

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI
INFRASTRUCTURE AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

July 2, 2021

Committee
Report No. _____

Honorable Chair and Members
of the County Council
County of Maui
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Infrastructure and Transportation Committee, having met on June 7, 2021, makes reference to the following:

1. County Communication 19-91, from Councilmember Yuki Lei K. Sugimura, relating to the Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization.
2. Miscellaneous Communication dated June 19, 2020, from the County Clerk, referring Contract C7001-1, between the County and Toole Design Group, LLC, for the Vision Zero Action Plan Project.
3. County Communication 21-239, from Lauren Armstrong, Executive Director of the Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization ("Maui MPO"), transmitting the Vision Zero Maui Action Plan, March 2021, as approved by the Maui MPO Policy Board.

By correspondence dated May 26, 2021, the Executive Director of the Maui MPO transmitted a computer-generated presentation on the Vision Zero Maui Action Plan.

By correspondence dated June 1, 2021, the Chair of your Committee transmitted a proposed resolution entitled, "ADOPTING THE VISION ZERO MAUI ACTION PLAN TO ELIMINATE TRAFFIC FATALITIES AND SERIOUS INJURIES BY 2040."

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The purpose of the proposed resolution is to urge the Administration to adopt and implement the Plan as a guide to improve transportation programs that promote safety on Maui's roads and serve as an initiative to end fatalities and serious injuries caused by traffic crashes on Maui by 2040.

Your Committee notes that the Council's Water, Infrastructure, and Transportation Committee (2019-2021 Council term) met on December 3, 2020.

Your Committee further notes the Council adopted Resolution 12-111 which urged the Mayor to create a Vision Zero Advisory Group and initiate the process to create a Vision Zero Maui Action Plan. The intent for the Plan was to identify priorities relating to data collection; traffic enforcement; and design and construction of safe roadways, intersections, sidewalks, and paths.

The Executive Director of the Maui MPO gave a presentation on the Plan.

Your Committee learned the Plan focuses on addressing seven key goals identified through the planning process:

- Eliminate impaired driving
- Create safe speeds
- Eliminate distracted driving
- Create a safety culture
- Build safe streets for everyone
- Institutionalize Vision Zero
- Improve data to support decisions

The Executive Director said the Plan's development was guided by the Vision Zero Advisory Group. The Advisory Group consisted of volunteers from various facets of the community including police officers,

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engineers, planners, public health workers, fire personnel, and members of various nonprofits.

Your Committee discussed potential roadway improvements in Lahaina and Makawao relevant to the Vision Zero Action Plan.

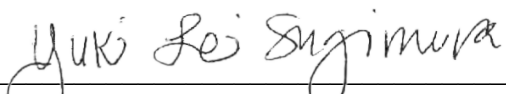
Your Committee expressed support for the Plan and appreciation for the work done by the Vision Zero Advisory Group.

Your Committee voted 6-0 to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution. Committee Chair Sugimura, Vice-Chair Kama, and members Lee, Molina, Paltin, and Rawlins-Fernandez voted “aye.” Committee member King was excused.

Your Committee is in receipt of a revised proposed resolution approved as to form and legality by the Department of the Corporation Counsel.

Your Infrastructure and Transportation Committee RECOMMENDS that Resolution _____, attached hereto, entitled “ADOPTING THE VISION ZERO MAUI ACTION PLAN TO ELIMINATE TRAFFIC FATALITIES AND SERIOUS INJURIES BY 2040,” be ADOPTED.

This report is submitted in accordance with Rule 8 of the Rules of the Council.



YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair

Resolution

No. _____

ADOPTING THE VISION ZERO MAUI ACTION PLAN TO ELIMINATE TRAFFIC FATALITIES AND SERIOUS INJURIES BY 2040

WHEREAS, every year an average of 18 people on Maui lose their lives in traffic crashes, and over 100 people are injured in crashes involving bicyclists and pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, traffic fatalities and severe injuries are preventable through a systemic approach to transportation that coordinates efforts across engineering, education, and enforcement; and

WHEREAS, understanding the causes of crashes is an important step to guide the creation and implementation of the County's transportation policy, planning, projects, and programs, and effectively encourage a culture of safety in our community; and

WHEREAS, through a coordinated effort with partner agencies and road safety ambassadors, the Vision Zero Maui Action Plan was drafted after receipt of extensive community input, and review of crash and demographic data, in order to outline specific steps needed to achieve safer streets; and

WHEREAS, the Vision Zero Maui Action Plan focuses on addressing seven key goals that were identified through the planning process, which are to:

- Eliminate impaired driving,
- Create safe speeds,
- Eliminate distracted driving,
- Create a safety culture,
- Build safe streets for everyone,
- Institutionalize Vision Zero,
- Improve data to support decisions; and

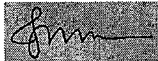
WHEREAS, Vision Zero Maui is an initiative to end fatalities and serious injuries caused by traffic crashes on Maui by 2040; now, therefore,

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

1. That it urges the Administration to implement the Vision Zero Maui Action Plan as a guide to transportation program improvements that promote safety on Maui roads; and
2. That certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the members of the Vision Zero Maui Advisory Group; the Executive Director of the Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization; the Director of Transportation; the Director of Public Works; the Planning Director; the Director of the State Department of Transportation; the Honorable Mazie Hirono, United States Senator; the Honorable Brian E. Schatz, United States Senator; the Honorable Kaiulani Kahele, United States Representative; the Honorable Ed Case, United States Representative; the Honorable David Ige, Governor, State of Hawaii; and the Honorable Michael P. Victorino, Mayor, County of Maui.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY



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