

## IEM Committee

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**Sent:** Friday, February 23, 2018 1:05 PM  
**To:** IEM Committee  
**Subject:** PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR FEBRUARY 26, 2018 MEETING. LOWER NAHIKU BRIDGE HEALTH AND SAFETY CONCERNS (NAHIKU) (IEM-10)  
**Attachments:** WebPage.pdf

Aloha Council Services,

Please confirm receipt and distribute my public testimony for the 2-26-2018 meeting.

Mahalo,

John

Aloha Chair Cochran and Committee Members,

**The proposed "Resolution" on the Agenda for 2-26-2018 (IEM-10) is premature and should NOT be passed.**

Why premature? Please read the following State House Resolution from 2008. **Yes, that is 2008!** Your "homework" is not done.

The current **proposed** Council Committee Resolution states, "URGING THE MAYOR TO TAKE THE STEPS NECESSARY TO ACQUIRE AND REPLACE THE LOWER NAHIKU BRIDGE. The purpose of the proposed resolution is to urge the Mayor to take the steps necessary to acquire and replace the Lower Nahiku Bridge, located on Lower Nahiku Road, Nahiku, Maui, Hawaii."

I suggest you;

- 1) Recommend a **legal survey of the bridge easement in conjunction with a full, comprehensive and legally supported "Title Report"**. Your committee has stated previously you have only a "preliminary" title report with **no legal survey**. This is not adequate or legally supported.
- 2) Recommend the title report shall include legally supported evidence the County of Maui has legal access from the Hana Highway to the bridge. In past meetings, your committee has stated the County of Maui may not have legal jurisdiction over ANYTHING.

3) Recommend the title report examine the County of Maui jurisdiction, **if any**, from the makai side of the bridge to the “new” landing. Your committee has previously stated the county has no jurisdiction in this specific area.

4) Recommend inclusion in the title report of oral history and historical documents, including maps, of the Nahiku Rubber Company and all other **possible** users of the “old” and “new” landings.

5). Recommend that an Environmental Impact Statement **shall** be completed as required by Hawaii Revised Statute 343. The proposed resolution would certainly trigger and require the use of large amounts taxpayer funds.

6) Recommend the title report legally examine the County of Maui **jurisdiction and liability** in closing of the bridge and **denial of access rights to private taxpaying landowners on the makai side of the bridge, Nahiku community residents, Nahiku homesteaders and other historical and cultural users.**

Thank you for your carefull consideration of these recommendations and the careful consideration of previous testimony offered by the public orally and in writing over many years.

Malama Pono Nahiku!

John Blumer-Buell

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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO INVESTIGATE  
AND ASSIST IN THE RESOLUTION OF THE ISSUE OF OWNERSHIP OF  
NAKIHU BRIDGE AND LOWER NAHIKU ROAD.

1           WHEREAS, the safety of residents of the Hana district of  
2 the county of Maui may be at risk because of the condition of  
3 Nahiku Bridge; and  
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5           WHEREAS, presumably because of Nahiku Bridge's current  
6 weight rating, the Maui Fire Department fears for the safety of  
7 its firefighters when crossing the bridge; and  
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9           WHEREAS, regarding ownership, the Department of Land and  
10 Natural Resources defers to the Department of Transportation,  
11 which claims that Nahiku bridge is the responsibility of Maui  
12 County; and  
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14           WHEREAS, uncertainty in jurisdiction over Lower Nahiku Road  
15 frustrates many residents calling for its maintenance, repair,  
16 or improvement; and  
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18           WHEREAS, sometime after the completion of Hana Highway (the  
19 "Road to Hana") in the 1950s, Maui County stopped almost all  
20 maintenance on the old government road that connected Hana town  
21 to Nahiku, also known as the Lower Nahiku Road; and  
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23           WHEREAS, the matter of jurisdictional responsibility for  
24 Nahiku Bridge and Lower Nahiku Road must be resolved to protect  
25 the safety and well-being of residents and visitors of the Hana  
26 district; now, therefore,  
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28           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
29 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
30 Session of 2008, that the Department of the Attorney General is  
31 requested to investigate and make a determination on the issue  
32 of ownership of Nahiku Bridge and Lower Nahiku Road in the Hana  
33 District of Maui; and  
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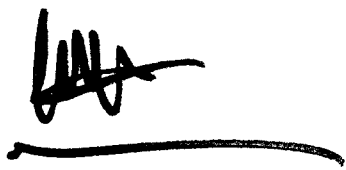
1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of  
2 Transportation is requested to estimate the cost of making:

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- 4 (1) Upgrades to the Nahiku bridge that will result in
- 5 strengthening, repairing, increasing its load limit,
- 6 and improving the bridge to provide safe access to the
- 7 Hana district by the Maui county fire department; and
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- 9 (2) Repairs to the Lower Nahiku Road that protect the
- 10 safety and well-being of Hana district residents; and
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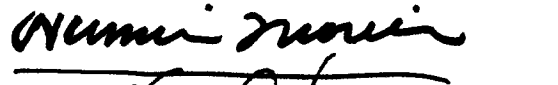

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the resolution of the  
13 issue of ownership of Nahiku Bridge and Lower Nahiku Road, and  
14 no less than thirty days after the Department of Transportation  
15 receives the Department of the Attorney General's report  
16 regarding jurisdiction over Nahiku Bridge and Lower Nahiku Road,  
17 the Department of Transportation is requested to forward its  
18 report on the estimated cost of repaving Nahiku Bridge and Lower  
19 Nahiku Road to the government agencies identified as having  
20 jurisdiction over the Nahiku Bridge and Lower Nahiku Road; and  
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of the Attorney  
23 General and the Department of Transportation are requested to  
24 submit a report of findings and recommendations to the  
25 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
26 the Regular Session of 2009; and  
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
29 Resolution be transmitted to the Attorney General, the Director  
30 of Transportation, the Chairperson of the Board of Land and  
31 Natural Resources, and the Mayor and the Chairperson of the  
32 Council of Maui County.  
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## Stacey L. Vinoray

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**From:** Maui\_County Council\_mailbox  
**Sent:** Friday, February 23, 2018 1:41 PM  
**To:** OCS All  
**Subject:** FW: ITSD Reminder: Shutdown and unplug computer equipment on Friday, 2/23/18  
**Attachments:** Unplugging the computer ver2.pdf

FYI-

**From:** ITS HELPDESK [mailto:ITS.HELPDESK@co.maui.hi.us]  
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**To:** ITS HELPDESK <ITS.HELPDESK@co.maui.hi.us>  
**Subject:** ITSD Reminder: Shutdown and unplug computer equipment on Friday, 2/23/18

### --- Notification for All Kalana o Maui, Kalana Pakui, and Old Courthouse Employees ---

**IT Services Notification:** Due to the work being done for transferring the power feed to the Kalana o Maui Campus, there is a scheduled power outage for Saturday, 2/24/18. **Please shut down and unplug all computers, attached peripherals and printers in your offices for these scheduled events.**

**Business Impact:** On Saturday, 2/24/2018, all areas of the Kalana o Maui, Kalana Pakui, and Old Courthouse Buildings will be without power except for the Computer room and Radio room. All buildings will not be accessible to employees during the transfer from 8:00am – 5:00pm.

**What you need to do:** On Friday, 2/23/18 when you leave for the day, shut down (rather than restart) your computer, power down attached peripherals and printers. After shutting down the devices, if you are able to access the power cables, please unplug the power cable (either from the device or the wall outlet/surge protector). See attached.

**Please also check on other computer related equipment in your offices where co-workers may be on vacation or out of the office during this time.**

**Why:** To minimize data corruption and damage to the computer hardware as power is restored to the Kalana o Maui campus.

**Who to contact with questions or concerns:** IT Services Help Desk, by phone at 270-7842 or by email [its.helpdesk@co.maui.hi.us](mailto:its.helpdesk@co.maui.hi.us)