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Honorable G. Riki Hokama, Chair Policy and Intergovernmental Affairs Committee Council of the County of Maui Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Hokama:

Please be advised that the Council of the County of Maui, at its meeting of July 8, 2014, recommitted Resolution No. 14-70, entitled "PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE REVISED CHARTER OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI (1983), AS AMENDED, TO CLARIFY THE DUTIES OF THE COST OF GOVERNMENT COMMISSION".

Respectfully yours,

DANNY A. MATEO County Clerk

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Enclosure

cc: Director of Council Services

Resolution

No. 14-70

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE REVISED CHARTER OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI (1983), AS AMENDED, TO CLARIFY THE DUTIES OF THE COST OF GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

WHEREAS, in 2012, the voters of the County of Maui approved an amendment to the Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended ("Charter"), to establish the Office of the County Auditor and to provide that the Cost of Government Commission shall be advisory to the auditor; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the County Auditor is mandated to conduct, or cause to be conducted, certain audit functions, and is empowered to conduct evaluations of County organizations, operations, and regulations, portions of which may previously have been undertaken at the discretion of the Cost of Government Commission; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor is required to submit its office budget, including the budget of the Cost of Government Commission, to the Council; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-9 of the Charter declares it to be the policy of the County to promote economy, efficiency, and improved service in the transaction of the public business in the legislative and executive branches of the County; and

WHEREAS, the policy mandates the limitation of expenditures to the lowest amount consistent with the efficient performance of essential services, activities, and functions; and

WHEREAS, the policy also mandates elimination of duplicative and overlapping services, activities, and functions; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

1. That, pursuant to Section 14-1(1) of the Charter, it hereby proposes that Section 3-9.3 of the Charter, pertaining to the Cost of Government Commission, be amended to read as follows:

"Section 3-9.3. Cost of Government Commission. <u>1</u>. For the purpose of carrying out the policy set forth herein, in accordance with section 13-2 of this charter, the mayor with the approval of the council shall appoint a cost of government commission consisting of nine members.

<u>2.</u> The commission shall [be advisory] <u>provide advice</u> to the county auditor[.] <u>only upon the auditor's request</u>. In addition, if requested by the county auditor, the commission shall submit a report of its findings, recommendations, and conclusions to the auditor, the mayor, and the council.

[The commission shall have the power and duty to:

1. Study and investigate the organizations and methods of operations of all departments, commissions, boards, offices, and other instrumentality of all branches of the county government and determine what changes, if any, may be desirable to accomplish the policy set forth herein.

2. Be authorized to secure directly from any department, commission, board, office, or any other instrumentalities of all branches of the county government or from any individual officer or employee of the county, information, suggestions, estimates, and statistics necessary to carry out its duties.

3. Submit an annual report of its findings and recommendations to the mayor, council, and county auditor.]"

2. That material to be repealed is bracketed and new material is underscored;

3. That, pursuant to Section 14-2(1) of the Charter, this resolution be submitted to the voters of the County of Maui at the next general election; and

and

4. That the County Clerk prepare the necessary ballot for presentation to the voters at the next general election; and

5. That, pursuant to Section 14-1(1) of the Charter, it hereby proposes that the following question be placed on the next general election ballot:

"Shall Section 3-9.3 of the Charter be amended to state that the Cost of Government Commission acts only upon the request of the County Auditor, to whom it is advisory?"

6. That, pursuant to Section 14-2(2) of the Charter, the County Clerk publish this proposed amendment in a newspaper of general circulation; and

7. That, upon approval by the majority of the voters voting on the proposed amendment and upon official certification of such result, the amendment proposed herein shall take effect; and

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8. That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the County Auditor, and the Corporation Counsel.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

Edward S. Kushi, Jr. First Deputy Corporation Counsel County of Maui

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The purpose of the revised proposed resolution is to place on the next General Election ballot the question of whether Sections 3-9.3 of the Charter shall be amended to state the Commission acts only upon the request of the County Auditor, to whom it is advisory.

I, DENNIS A. MATEO, County Clerk of the County of Maui, State of Hawaii, DO

HEREBY CERTIFY that RESOLUTION NO. 14-70 was passed on First Reading by the

Council of the County of Maui, State of Hawaii, on the 20th day of June, 2014, by the

following vote:

- AYES: Councilmembers Eleanora Cochran, Donald G. Couch Jr., S. Stacy Crivello, Donald S. Guzman, G. Riki Hokama, Michael B. White, and Chair Gladys C. Baisa.
- NOES: Vice-Chair Robert Carroll.
- EXCUSED: Councilmember Michael P. Victorino.

DATED at Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii, this 20th of June, 2014.

DENNIS A. MATEO, COUNTY CLERK COUNTY OF MAUI, STATE OF HAWAII

Copies of the foregoing Resolution, in full, are on file in the Office of the County Clerk, County of Maui, for use and examination by the public.