Resolution

No. 22–216

URGING THE MAYOR TO FOLLOW THE APPLICABLE BUDGET CONDITION, PROVIDE GREATER TRANSPARENCY, AND ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNCIL'S LEGISLATIVE INTENT IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SAFE ZONE SLEEPING PILOT PROJECT

WHEREAS, as stated in Ordinance 5392, approving the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget, the Council set aside \$200,000 for a pilot project "to establish a safe zone or sleeping space for the houseless"; and

WHEREAS, the appropriation includes the following condition: "Grantee must consult with Share Your Mana prior to grant application"; and

WHEREAS, Share Your Mana, founded by community leader Lisa Darcy, "is intentionally designed to create a dignified, compassionate process for those who have become marginalized from their communities to rejoin," according to its website; and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2022, the Mayor's press release stated that he signed Bill 108, CD1 (2022) entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 10.76 AND SECTION 13.04A.070, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO USE OF VEHICLES FOR PURPOSES OF HUMAN HABITATION AT COUNTY PARKING LOTS"; and

WHEREAS, the signed bill has been enacted as Ordinance 5419, enabling the creation of the safe zone sleeping pilot project; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor's press release mentioned that the Administration had started implementation of the pilot project, but made no mention of the required consultation with Share Your Mana having occurred; and

WHEREAS, minutes of the Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee on April 28, 2022, make clear that the Council's legislative intent was that whichever entity applies for and receives the appropriation must work with Share Your Mana on the pilot project; now, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

- 1. That it urges the Mayor to follow the applicable Fiscal Year 2023 Budget condition, provide greater transparency, and ensure compliance with the Council's legislative intent in the establishment of the safe zone sleeping pilot project consistent with Ordinances 5392 and 5419; and
- 2. That certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to Lisa Darcy, Founder, Share Your Mana; Lori Tsuhako, Director of Housing and Human Concerns, County of Maui; and the Honorable Michael P. Victorino, Mayor, County of Maui.

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