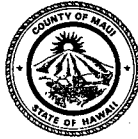


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February 24, 2020

Ms. Michele McLean, Director
Department of Planning
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Ms. McLean:

**SUBJECT: OPERATIONAL AND BUDGETARY REVIEW OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING (PSLU-53)**

At its meeting of February 19, 2020, the Planning and Sustainable Land Use Committee discussed the Department of Planning's operational and budgetary review.

May I please request the following:

1. A cost analysis on additional office space and equipment needed to accommodate new staff associated with creating advisory committees to the Maui Planning Commission. In your response please clarify whether the new staff would be placed in an office other than the One Main Plaza building.
2. An estimated difference in cost to operate additional advisory committees compared to the existing planning commissions.
3. A per-meeting cost for both the Hana Advisory Committee and the Maui Planning Commission.
4. Instead of creating advisory committees, district commissions could be created to take over certain approval authority currently held by the Maui Planning Commission. Please provide a

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comparison and contrast in creating a South Maui commission. Additionally, please provide comment on whether the upcountry-northshore areas should be combined when considering a district commission, or if they should be kept separate.

5. A comprehensive list of concerns for the advisory committees to the Maui Planning Commission. Your letter dated January 31, 2020 and presentation on February 19, 2020 did not list all the Department's concerns with the creation of advisory committees. Please encourage your staff to bring up other issues that must be addressed in order to fully vet the proposed legislation.
6. The result of the Maui Planning Commission's consideration to revert their testimony procedures to allow contested and intervened case testimony at the beginning of their meeting, while still allowing for cross examination of testifiers.

May I further request your response no later than **March 13, 2020**. To ensure efficient processing, please include the relevant Committee item number in the subject line of your response.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Ana Lillis at ext. 7660, or Clarita Balala at ext. 7668).

Sincerely,



TAMARA PALTIN, Chair
Planning and Sustainable Land Use
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cc: Mayor Michael P. Victorino