.86 that we have as the anticipated revenues for Fiscal Year 2025 are one percent of the real property tax, as included in the budget. Once you receive the certified real property tax numbers, that amount may need to be adjusted. Obviously, if the amount goes down, you can leave it here, you don't need to change it, but if it goes up, we would recommend changing that amount to reflect one percent of the certified tax revenues.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Members, any questions regarding this? Member U'u-Hodgins?

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: Thank you, Chair. I have a question again for Corp. Counsel. We've been kind of going back and forth how to figure out the best use of this funds.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Ms. Toshikiyo?

MS. TOSHIKIYO: Hi, Chair. I'm here.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Good.

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COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: Hi, Ms. Toshikiyo. Thank you so much for being with us today. So, in kind of going back and forth with the...the question I asked yesterday about safety and its relationship towards maintenance. I'm kind of reviewing the minutes of the meeting when this was created and going back and forth. So, I know you said that the safety would have to be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Is there a conflict with the Section 9-19 of the Charter for the security and safety? I guess the Charter references language that doesn't exist, or one way or the other. Can you please provide me some clarification? And then tell me if a Charter amendment would need to be done in order for the funds to be used for safety and security, and if we could add a percentage be set aside for maintenance.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Toshikiyo?

MS. TOSHIKIYO: I'm sorry, a conflict between the Charter and the provisions in the Code?

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: Yes.

MS. TOSHIKIYO: Or...oh, okay.

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: Yeah. I'm...I think.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: What are you having for dinner tonight?

MS. TOSHIKIYO: Yes, because...I'm sorry, I'm trying to pull up the...the Code, the language, but the Charter language would control in...in this case.

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: Okay. I think...I forget which one, but one specifies to look at a section that I guess doesn't exist. Apparently it was an oversight. Would we be able to create a percentage of this fund to be used for maintenance? If so, would that require a Charter amendment?

MS. TOSHIKIYO: I would have to think about that, but off the top of my head, I would say yes because maintenance is not specifically stated within the...the Charter provision. So, if you want to set aside a certain amount that would provide maintenance either for, I guess, lands that are acquired through this fund, which is the limitation that's currently stated in the Charter, or if you're discussing, you know, other lands, open space type lands. So, that's one thing. But yes, since it's not specified within the Charter, and if you wanted to add it, it would require a Charter amendment.

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: Okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner has also.

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MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: Okay.

MS. MILNER: Sorry.

MS. TOSHIKIYO: But...

MS. MILNER: If I can just chime in really quick, Ms. Toshikiyo. I was just reviewing the Code, and I did see that 3.88.020C, the last sentence states no revenues in this fund shall be used for maintenance of lands acquired. So, the Code would also need to be amended --

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: Yeah.

MS. MILNER: -- going forward.

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: Yeah.

MS. TOSHIKIYO: Yes. Oh, thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: I realize that. That's what's highlighted in the paper right in front of me. But that was...that's why I asked about creating a percentage and would it require a Charter amendment because we've been going back and forth on what we could do to make it make sense, whether it could be a Code amendment or a Charter amendment. And I guess the answer is Charter amendment.

MS. TOSHIKIYO: Yes. And if I could have just a bit of time that I can get back to you and maybe contact you offline --

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: Sure.

MS. TOSHIKIYO: -- so I can take a look at both of them, and then just really be able to come up with a...a full response for you.

COUNCILMEMBER U'U-HODGINS: I'd appreciate that. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Very good. So, next is...I guess Monday...on Open Space, Monday we'll find out what the estimated...impact of the estimated revenues for the Open Space Fund, and we'll get that updated at that appropriate time. J, Emergency Fund, Section 9-14, Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended; Chapter 3.96, Maui County Code. \$57,479,300...

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah? Yes?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Sorry to interrupt you. Can we go back to the Open Space one?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yes. Sure.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Not about the fund itself, but about the items under the fund. Is it okay to ask about those?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah. Yeah. Please.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: So, I guess a little bit...my question is, sometimes prior year encumbrances are listed here, and sometimes they're not. And I was wondering what determines when you list a prior year encumbrance there and when you do not.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. If you're referring to the 300,000, I think we list that every year because that's a new expense every year, so we encumber 300,000 for that cost every year. It's not one --

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh.

MS. MILNER: -- cost that carries over. And then...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, so we got to put 300,000 every year to pay for the debt service?

MS. MILNER: Yes, until it's paid off.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Do we...did we not buy it? We...we bonded that Launiupoko money...or land?

MS. MILNER: Yes. My understanding is that that was purchased through bond, and so we have debt service on that every year. But I can talk to Mr. Hironaka to confirm.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And...and I'm sure probably somebody smart with numbers did the math. Can we just pay it off one time, or it's more economical

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to make \$300,000 payment annually? Did...or are we not allowed to pay it off early?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. That land was purchased in 2014, and so, I would kindly defer that question to Department of Finance.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Can you find out for us?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, shall we send that question? Thank you, James.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And then I had one other question. So, like the...I think there was like 5 million for a buffer, and 6 million for wetlands or whatever. Are we saving paper and that's why we don't list all those other things here, or...because used to be some things were still listed. Like it was the number of years before Ke Ao Hāli'i was purchased and we'd list it every year. So, I just was wondering, is that like a policy change on the budget side? Because what if we forget from year to year like what we encumbered?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. I actually discussed this with Councilmember Cook the other day as well. We're working with OCS and Department of Finance. We're going to ask you all to amend...to add a section under Open Space that will just be prior year appropriations. So, we'll list any that haven't already been taken care of, I guess, so that you all will know they're still in there. And then it will also be at the body's discretion if they want to leave those in there as well. But we'd like to separate it out into a prior year category to make it clear you don't need to subtract those from your FY '25 total, it's separate, it's already been accounted for.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I like that. And then number 3 in paren, is that the old Salvation Army location?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you . . .*(timer sounds)*. . . Councilmember Paltin. Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Just a quick follow-up. Were we not going to pursue a land swap to the Ka Hale A Ke Ola shelter area, or...

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I'm not aware of that. That may be a good question for Department of Management.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, okay. James, do you mind?

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, you got that question?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Can...can you repeat the question?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Chair Lee?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: The full question on the land swap.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: At one point, there was discussion that, you know, where Ka Hale A Ke Ola is would be a good location for Salvation Army as part of like, you know, wraparound services, and if we owned that land or whatever, and swapped that portion of what is infringing upon Moku'ula/Mokuhinia, that we could...we could swap with the Salvation Army possibly.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yeah.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Not Kahului. I mean I don't know --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, this is...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: -- that the Salvation Army exists, but their land was on where the footprint of Moku'ula, Loko Mokuhinia is, and now that they're not in existence in this realm, maybe they can move to where the shelter might be rebuilt.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, you're talking about something that sounds like a community discussion that didn't come up in this body. I don't know if the Administration is in that, but it's...this is brand new to me. Maybe some of the other Members heard about that.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I think that the Administration was taking notes on the September 27th hearing at the Westin, and maybe that's how the item 3 came about, possibly?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Good. So, anyway, let's...let's look further into it, right...this good idea.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yes, Member Cook?

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COUNCILMEMBER COOK: When it comes to item 1, the \$300,000 for --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: -- debt service, I just want to clarify, I'd like to know what that transaction was because it seems like a pretty unique one to be buying property instead of outright either on agreement of sale or bond or whatever. So, I'm just clarifying, I'm hoping we're going to get information on that. Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: The details of the sale.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Yes.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And...and maybe what is it...what is currently happening with that. Like is that part of the Pali to Puamana acquisition? And...and so, then what is going on with it now?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Okay. Very good. So, we got that, right? Okay. Thank you.

MS. MILNER: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yes?

MS. MILNER: Sorry to interrupt. Councilmember Paltin, one thing I did want to clarify, and this is in BD-, I want to say 6...apologies if I got that wrong. Had some correspondence with the Committee Chair regarding Appendix A, Part II, and one of the changes requested is to remove that second TMK from item 1 in Open Space because while it was initially the intent of the County to purchase that property, it was not ultimately acquired. So, the debt service that we're paying is only on the first TMK listed here.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: The 030 and not the 026?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. Yes.

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. Thank you. I like to be accurate.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Are you done with that? Who's calling me? Oh, Sinenci. Okay. I can't...I can't see you. Member Sinenci.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you, Chair. Yeah, just a question for Acting Director Milner. Last year we had provisoed \$5 million out of this fund for the acquisition of property...flood...flood area property in South Maui, and I don't...I don't see that on here. Or if...if those funds weren't acted upon, does it...does it go back into the fund?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Sinenci. Appropriations to the Open Space Fund do not lapse. So, that is still active, and I do not know the status of that purchase, but that will most likely be included under that prior year appropriations line item, just for clarity's sake.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Oh, okay. And then if...my second question, Ms. Milner, is, if...if a nonprofit is given the...I guess, the management of the property, do they have to pay for the management? To Member U'u-Hodgins' questions, I mean is it only if the County retains management of the open space that we require funding from this...from this fund, or is it up to the nonprofit for the management of the open space?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Sinenci. I will ultimately defer to Corporation Counsel, but it's my understanding that none of the funds from Open Space can be used for maintenance at this time. So, even if they're granted to a nonprofit, I don't believe those funds should be used for maintenance of the property.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Okay. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Do you have...one of the names that have come up in this budget is the Lahaina Community Land Trust for acquisitions and...acquisition of property in Lahaina, Maui for 1.5 million. And you'll see the name again, and we heard about it when we went...went to West Maui. So, brand new name for me, but maybe not for some of the members of the community, but could you give us a status on how they have come about?

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MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I don't have a lot about the formation of the group at hand. I know this is a community trust that's been developed to help maintain lands in Lahaina. They've met with the Administration and had presented the start of a plan, I believe, that the Administration felt they wanted to support. I might defer to Councilmember Paltin, who may have more information on the land trust.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Sorry, can you repeat the question?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: The...the question is, who is and what is and more information on the Lahaina Community Land Trust. And if...if...if you don't want to speak to it, we can get somebody.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, they do have a website, it's called lahainacommunitylandtrust.org. The current president is Mikey...Michaellyn Blando Burke, the vice-president/secretary is Carolyn Auwelo, and the Treasurer is Kapali Keahi. They have some staff, Anastasia Arao-Tagayuna. I believe Autumn Ness is also helping out. They have formed as a 501(c)(3) to hold land. They have some pro bono lawyers, and some paid-for lawyers, and a bunch of advisors. Their...their paperwork is all in order, from what I understand. And the website, I think, is where you'll find most of the answers to the questions, hopefully. They did give us brochures when we get...went to West Maui as well.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: I did get that. Chair Lee?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Yes. I...I believe this is a...clearly a bonified nonprofit with a very important task ahead of them, and that's the reason why I'm adding \$5 million to go to that particular nonprofit for the relocation of...of structures--you know, homes, businesses--along the shoreline that have to be, you know, moved inward. So, that's part of their mission.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, in this Open Space Fund?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: No. I thought you were talking about the Managed Retreat Fund all of a sudden. I thought you jumped down to that one.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: We're still...we're still talking about --

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Oh, I'm sorry.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: -- Open Space Fund.

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COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. I'm talking about the Managed Retreat one. Okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Interesting. Okay. So, the Lahaina Community...Community Trust [sic], if I understand this, that the properties that have been burnt, this organization is going to receive, or propose to purchase so it doesn't go to outside buyers, the properties; is that correct?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Their primary goal is to hold space and not displace. So, you know, if there are folks, off-island owners in the burn zone that would like to sell, of course, they'd like to pick those up. But if...they're having a homeowner workshop, I think, the 27th of this month. Their primary goal is to try to find ways that if families want to stay and they can't rebuild, to also facilitate that. Like either possibly by purchasing an easement or a deed restriction to then be able to give the family the money needed to rebuild or a gap amount. There's other types of strategies I think that they're employing. Like it's not that they want...their...their number one vision is not to buy land from people that have no other choice but to sell, but to enable folks to stay on their land if they're able to find a pathway forward. But, you know, if there are folks that don't want to stay because of how they escaped, or what they saw when they escaped, or they just don't feel safe every time it's windy, and they don't want to be known as selling out, they have an opportunity to sell in. Because, you know, plenty times when you grow up in a community like that you know that like oh, that's the so-and-so house, or that's so-and-so's house, and long after they sell it and it's like somebody else living there, you still kind of refer to that house by the person's last name. And so, there were some conversations early on I had with some people like that people had to escape and they saw like maybe their neighbors burning up, or as they got out, and they don't want to go back, but they don't want their property or their last name associated with somebody coming in and building a big old mansion and gating off things and like that. So, they want to...there was some input about selling in rather than selling out if that is your decision to not come back. We had some folks reach out to us that had, right after the fire...they were elderly, they moved to Montana, then they resettled in San Luis Obispo. They're not thinking that in their lifetime that they can come back and rebuild, and they...they hold Lahaina in their heart, and they don't want it to change. And so, they're looking for these types of opportunities where they're...they don't have to just sell it to an unknown face or name. We did hear of some folks, and it hasn't been verified, where the landlord wanted to sell, and...and they made an effort to sell it to the tenants. That's just hearsay, but if that's happens like, you know, I know they're totally supportive of that as well because it's preserving the character of the community and, you know, people that are already have those connections to that land, reinforcing it. So, there's other methodologies. I think, you know, if...if they were able to like purchase it for five years, and give the family some money to live that five years, and then in five years they get their land back, you know. Or there's all kind of creative

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stuff that when you look at other places after disaster . . .*(timer sounds)*. . . of what they've done, and...and this is like one strategy. In fact, the report from Hawaiian Islands Land Trust showed the more Federal money that gets pumped in, the more disparity you see if it's not equitably distributed. And as we're seeing in Lahaina, it's not being equitably distributed.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. All right. I think initially when this came out, Tamara, I saw your name connected to this, and then you said you're not...you're not part of it or something after, and then we got the brochure and there's your picture in it. So, I don't know if you have to go and get a, you know, Ethics Board. I don't...I don't know what your...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I would just go off the same Ethics Board ruling that Member Kama got when she resigned from MEO, and then she was able to vote on the Ke Kahua project. Because I resigned from the organization.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, you were formerly part of it then.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yeah, I resigned.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, okay. So, you might want to do that. Okay. Any other questions on this? None. Okay. Let's go to the next one. J, Emergency Fund, Section 9-14, Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended; Chapter 3.96, Maui County Code. 57 million and ends up with 11...oh 77 million in this Emergency Fund. Ms. Milner? And the...and 20 million is anticipated revenue.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, the Emergency Fund was established for the purpose of funding a public emergency threatening life, health, property, or economic viability of the County. For this year, the Administration's proposed putting in 20 million as that was what was conditioned in the last fiscal year. So, this would restore the balance to approximately what it was for FY '24.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, okay. So, anybody have questions? If not, I do. Member Cook?

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Who has the authority, and what is the criteria for removing funds from that?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Go ahead.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Cook. Generally, any expenditures out of these revolving funds have to be conditioned out of the fund. So, that would be something that would come to Council to add a condition. In the last fiscal year, there was an emergency proclamation that

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suspended that requirement, so the Mayor made an appropriation out of this fund during that emergency proclamation.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Would social distress in our nonprofits qualify as a Emergency Fund use?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Go ahead.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Cook. I would probably need to defer that to Corporation Counsel. It isn't directly stated in the Code or the Charter, and I don't...I believe it has to be declared an emergency, but I'll defer to Ms. Toshikiyo.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Toshikiyo? Oh, and then Chair Lee after. Is that...did you raise your hand, Chair Lee? Okay. After this...after that question answered. Ms. Toshikiyo?

MS. TOSHIKIYO: Yes. Thank you, Chair. So, Member Cook, in Chapter 3.96 of the Code has further information on how the expenditures from the fund are made. So, like Director Milner stated, it's for public emergency threatening life, health, property, or economic viability of the County. I'm sorry, I missed what type of an expenditure you were asking about.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: I'm...I'm basically asking...I know that we're trying to not raise the budget...raise taxes or raise the budget, and also striving not to cut back on our nonprofits that are in need, and some of them have been cut back. The...the stress and the...and...yeah, the stress and trauma that's been experienced by the community because of the wildfires after COVID have...have...have...it just put the community on edge. So, to me, it looks like that is an area that we need to continue to fund, but it also is an area that the Legislature and other people are looking at to like if you considering it giving money away, but I don't consider it giving money away, I considering it...I consider it supporting the health and safe...health and emotional stability of our community. So, that's what I was asking.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Did you get that?

MS. TOSHIKIYO: I did, and that's something I'd probably have to wrap my brain around a little bit more in terms of...because we're looking at an emergency threatening, so is it a current threat to life, health, property, or economic viability, which are the requirements. So, I guess it would depend on what types of expenditures you're looking at, and whether or not it can meet the definition of any of those categories under an emergency.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Thank you, Chair.

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, Chair Lee?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. For Ms. Toshikiyo, not that I support what Member Cook is...is doing, but it is possible for us to reduce that amount in the Emergency Fund for other purposes at this point because it hasn't been approved yet. It's a proposed --

MS. TOSHIKIYO: That's correct.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: -- amount for emergency --

MS. TOSHIKIYO: That's correct.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: -- purposes right? Okay.

MS. TOSHIKIYO: That's correct. Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. Yeah.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: And our office has been asking what was spent with the 20 million during the...you know, of the...of the Emergency Fund of which...as you know, because of what Ms. Milner said, there was a emergency proclamation that the Mayor never had to ask...tell us and he could just spend, right. So, a response did come and...what is the response number? I saw you raising your hand. I was going to look through all my papers.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I don't know the number, but I just wanted to send a shoutout to Leo Caires, who made it Tamara Paltin-legible.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: . . .*(laughing)*. . . Okay. What is the Granicus number for that response so the Members can look at it.

MS. MILNER: Chair, it's number 79.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: I'm sorry, what?

MS. MILNER: Number 79.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: 79. Okay. Thanks. It's in here, but...

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, but I did have a question, that was why I was raising my hand.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I don't know who the question is for, but the question is, so we got the list of expenditures and it is what it is. And I...I know the Auditor was kind of talking about procurement, and I guess during emergency proclamation, the procurement thing is waived. But under what...like if we wanted to do a deeper dive on that, not as a part of this budget Fiscal Year '25, would it be in your Committee or Nohe's Committee, and is there a plan to do a deeper dive? Like because this is kind of the second emergency--COVID and then this one--where they're dipping into the Emergency Fund and...and spending it, and I still...I feel like five years in, six years in, whatever, I don't know the parameters of how it works. You know, and...and if we're supposed to have fiscal oversight, even if it's not fiscal oversight of emergency funds during an emergency, we get the report afterwards, and...and maybe this has something to do with procurement situations or whatever, I feel like if I don't know that, and I don't learn it, then I'm not doing my due diligence. So, I was just wondering if there is plans to follow up on that spending, any education for us on the parameters of Emergency Fund spending? And like I mean I would imagine if...if we see something that looks like whoa, we shouldn't be doing that, we would enact Code or something to...to make parameters. Like hey, we should never be doing this, or...or we should always be doing this, or whatever it is. Because the way it stands right now, emergency proclamation, Emergency Fund usage, who knows, do whatever you like, feels like, kind of.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah. So, this is something we should put in our Committee report because I think it's going to be important for future. But it...it is something that our Auditor brought up, and I agree with you, I think there is some red flags that came up that, you know, we would need to understand. I do know that the...one of the...well, the emergency proclamation even suspended the Charter, which means then it was operating like...the County of Maui was operating like a...like a private business, I guess, and not that we were the checks and balances for what was going on. That was concerning to me, and some of you, as we tried to make a change in HRS because HRS gave the County and the Mayor the ability to do that in case of emergency. But it is something that we need to take up. I agree with you, Member Paltin. Anybody else want to say anything about that? No? Okay. So, I have a recollection during COVID where I believe I can still see Mayor Victorino telling us, you know, all the things he's doing, and...and not necessarily we were happy and we're saying you need to tell us more, but at least he told us, you know. So, I appreciate that part of, you know, trying to work through COVID and the transparency, so to speak, of the Victorino Administration...whereas maybe Bissen, the emergency is bigger, I'm not sure why but, you know, things

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happened and it...it took us only now when we got the accounting basically through Finance of what the 20 million was spent for. And if you look at it, you know, some of it you might say, really? But let's have a deeper discussion. It could be in Member U'u-Hodgins' Committee or this Committee if you want to talk it from a financial perspective, but...okay.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Any other...yeah?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And then I would imagine too like...I guess this might be for Ms. Milner, some of the Emergency Fund expenses may be reimbursable. And then if FEMA does reimburse the County, would that reimbursed money go back into the Emergency Fund or the General Fund?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Good question.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. That's actually a question that I have pending for you in writing. I did the other day on the floor to Councilmember Rawlins-Fernandez say it would go back into the Emergency Fund, but I'm confirming that with Finance because I don't want to give you incorrect information, and I will respond in writing. I believe that is F...or BD-9, which you should have by early next week at the latest.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, okay. So, you thought it went back to the Emergency Fund, but you just want to verify for now?

MS. MILNER: Yes, because I want to make sure that's true. If it does go back to the General Fund, it may be a historic policy that we always include that in the transfer back to the Emergency Fund and replenish it that way. But again, I want to confirm that before I say anything to you on the...officially.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I think that's a prudent policy personally, but maybe that's just my opinion.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Okay. So, that's BD-9. We'll...we'll wait for that response. And then information on what the 20 million was used for, please look at Granicus 79 and you can review that. Item number K is Ocean Recreation [sic] Activity Fund, Section 13.04A.370, Maui County Code. Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. As you'll see, there is a proposed revision to this one, a \$45,000 increase. That's after discussions with the Parks Department and Finance. No revenue's been recorded to date, but I believe it has to do with the timing of the payment of those permits. They may not hit until the last quarter of the year, so they've asked to increase the estimated revenue as well

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as the anticipated revenue for Fiscal Year '25 to reflect that approximately \$45,000 a year.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Question...

MS. MILNER: And...oh, sorry. The purpose of this fund, these fines are for...sorry. Sorry, Chair. It's Section 13.04A.360, the penalties.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, 360.

MS. MILNER: And so, any fees collected pursuant to that are deposited into this fund and are used for implementation of the purposes of that article, which has to do with the requirement for having a permit to do certain ocean activities.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, you're going to change the Maui County Code? Is that what you just said?

MS. MILNER: No, Chair, sorry. I was just giving you the citation for the Maui County Code.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, okay. So, have we...did the Department ever increase the number of CORA permits that they issued? Or has this...I know it was such a big discussion when I first came in.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I am not sure, you would need to confirm that with the Department of Parks and Recreation whether the permits have changed over the last few years.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Any questions, Members? Seeing none. Next...oh, okay. Go.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I was wondering, you know, a lot of folks did CORA out of 505, and although I believe there were some reports that it was safe to go into the ocean, I can't imagine the CORA permit holders taking students out through Pākalā into the Breakwall area. So, did we...did we refund people's permit prices or CORA permits or...I mean I know 505 is not the only area, so if they have permits at Kanahā or other places, we will be getting revenue, but have they assessed like which permits are no longer feasible, or that the operator had all their equipment burn down, or those kind of things? Have we anticipated and reflected that in what they said, like 45,000?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Go ahead.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. I have reached out to the Director of Parks and Recreation, but if I do not hear back by the end

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of this meeting, I would recommend you follow up in writing.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Got that.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Got it, James? Thanks.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Okay. We need...sorry, we need a break. What time is it? Okay. Can...you want to come back at 3:15, Members? Okay. Recess.
...*(gavel)*...

RECESS: 2:52 p.m.

RECONVENE: 3:21 p.m.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: ...*(gavel)*... Welcome back to the Budget, Finance, Economic Development Committee. It is now 3:21. Members, I...we...we're on the Affordable Housing Fund in the Special Revenues Revolving Funds. And some Members want to leave by 4:30, so if we can pick it up, then we'll have some happy campers, but if not, then we might lose quorum. So, at this...we're on number L, Affordable Housing Fund, Section 9-20, Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended; Chapter 3.35, Maui County Code. And it says...it starts off with 29.9 million and ends up with 76.8 million. And there are specific properties...projects listed, and I'm going to just...just read. Number 2 is 6 million must be for Kuikahi Village for proposed workforce housing project, and 10 million must be for Catholic Charities Hale Pilina; 4 is 7 million for a loan to Pacific Development Group for Aikanaha; 5 is 7 million for a loan for Pacific Development Group, again for Aikanaha; and number 6 is 1.5 million for Lahaina Community Land Trust. Members, any questions?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Just a quick one.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yes?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, sorry.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Wait. Chair Lee first, and then you.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: ...*(inaudible)*...

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: ...*(inaudible)*...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Ms. Milner, we're going to do the same thing that you said for the Open Space?

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Go ahead.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. The Affordable Housing Fund conditions do lapse, so we will not add prior years here. As we discussed the other day, the estimated balance, as you can see on your spreadsheet, needs to change from 29.9 million to 767,000 because those amendments for Hale Pilina and Aikanaha passed in that interim. That's the reason for that change. And based on my discussions with Director Tsuhako, they anticipate that the three new projects that we carried over in this appendix will be encumbered by the end of this fiscal year. So, if the body would like to remove those and allocate those funds in a different way, the Administration has no objections.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And then just a quick follow up on encumbered versus spent. Like would it be possible to have an encumbered column?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Not in this. We have transmitted to the Council...I believe we just transmitted a few minutes ago BD-8, which has an attachment for affordable housing projects that have been encumbered and how much is remaining in those balances. So --

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, just like --

MS. MILNER: -- I don't know that...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: -- a separate correspondence?

MS. MILNER: Yeah, I don't know that we'd include in this file, but if any...you wanted to request that anytime, we'd be happy to provide it.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Anytime during the calendar or fiscal year?

MS. MILNER: Absolutely.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: How about tomorrow?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Wow, full service. Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Any other...Chair Lee?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: My question is for the Budget Director. So, you're...just to reiterate what you said, the two projects that we approved funding for, the Aikanaha and the other one, was what?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Hale Pilina.

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COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Catholic Charities. Okay. So, that was for a total of 14 million?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: 24.

MS. MILNER: Yeah, 24.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Because Aikanaha has two tens [sic].

MS. MILNER: It's...it's numbers 3, 4, and 5.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, two sevens. Sorry.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: So, Aikanaha is 14, right?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Uh-huh.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: So, what you did was added them again in the new FY '25. So, you're saying that we can forgo that, and then add it back into what's available. So, what's available is now what exactly?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I just need a moment to do that calculation. Thank you, Chair. What's available is a little over 40 million.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: What was the number?

MS. MILNER: 40,079,157, based on my calculations.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: How come? I thought it would be more. So, 40 --

MS. MILNER: The first...

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: -- million left?

MS. MILNER: Yes, because the available balance now is not 76 million, it is 47,649,157.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. So, there...there's a project that earmarked 7...for 7 million? Huh?

MS. MILNER: So, when we initially said this was going to be said 76 million, that was prior to the amendment passing for the Hale Pilina project and the two phases of the Aikanaha project.

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COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Right.

MS. MILNER: So, that reduces that 29.9 million down to 767,000.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Uh-huh.

MS. MILNER: And then you add that to the anticipated revenues of 46.88, and you have 47,649,157.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. And then...and I was thinking that if I...if I found extra money, I would like to add it to the Affordable Housing Fund. So, who exactly is going to administer that fund starting July 1st?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I believe that will be the Director of Housing, who will be submitted this...to this body for consideration prior to the July 1st start date. . . .*(timer sounds)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: So, the...the problem with that is this person has experience in this, you know, administering funds directly?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Go ahead.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I have not spoken with the Mayor or the Managing Director about the candidates for that position. I assume that will definitely be taken into consideration when considering people to put forward.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: God, it would be shocking if they didn't, right, your question...in my opinion.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: You know, right now, yeah, we don't always get people who have had experience.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member Johnson, Member Cook.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: On number 4 it says 7 million for a loan.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Director, does that loan funds go back into this pot?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Johnson. Yes, I believe the intent was as that loan was repaid, it would go back into the Affordable Housing Fund.

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COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Thank you. And that's just across the board, any loan from the Affordable Housing Fund will go back into the Affordable Housing Fund?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, that's the intent.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member Cook?

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Thank you, Chair. I have a couple questions. Item 2, up to \$6 million must be Kuikahi Village Workforce Housing Project. It doesn't say grant or loan, where the other ones specify.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Cook. I will confirm with the Director of DHHC. I believe that one is intended to be a grant, and we can work with OCS Staff to add that specifying language.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Okay. Thank you. And then when it's a loan, is it a negotiated variable loan, or is there a structured loan that the Department of Housing regularly deals with the developers? So, would we know what the payback ratio is and being able to predict the replenishment of the fund?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Cook. I believe they're still working on the mechanisms for the loans, but I certainly would recommend following up in writing on that, or just giving Director Tsuhako a call to confirm.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member...

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: And that would...that would help us in the future to be able to predict how much...how much money is going to be replenished into the fund when we're allocating it. Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, that's a question. Got that? Okay. So, I have a question. Then therefore, all the projects that were previously approved for the Affordable Housing Fund, June 30th is...will no longer be eligible for these

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funds?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, any appropriations that have not been encumbered by June 30th would need to be reappropriated in the subsequent year budget to be eligible for Affordable Housing Funds.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, do we have a bunch of projects that are in that category?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I believe for Fiscal Year '24 we have the new projects pending, but I believe all the others were encumbered that were included in the Fiscal Year '24 Budget as conditions.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Really? Even the Waiale project?

MS. MILNER: I can confirm that with Director Tsuhako, but I believe that any that weren't removed they anticipated encumbering, but I will confirm that.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Maybe we can...

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, that was answered. The...is it called...what was that project called, Waikapu something. Or I'm sorry...

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah, that one. Was that 10 million?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, so then that should...that will lapse then. Oh, I don't know. Okay. That's what I wanted to know. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, I was wondering if we've encumbered it, but it's not ready to go, can we move things around?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. Could you clarify what you mean by move things around?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Like...

MS. MILNER: Do you mean like you'd want to spend them on a different project if they're not ready to go?

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yeah.

MS. MILNER: Okay. No, I think once they're encumbered they remain encumbered to that project, they're not available to be spent on a different project.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: That's like the definition of encumbered. Oh, okay. Got it.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Member Cook?

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: So, my...my clarifying question, so Catholic Charities, \$10 million for a grant for the development of the Pi'ilani [sic] project. That...if they don't use it within a year, it expires? Isn't that a...isn't that a permanent commitment on behalf of the County towards that project because the projects take...sometimes take time?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Go ahead.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Cook. I believe as part of the application process for the Affordable Housing Funds, you have to show that you're at the level to be ready to at least start expending the funds. You don't have to expend it all within a year, it just...you need to be in an agreement with the County by the end of that fiscal year in order to be...to have the County encumber the funds for your use.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: So, they have to make a draw. They have to...they have to start it enough that they qualify to make a draw from the County to consider it encumbered?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I think we just have to have entered into an agreement. I don't know that they have to have drawn any funds by June 30th, but they need to be in a grant agreement or a loan agreement with the County by the end of the fiscal year in order for those funds to be considered encumbered.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Any other have...anybody else have questions regarding the Affordable Housing Fund? Okay. Seeing none. Next is Kaunoha Senior Services Leisure Program Activities Revolving Fund, Chapter 3.37, Maui County Code for 71.8...71,856, and it ends with 121,738. Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Fees and voluntary contributions collected from Kaunoha Services Leisure Program activities are deposited into this fund, and it helps recover the cost for certain special events, activities, ongoing classes, and excursions.

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, the beginning balances will change and you'll make that adjustment based upon the spreadsheet from Evan Dust?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, I'll work with OCS Staff on that.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Next, we have Alarm Service Revolving Fund, Chapter 8.34, Maui County Code. 557,000 and it ends with 635,000. And your list is less. Go ahead.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, I believe perhaps some expenditures have been made out of this fund since the initial estimate was provided.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, I have a question. So, anytime there's anything to do with alarm systems, it is taken out from this pot?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Contractual services for alarm system registrations are what's currently conditioned under this fund. That's...that's the only condition, so that's currently the only allowable use for this fund.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: And with all the buildings we have, you would think that this would be used more...and security and...and concerned. Okay. Next is Countywide Sewer Capital Improvement Reserve Fund, Section 9-14, Revised Chapter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended. It starts with 7.5 million, it ends with 7...oh the same number, and you have the same number. Comments?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. This was established by the Department of Environmental Management as allowed under the Charter to act as a reserve fund for any capital improvement projects owned by the County.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Any questions, Members? Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Was this the fund that they said that they're doing away with, and that's why the costs went up?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Go ahead.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. No, that was a different fund. I believe...I believe that was under Public Works, there was a fund that had been eliminated in a previous year. They're not doing away with the fund, they just did not include a transfer to the fund this year as a cost-saving measure. They...I believe there's an appropriation that Chair Sugimura put in there a couple fiscal years ago, but that's been the only use of the fund in the last few fiscal years. So, they felt that was a way to keep their costs down for this fiscal year in light of other considerations.

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh. But then this is not getting any anticipated revenue because of--we don't want to?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. That was a decision made by the Department not to put any additional revenue into the fund. This fund doesn't collect any fines or fees, so it has to be transferred into the fund by the Department to have that reserve. If the Committee wanted to increase that, it's at their discretion to do so.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Is it something that we could put towards like sewer in Wahikuli or something?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. It would...would that be a County-owned system?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: It would be if we put it in.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: That's the...because of the wildfire?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yeah, they're all cesspools. They got permission to re-hookup if they get inspected, but the plan was like within the next five years to install County sewer because it's just a big section of like 300 homes in between serviced neighborhoods. There's more places in West Maui that aren't serviced, but that one just makes a lot of sense because it's right next to the wastewater treatment facility, and it's in between existing sewer neighborhoods.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, I can check with Director Agawa if they feel that would be a use. I think that was one of the costs that was included as a possible use of the State funds that we put in for, but if we needed to find an alternative source, this could be a possibility.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: That's great news.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Great news.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Because maybe that'll apply to the next one. P, Upcountry Water System Expansion Capital Improvement Reserve Fund, Section 9-14, Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983) as amended. 11,183,829, and that...that's the beginning and the ending year total.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, this is another capital improvement reserve fund created by the Department of Water Supply under the authority granted by the Charter. They also have elected not to put any funds in there this year. I don't believe they've used it recently, but it does remain available if acceptable

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uses for the fund come up --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Great.

MS. MILNER: -- during the fiscal year.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Great. Because we're like same...same as Wahikuli. Chair Lee, then Member Cook.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Lesley, how long has that \$11 million been there?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Chair. I'll have to go back and check some previous fiscal year budgets to get that information for you.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: You want us to send a request?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: '19...'19? 1919, I think.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member Cook? You want us to send a question? Okay. Got that?

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: So, my question is, this...this is different than the County's...than the Department of Water Supply's meter source transmission fund?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Cook. Yes, that's my understanding. This one is specifically for the Upcountry water system expansion.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: So, where's...where's this revenue generated from?

MS. MILNER: I don't believe any specific fines or fees generate revenue. This would be something that would be transferred in by the Department, similar to the Wastewater Fund we were just discussing.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: I also would like to know what the history of the fund is, and as far as when it was funded, how much has been used, if any, and when.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. We can send that question. Okay. Very good. I would love to use something...

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair?

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, I'm sorry. Member Rawlins-Fernandez?

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. And the spreadsheet is just up, I don't know if everyone knows. It's just...I don't see everyone's faces because on Teams it's still sharing the spreadsheet . . .*(inaudible)*. . . Anyway. so, in...under this section, it cites to the Charter, Section 9-14, and . . .*(inaudible)*. . . Oh. Any unappropriated surplus and any unencumbered balances for any appropriations in any fund at the end of the year...oh, at the end of the year and any fiscal year shall be available for appropriation for the succeeding fiscal year or year. So, Section 9-14 is surplus and reserves. Funds transferred to a capital improvement reserve fund--like these--shall be expanded only for the specific improvements designated, provided that the purpose for which such capital improvement reserve fund may be expended, may be amended by ordinance, passed upon a vote of not less than seven Members of the Council. No amounts transferred into an emergency fund or a capital improvement reserve fund shall be deducted from amounts to be raised by taxes for ensuing years. So, that's the...the section that it references on the...the last two, the Countywide Sewer Capital Improvement Reserve Fund and the Upcountry Water System Expansion Capital Improvement Reserve Fund. So, they're both reserve funds that cite to this section in the Charter.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: And then...yeah. So, if...you know, and we discuss, I don't know if like Staff would like to take down spreadsheet so we can like see each other and --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, okay.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: -- not the spreadsheet.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: I think...

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: And then we can share it again later.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah, I think we put it up, Member Johnson suggested, for everybody to see. Is it okay if we take it down?

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Yeah, I have no problem with that. I just wanted to let the public know that this is what we're looking at. I think it's been up plenty of time. I --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: -- don't mind taking it down.

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Good. Then we can see --

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: No, wait. We...we can --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: -- everybody.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: -- we can put...we can put it up when...you know, when we're...when we're referencing it, and then when we're discussing it we can take it down again. It doesn't have to stay up like the entire time, you know.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Okay. You...you all let me know when you want that spreadsheet to go up again. Next...thank you. Okay. So, Members, we are now on Program [sic] Revolving Fund, Chapter 3.81, Maui County Code. And it starts off and ends with the same amount, \$489,491, and there also is the estimated amounts or balances that we got from Finance. Yes, Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. And my apologies, there was a spacing issue on the Excel spreadsheet. This should read the Economic Development and Cultural Programs Revolving Fund. So, apologies, that is one of the amendments that we have requested in our transmittal. The purpose of this fund is to provide funds for economic development and economic development programs, cultural restoration and cultural programs in the County of Maui. And that is what we try and use these funds for. We don't anticipate any revenues for this fiscal year, but we have sufficient to cover the conditions that have been included.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Chair Lee?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Which item did you put in? Did you add to the budget, and for how much?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. No, we did not add anything to the budget, we just requested that the title be corrected because as you can see, it starts with the word "programs," it's missing "economic development and cultural" because of a spacing issue in our Excel spreadsheet. So, the first word for Q should be Economic, not Programs.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. You're on...what did you say, Q? Okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Thank you.

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Q. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. Is this a new one or is it a carryover from a previous fiscal year? Because Puamana is...is kind of like...it's been an ongoing situation.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member...Miss...Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. No, this fund has been in the budget for the last several years.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, I meant the...the (1) --

MS. MILNER: Oh, sorry.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: -- proposal, I guess.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: For Puamana.

MS. MILNER: Yes, my apologies. Similar language was included last year. It did name a specific organization. This year we've chosen not to, just to broaden the options for folks who might be able to use those funds for this purpose.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I guess the question is, was it used last year?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. I don't believe it was used. A right-of-entry was issued, but I believe it ended up lapsing, which is one of the reasons I think they want to look into multiple organizations who might be able to do this work.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And part of it is probably because one month after it was available, everything burnt up, and that individual organization was doing the other things. So, it didn't get used, so we're just doing it again, and we're making it broader?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. Yes, that's correct.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And...and you said this is the Economic and Cultural Programs Revolving Fund?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, the Economic Development and Cultural Programs Revolving Fund.

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: So, I...I was also wondering if...is...is there any correlation between Q and our district funds? Because they're kind of called economic development and cultural as well, or are they completely separate different things?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. No, they're completely separate. I think they both address economic development, but they're considered separate.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. Thanks.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, if I could ask on this, Ka'ehu Bay, they testified at the public hearing we just had, and they are County property and no funding, I think is what they said, and they were looking for 250,000. So, is this where the Administration could use and help them? Ka'ehu Bay.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. If you know the specific purpose for the funds, I mean I think it sounds like that could be a use of this fund, depending on how they wanted to use the 250,000.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Okay. Anybody else? None. Okay. R, Fireworks Auditor Fund, Chapter 3.95, Maui County Code. 124 to start, and it ends up with 128,500. This must be the permit fees.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, fees for licenses or permits required by Section 132D-7, HRS, are to be deposited into the fund. And the fees are set forth in Appendix B.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: You would think this would be bigger, considering how much fireworks we have that goes on, but that's just an observation. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I...I think I tried to change this and up the fees before, but it's regulated by HRS, right, so no can.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And then it's not everything, I think it's only the...the noisemaking kind. Like if you like sparklers or fountains, that's...you don't need no permit for that, right?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah. Yeah. And this is \$25.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Only...only the kind bang . . . *(inaudible)*. . .

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah, the firecracker kind. Fireworks.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Fire...firecracker.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Fire. The...the...whatever it's called, the string one. Okay. Next. S, Hawaiian Cultural Restoration Revolving Fund Chapter 3.3...oh, I'm sorry.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: I...I --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member Johnson?

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: -- had a question about the fire --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: -- for Ms. Milner. So, we have big events on Lānaʻi, the Pineapple Festival, and a lot of them, funds go towards the fireworks. Are they paying...do they pay for these fireworks permits after they get a grant from the County? Like are we kind of...the money going in a circle there. if you see what I mean? Like if they ask for a grant, we give them the grant, and they turn around and pay the permits with it, is that what's...does that happen?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Johnson. I would have to look at the specific budget for that. You know, sometimes they have outside funds that pay for different parts of it, so they may use those for the permit fees and not the County funds. Because you're right, that would be a really circular use. But we can definitely look into that.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Okay. Please do. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. S, Hawaiian Cultural Restoration Revolving Fund, Chapter 3.38, Maui County Code. 1.1 million, ends with 1.2. Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. The proceeds collected from the parking concession located on the County parking lot in Lahaina are deposited into this fund. We anticipate possibly some revenue from this fund next year, we've included it, but as we all know, that is currently suspended at the moment. So, that remains to be seen whether that will be collected.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yes, Chair...Chair Lee?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Just wanted to let you know, the \$250,000 listed there is

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what we put in last year for Ke‘eaumoku Kapu’s project.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Moku‘ula.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member Kama, what are you saying?

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Asking that if we did give 250 to the organization, what were they going to...what were they supposed to do with it?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Restoration.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, are you...are you asking for an update of these funds? What was...yeah?

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: That’s what I was asking.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, we can maybe get an update.

MS. MILNER: Yeah, thank you, Chair. I think this was similar to our earlier discussion, a right-of-entry was granted, but then ended up expiring due to the events in August. They...I spoke with the Department, and we decided to include these funds again, but not a specific, just to broaden the possibility of who might be able to use those funds. There’s also the State proposal to take into consideration, which may render these...this appropriation moot, but we’re still waiting on the State’s plan for this area.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, next...

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, yes?

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: I still have a question. So...so my understanding was that this fund was the money received from the parking lot specifically for the project, Moku‘ula. So, are we changing what the use is for now? Yeah.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

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VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Well, I just...but if you're saying it's for...

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Kama. No, we would not change the use of this fund without an ordinance.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, we'll still send that question, yeah? Okay.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: All right. We can move on. So, next we have Employee Parking Fees Fund, 3.26, Maui County Code. And it's 242,000, ends with 278. Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. This fund was established for the purpose of providing funding for maintenance, repairs, security, safety improvements, beautification, expansion, and other costs related to providing County employee parking services. So, that's what the conditional language is here in this fund, to help maintain the employee parking facilities around the County.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Any questions? No questions? Next.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, I just had a question on the 50,000. Is that brand new, or is it a similar thing where we didn't take it up because as soon as...like one month later, fire?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. That's actually a condition we've included for the last several years in order to make these funds available for improvements, lighting, and security measures. So, I don't know off the top of my head how much was used over the last fiscal year. I can check in the Budget Details and give you '22 and '23, but that condition is included every year so that the funds are available.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: So, when they...the OCS did the Kaulana...Kalana Pakui, I think, is the other one, and they put like motion sensor lights near the door, which also illuminate the parking lot, would that count as for that, or it's different from our CIP for OCS?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I'm not sure how those lights were paid for if they were paid with the CIP or with this. Because they're attached to the building, that may be considered part of the CIP. They're not one of the independent lights in the parking lot, but I'm not sure which funds were used to pay for those things.

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, maybe they just put it like in case they need to fix the lights or something, and then it's there, and they don't need to come to us for an amendment. Like oh, the light's out, we need to change the light or something.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. Yes. And as you all know, last year they repainted the parking lot in front of Kalana Pakui. I think it covers things like that.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Next, U, Maui Interscholastic League Fees Fund, Chapter 3.39, Maui County Code. and started off with 90,000, ends with 103. And can you explain how this fund...this gets replenished? And we did hear from MIL...I don't know if his title is director or secretary or president, Joe Balangitao, that he wants to access these funds.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. So, all fees paid to the Department of Parks and Recreation for Hawai'i high school athletic events, that's what's deposited into this fund. And the funds are to be used for grants to County high schools participating in Maui Interscholastic League for sports-related travel expenses and sporting events. I believe this fund is overseen by the Department of Parks and Recreation, so I think if he were to reach out to the Department, they could work with the Department of Management on adding a condition under here to allow access to the funds, or specifying grants to certain high schools if we know which schools need the funds.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, you're saying that MIL has to communicate with Parks, and they will have full access of these funds, or it has to be conditioned?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. No funds can be expended out of Appendix A, Part II, without conditions. So, we would need to amend the budget to add a condition.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Next, we have V, as in Victor, County Parks Special Revolving Fund, Section 3...13.04A.460, Maui County Code. And it's zero in the fund. How did that happen? What happened to the funds?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. This fund has been at zero for the last several years. There have been no deposits into the fund for quite a few years, I believe.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. W, Special Management Area Revolving Fund, Chapter 3.49...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, I...I had --

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, sorry. You have a question.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: -- a question on V. Can we do away with it, or is it supposed to be like the park fees go in there? Probably not park fees because we have a breakdown of our districts' park fees. Can we just get rid of this fund then if it's been zero for several years?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Go ahead.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I can confirm that with the Parks Department if you could include that in the letter.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Got it, James?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: They might have a special reason, right? We might have some funding...funding later. W, Special Management Area Revolving Fund, Chapter 3.49, Maui County Code.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

CHAIR SUGIMURA: And 1.4 million, and it ends with 1.6 --

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: . . .*(inaudible)*. . . I know but how . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

CHAIR SUGIMURA: -- almost 1.7 million. And in there is a condition, up to 100 must be...100,000 must be for cultural [*sic*] erosion at Mā'alaea, including a feasibility study and design for Kanaio Stream restoration.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Coastal erosion.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, coastal erosion. So, these...this fund, any civil fines collected pursuant to Chapter 205A, HRS, are to be deposited in the fund. Application fees for SMA assessments and permits and shoreline setback variances collected by the Department of Planning are also deposited into the fund. I believe if there are any questions about that 100,000 condition, those were addressed in either Planning-1 or Planning-2 letter, which should be in Granicus.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Any questions, Members? Seeing none. Next, X, Experimental and Demonstration Housing Project [*sic*] Fund, Chapter 16.28, Maui County Code. And it's all zero. It did have a million in there previously,

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and I believe the Wailuku Union Church--I forget the name of their project for this land back here by the library, or in the back of Queen Ka'ahumanu Church--has a project going with it. But what is the status of this fund?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I believe that was addressed in the Housing-3 letter, what was going on with the fund. I know they didn't want to get rid of it, they wanted to give the new Director of Housing an opportunity to address the possibilities of the fund. But for this year, it was just maintained at zero because there were no specific projects intended for the fund as of yet.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Any questions, Members? So, I...I wish that there would be funds in there so that when the Director...or this new Director comes, he has stuff to, you know, work with.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: He or she.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: He or she will have, you know, projects to work with. But...okay. Y, Disposal of Vehicle Fees Fund, Chapter 3.27, Maui County Code. 11.9 million to start and ends with 14. So, Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. This fund is made up of all fees paid by vehicle owners for vehicle disposal, which is set forth in Appendix B of the Budget Ordinance. And it was established solely for the purpose of providing funding for the County Vehicle Disposal Program to try and simplify the process for residents to properly dispose of unwanted vehicles.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Any questions? Seeing none. Okay. Next, Z, Homeowner Program [sic] Revolving Fund, Chapter 3.34, Maui County Code. And this is the \$30,000 for the First-Time Homebuyers Program. Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. As you know, this was updated in the last fiscal year by this Council and changed the name of the fund, and this will be overseen by the new Director of Housing. What's deposited in here, any Council appropriations to the First-Time Homebuyers Program or any ID...IDP...sorry, the Individual Development Program account, the 'Ohana Assistance Program account, or a shared equity program account, and any money granted or donated to the County for this purpose.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Chair Lee, you have a question? Yeah?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: This is the 'Ohana Assistance Program, right?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, funds were conditioned under this line item for the 'Ohana Assistance Program last year.

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COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Yeah. And then people can access up to 100,000. I'm not questioning, I'm just saying.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, okay.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: She said 30,000.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, that's for First-Time Homebuyers, 30,000 each. Did that...

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: I misheard you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, okay. So, that's separate program.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Chair, if I can mention something?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, sorry about that. Go ahead.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: For 30,000 for a first-time homebuyer, that...that is nothing. I mean --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: That's low.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: -- with that...when you look at that, it's almost like the price of...for some folks to apply that might...it might not even be worth it when you're looking at all the money that they're working on to get a small grant like that. Just saying that \$30,000, in this day and age for a first-time homebuyer, is really small.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, you want to increase it?

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Yes.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: We're going to do that.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Okay. He's right because if you go out and buy a house today, right, they usually want 20 percent down. So, this is...take a \$900,000 house, 20 percent of 900,000 is? I'm not the mathematician.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Let's do 20 percent of 100,000 then...

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Then it's easier.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Then it's...no, that's right, right? So, it doesn't --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: -- it doesn't equate. So, we should increase it.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Hold that thought, Member Johnson.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: ...*(inaudible)*... average price is a million, so then
...*(inaudible)*...

CHAIR SUGIMURA: AA, Moloka'i Farming Cost Reimbursement Program Fund, Chapter 3.76, Maui County Code. And it started off with 146,725, and it ended with the same number. Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. This fund was established for the purpose of carrying out a cost reimbursement program in accordance with Act 387, the Session Laws of Hawai'i. We were given a set amount from the State, and that is what will remain in the fund until it is expended.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, how does it...I mean how does Molokai access this? I don't understand.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. They can qualify for up to a \$5,000 grant for the costs of complying with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration Food Safety Act and State of Hawai'i food safety law. There is an application process that they can go through to access those funds, which I believe are administered by the Office of Economic Development.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, that sounds like it's for...yes, Chair Lee?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: I'd like to ask a question on the previous item after this one is done.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Any questions on this? Okay. None. So, go ahead. You want to go back to the Homeowner Program Revolving Fund?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Yeah.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

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COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Just to let people that I already increased the fund. Because we receive at least several phone calls a week on this 'Ohana Assistance Program, and that's why we have worked hard with the Administration to help them put admin rules together --

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: -- so that we can get this moving. So, what I'm saying is that if anybody else wants to increase the...the other part of this program having to do with down payments, we need to add more money because this --

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: -- this fund doesn't have enough to go around.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Thanks.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: What was it, a million dollars? What did you put?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, there's 1.7 million in there now.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Yeah.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Well, I don't know if this number is...needs to be updated.

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: We got to increase the fund, right?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: You're going to see it in my proposal tomorrow.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: So --

VICE-CHAIR KAMA: Oh, okay. Then . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: -- so in other words, you have to...everybody has to put their heads together, figure out how to get more money from other places.

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. So, we'll hear then, right?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. We'll wait for Chair Lee's proposal.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Next we'll go back to this, BB, Managed Retreat Revolving Fund. It now...it started...started off with 12, ended up with 24. Any questions? I think Chair Lee said something about this earlier.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Yeah.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah? Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Actually, my proposal will be...and you will see set aside 5 million for the Lahaina Trust Fund. But I...I would encourage other people to even increase that amount because it's so critical to help our people decide how to move on with their lives, whether they want to sell it and...but sell it to local people, to a local nonprofit, or to try and build. And I know people are having a difficult time with this because they want to make sure that if they do sell it, it's going to be remaining in...you know, in the hands...in the hands of the . . .*(timer sounds)*. . . Lahaina people. So, honestly, I don't think the...the priority should be using this money for now to put up T-groins or things like that. You know, I think that may be down the road, but for now, let's take care of the area that has been destroyed. Thanks.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: . . .*(inaudible)*. . . need to ask Corp. Counsel later, I guess. Oh, I'm sorry. Member Sinenci?

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you, Chair. So, for Ms. Milner, this...this fund can be used for acquisition --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: -- of property?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I know the original intent was perhaps to help relocating buildings further inland, so I think we'd have to discuss exactly how the conditional language would be structured to make sure it fell under the allowable uses of the fund.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Are you okay, Member Sinenci?

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you.

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: You're fine? Okay. Chair Lee?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Many of the properties are within the SMA, so it obviously has to fit the description and the intent of this fund.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Have to get a map. Any other thoughts on this? Okay. Understand. Next, CC, General Excise Tax Fund, Chapter 3.10 [sic], Maui County Code. And the projects listed here and condition is 5 million for Kamole Weir Water Treatment Facility in Makawao, and number 2 is up to 5.5 million for Wastewater Pump Station #5 in Lahaina, and up to 5.5 million must be for Wastewater Pump Station #6 in Lahaina. And Ms. Milner?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: You have another sheet somewhere?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: And there's...and there's 36 million in here. It's...it's in the Code. I'm sorry, Bill 60, proposed...

MS. MILNER: Yeah. Thank you. It should be page 50 of Bill 60.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah. 50, 5-0.

MS. MILNER: Page 50, 5-0. Did have an update, I believe the Department of Finance provided this information to you all as well, but we have received an amount from the State on how much we can expect to receive in this fiscal year. So, we would ask the body to amend CC and DD to reflect this amount. So, we anticipate a total amount of 13,835,741. So, that would be 11,068,593 into CC, and 2,767,148 into DD.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Can you say that again?

MS. MILNER: Yes. Thank you, Chair. Total anticipated from the State is 13,835,741, which would mean 11,068,593 would go into the GET line item, and 2,767,148 would go into the GET DHHL line item.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. I got it. Questions?

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Question.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Member Paltin, then Member Cook.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Member Cook can go first.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: So, that...those funds are in addition to these funds, or these funds were an estimate and that was what was...

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Go ahead.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Cook. So, these...the numbers I just gave you would go into the first column, the estimated balance column, and the anticipated revenues would remain the same for Fiscal Year '25.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I thought that we were estimating 45 million for this fiscal year for GET revenues. Was that...but it says 36 million.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, we're estimating 45 million overall, but 20 percent of that has to go into DHHL per the Maui County Code. So, 36 million are in lines CC, and 9 million is in line DD.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, I see. And then my other question, I don't know if it's for Corp. Counsel, but can we, in our deliberations of things, increase it to total anticipated revenue to 55 million based on what they sent us for January and February, March 2024, averaging that, multiplying it by 12, and boom, boom, boom?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Did the math. Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. And I see Ms. Toshikiyo is there as well. I would probably advise that you check with Department of Finance because we only have one quarter of actual numbers to go with, so we don't know what the fluctuations will be over the next few quarters, which is why I think we estimated it at 45. But you could talk to Department of Finance and we'd be happy to have that conversation, as well about what might be...if it would make sense to make any changes to that number. But I think --

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yeah.

MS. MILNER: -- if we talked about it, you could...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Because I read that they're anticipating a decline in tourism, which is understandable, but it didn't seem as though they were anticipating the building and...and hauling and all of those things going on...like GET taxes on the rebuild, and all those things. So, it's like yeah, we're...we're not as gangbusters in tourism, which I'm okay with, but we are doing other kinds of economic development, and the GET is kind of a regressive tax where you pay on every single thing you do...it...it...whether it's tourism, construction, agriculture, whatever. So, I just was...I...I feel like even though it's one quarter estimate, it's...it's realistic.

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MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. Yeah, I think it's realistic, and if it appears once we get the first, you know, quarters' payments that things have changed significantly from what we've seen so far, we could always come in for an amendment if we have concerns about not meeting those numbers...if you decide to raise it to 55.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yeah, but if you come in for an amendment, we can't tell you how to spend it, you guys...it's an up or down. If we do it in this process, then we can say if it comes in then we'd want it to go to A, B, and C, or whatever.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. No, I was saying if you wanted to raise it now, and it came in lower than we expected, then we could come in for an amendment just to correct the actuals.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, okay. Yeah, I'd love to do that. Thanks for asking.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Cook?

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Thank you, Chair. Member Paltin's question or statement just made me question, is FEMA or the National Guard exempt from GET? Are they paying GET to all their...all their contractors?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Cook. I'm not aware that there's any exemption for FEMA from GET, but we could certainly check with Management, and I would imagine they or their consultants would have an answer for that.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: I would hope not, but I just would like to check.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, FEMA paid TAT for all the people in the hotels, so that might give you an indication. Okay. Next is EE, Parking Revenue Fund Chapter 3.31, Maui County Code. And it is zero. I believe that this is for the Wailuku parking structure.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, this is part of the Park Maui legislation that was passed. We're not anticipating any revenue for this year because the program is still very new. So, we hope to see some revenue in that going forward, but for this year we just wanted to get the fund established in the Appendix A, Part II, and we'll reflect revenues going forward.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Chair Lee?

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COUNCILMEMBER LEE: But what about the expenses going forward? I mean what's...what's covering those expenses, and what are those expenses monthly?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Ms. Milner?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Chair Lee. The Park Maui expenses are included under the Department of Transportation's budget under the Park Maui Program. I don't have a monthly breakdown of those expenses, but maybe...I...I don't know if we're far enough into the process to have a really good monthly breakdown yet, they just started charging within the last few months, I believe.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Does the Highway Fund pay for that? Because I know it funds Transportation.

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. If you'll give me a moment, I can confirm.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: She's going through her magic box.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Oh, while you're looking at that, can you check, what is the source of the Managed Retreat Fund, is it from real property taxes?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: TAT.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Oh, TAT?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Chair Lee. Park Maui is out of the General Fund.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: The General Fund.

MS. MILNER: And per a Code...a new section of the County Code that was passed, I believe, last fiscal year, 20 percent of the TAT is placed into the Managed Retreat Fund.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Then why is it the same, 12 million, 12 million?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Chair Lee. The estimated revenue for last year and this year remain the same for the TAT, 60 million.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: If you didn't spend anything in the Managed Retreat Fund last year, then it doubles this year.

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Thank you, Chair. Yes, that's correct. The anticipated balance for Fiscal Year '24 is 24 million...or '25 is 24 million.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Oh, okay. Thank you.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I thought that we recognized 85 million in actual revenue from the TAT?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. I believe Fiscal Year '23, that was the approximate recognized revenue.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, that was before the thing was...

MS. MILNER: I think it was before it went into effect. We probably should have a conversation about how that works, if the expectation is if there's additional revenue, 20 percent of that additional revenue would go in, or if it's just what's budgeted. But maybe we can do that this fiscal year.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Or even if it's less because it's all an estimate.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. We can have that discussion, yeah? Okay. Okay. We're at the end of the Revolving Funds. Any last-minute questions?

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, go ahead, Member Rawlins-Fernandez.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I've been raising my hand for a long time. So, I believe when Member Paltin introduced that bill for the Managed Retreat Fund to create it, it was for all revenue, so I don't think there's a question about whether if there's more than actual...more actual funds than was budgeted. Whatever revenue comes in, 20 percent of that is supposed to go into the Managed Retreat Fund. I don't think we have to discuss that, I think that's in the Code. And then for the Parks Revolving Fund, I looked that up. So, that's V, County Park Special Revolving Fund, and Ordinance 4437 explains that the purpose of that fund is for the Parks awarding and administering of concessions and sponsorships, and establishment of the fund to deposit all funds received from concessions and sponsorships. And it was passed in 2017. And so, because we still haven't done any concessions or sponsorships in our parks, that's why the fund remains zero. And if there's any plan to...to do that, which I think there is, then it would be prudent of us to not remove that fund.

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And that's all.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Good point. So, this is a Riki Hokama item that we worked on many meetings to create this ordinance, and the idea was to have concession fees for use of...at the parks. Okay. Point well taken. Anything else before we leave all of this? Okay. So, we're almost at the end of our meeting, Members.

RESOLUTION 24-77

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, additional legislation is what we also wanted to talk about. And Resolution 24-77 authorizes the Mayor to grant and dispose of approximately .2088 acres of undeveloped property located at 266 Dickenson Street, Lahaina, Hawai'i, to the Lahaina Community Land Trust to develop affordable housing. And anybody have questions regarding that? Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, that was my introduction. Can I...can I say it...say the things?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. Cool. So, we are drafting probably some sort of amendment to this. Mr. Hironaka did mention that when we acquired it, there was actually like a little 1,200-square-foot parcel that was acquired with it, but it has a separate TMK. So, we're just going to put them together because what can you do with a 1,200-square-foot parcel along the edge of the highway? So, that's one amendment that should be coming down soon, or when we get to like decisions. But you want me to go into the history of it? Is that okay? Okay. So, back in probably our first term, Member Sugimura's second term, we did a site visit. This is right across from Maria Lanakila Sacred Heart's cafeteria area. Super narrow street, they don't allow big trucks to turn right. And this gentleman wanted to build a three-story apartment building on the lot, and the Planning Department had like their Dead Sea Scrolls where they told them the zoning was something else than what it was actually was. And then when he bought it, they're like oh, no, joking, this is what the zoning actually is. And then...so, he went through the process with us to try and get the zoning changed, but the school was like no way, three-story apartment building right where like our cafeteria is, and the neighbors kind of came out against it, and so we were going to deny the Change in Zoning [sic]. And then there was talks about lawsuits. And then...so, Member Sugimura convinced the Administration to purchase the property to like squash the issue. Then I think Member Sugimura and myself tried to approach other land trusts in existence at that time. They have like some sort of standards where it's on the corner of a highway, across the street from a gas station, where it didn't fit their portfolio

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acceptance, I guess. And so, you know, then we were just holding on to it for a bunch of years and not creating any affordable housing. The original family that lived there, there were these like historic mango trees, but the gentleman had an arborist, and they were like rotten, so he was able to cut it down and whatnot. And so...then I approached the land trust if it was something that they would be interested in acquiring for affordable housing, and they were like yes. And so, that's the proposal to, after several years, actually have some affordable housing. But, of course...I don't think there's any right-of-entry because it was just fenced, vacant lot, and they said with the current zoning, no Change in Zoning, it would be SMA, probably historic, but you could legally, without changing the zoning or anything, build...I believe they said a duplex or some sort of multifamily. So, that's the proposal. Like we're not creating any affordable housing, just holding on to it, so hopefully we can get like a family, maybe...maybe a lineal descendant to that property back on there if...if it works out correctly. So, that's my legislative proposal.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: I like that. So, this, we'll see, and we'll have it on decisions week.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I have one more legislative proposal that I'm trying to get on the agenda this Friday for a direct referral.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, you have to talk about it in general as an idea --

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: -- as a hope.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. So, not last night, but the night before when we were at the...and generally speaking, at the homeowners' meeting, it turns out that not very many, but a few--handful or so that I know of Lahaina fire survivors--took their insurance money and self-relocated themselves into housing in Central Maui, purchased homes. And with all...everything what happened, and they didn't make the deadline for homeowner-occupied because, you know, they just were like discombobulated and not in on it. And Ms. Martin also was working with them. They've been calling me. We're thinking maybe emergency proclamation or something like that. But apparently, Ms. Martin is working on something as well, when we reached out to her, and she's okay with us introducing it as part of this process, a Code change, to allow transferability for specifically burn-zone survivors that had their house burn down be able for like one year or whatever past the deadline, transfer their homeowner exemption and owner-occupied status to their new house. And then after that initial year, they're going to have to make a decision because only...we only waived the property taxes in the burn zone for this year. So, if they're going to rebuild back on their property and sell their house that they just bought or whatever, they'll have to make a decision. But it'll just give

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them that gap year because I guess, you know, a lot of them had this huge shock, they don't...I guess normal people don't...only look at their own taxes, and then when they seen that they were going from owner-occupant to nonowner-occupant, what that looks like, they were like I don't have that 6,000, 10,000, however much money. And so, that's a proposal generally speaking, that will come down hopefully not this Friday, but to be posted on next Friday's agenda for BFED as a direct referral.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Chair Lee?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Hopefully I said the thing right, but I'm sure somebody smarter than me will figure it out.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Okay. So, that was your...it's an idea, a wish, it's not a propose...it's not a bill-bill. All right.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Not a bill yet, it's just a generally speaking --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: -- idea that apparently, parallelly, the Administration was working on, and I was trying to...they...the idea that I had to address it, nobody wanted it, they thought it was super messy. So, they said I could go with the idea that they'd been working on and it would be faster.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: All right. We like Ms. Martin. Okay. So, any more questions on that? No? Okay.

BILL 70 (2024)

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, Bill 70 is a cleanup bill relating to the Highway Beautification, Abandoned Vehicles, Tourism Related, Traffic Congestion Revolving Fund. Anybody have any questions regarding that? Okay. Then...you got your thing done, I got my thing done. We are done with this meeting unless if anybody has anything else. So, what we're going to do is to receive all of your proposed priorities and conditions, tomorrow...at your meeting, Chair, we're going to...this meeting is going to be recessed until 1:30. And we're going to convene, all of us, if you don't mind, at 1:30 during your Council meeting, receive written

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copies of the matrix that Staff has been working on so you can see what everybody's wish list is for this Fiscal Year '25 Budget, and that'll be done. Am I...are we going to do anything else besides that? Anything else we're missing?

MR. KRUEGER: Chair, no, that's it. Yeah, we're...we're planning to distribute the...the priority matrix at that time. If we do end up getting the...the RPT certification tomorrow, we'll also distribute the hard copies, the booklets, that...that comes with it. If we get it before your . . . *(inaudible)* . . . convene.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. I think we're planning on getting it on Monday though, right, the RPT booklets, binders, folders?

MS. MILNER: Thank you, Chair. I believe the discussion will be on Monday, but I just checked with Director of Finance, and they do plan to deliver the RPT books tomorrow.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, great. Oh, we'll have the weekend to review it. Okay. So, 1:30 tomorrow, we'll get two things then. One is the matrix, which is your...your docu--...your document, and then...God, that's great. It's actually early. So, appreciate that. And so, this meeting is now going to be in recess until 1:30, Chair Lee, after...when...if you break for lunch then. But...oh. Oh, we have to say the same link. And...anything else? Oh, same meeting location. Same in meeting...in-person location. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: So, we feel like we could finish the Council meeting at 1:30, gavel in, receive the certification, gavel out. We're not doing like real other work, right?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: It's up to Chair Lee, that part. I'm just trying to squeeze into her meeting after, I think, recess at 1:30.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, just to receive those documents.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah, receive the documents.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: We're not going to like discuss them or anything?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: No discussion.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Just receive it, and then that's it --

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: -- for BFED tomorrow?

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. Just clarifying.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Chair Lee, you're okay with that, right?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: That's fine, but...I mean people might have some questions, you know. You...you're open to taking questions on...

CHAIR SUGIMURA: We can take...as long as...

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Yeah.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Well, yeah. Monday, we're actually going to discuss it, but if you...if you have . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. No questions. You heard the bosses, no questions.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Actually, that's what Monday is about, but in case you had like oh, this font is too small or something like that, then we can address that. But in general, it's just this...it's just going to be receiving the information to be transparent and Sunshine. So, that was the purpose of the 1:30 meeting. And it's great to hear, we'll get the real property tax. Wow, that's early. All right. Members, anything else? This meeting is now...

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Oh, did I see...oh, sorry, Member Sinenci.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: I was just curious...thank you. And...and we can wait until tomorrow too, but if there are any duplications of...of priorities from the Members, we'll discuss it tomorrow?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: We're...we'll...we can talk about it on Monday. We'll start in decisions week.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah. So, be kind of interesting to see where all your thoughts are. And thank you very much, everybody.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Yeah.

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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Anything else?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Chair?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yes, Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Is the matrix on...going to be distributed tomorrow too, or that's on Monday?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: That's the purpose. Yeah. And then you're going to put it online, right, after that. Okay. So, you're going to receive it and then simultaneously, it'll be uploaded to Granicus; is that the plan?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: So, what is the plan for next week? Like how do we prepare for next week?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: So, we're going to hear from Real Property Tax in --

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: On Monday.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: -- in Monday...on Monday, and then we can review the...you know, the matrix, but I am planning on taking up decisions week, which will begin Monday, by using Bill 60. So, all your notes that you have been writing in Bill 60 will become very handy because we're going to go department by department, not necessarily...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I will email my...my amendments and stuff. But I was wondering the format that you wanted to go through because Bill 60 doesn't have like the rates and fees as you go department by department. So, do you want us to go through all Bill 60, A through whatever, and then come back and go through rates and fees.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And then come back go through CIPs. Is that your...your format?

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Yeah, we'll put it in a format like that so it'll...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: That way. Okay.

CHAIR SUGIMURA: Otherwise we got to flip back and forth, right, department that has all those things and not. So, I just...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I just wanted to know how to format my submission.

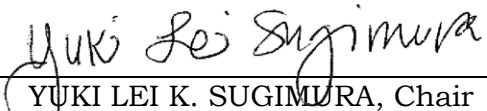
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CHAIR SUGIMURA: Okay. Thank you, everybody. This meeting is in recess until 1:30. Thank you, Chair Lee. . . .*(gavel)*. . .

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