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Council of the County of Maui on 2023-05-23 9:00 AM - Public Hearing

[GAVEL] >> THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF MAY 23RD, 2023 WILL NOW COME TO ORDER. MS. CLERK, PLEASE PROCEED WITH ROLL CALL. >> MEMBERS, I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I DON'T HAVE ANY SPECIAL GREETING THIS MORNING, BECAUSE I SPENT MOST OF YESTERDAY, AND LAST NIGHT, AS NURSE LEE, THE VET. SO WE'LL FOREGO THE FOREIGN LANGUAGE GREETING TODAY. SAY WHATEVER YOU WANT. ROLL CALL.\r\n\r\n>> CHAIR, PROCEEDING WITH ROLL CALL, MEMBERS PARTICIPATING FROM NON-PUBLIC LOCATIONS SHOULD STATE WHO IF ANYONE, EXCEPT MINORS IS PRESENT WITH THEM AS PART OF ROLL CALL. >> A LITTLE LOUDER. 2023 EDITIONS OF THE MAUI NEWS. OPENING REMARKS WILL BE PROVIDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER TAMARA PALTIN. ON EACH ITEM. DECORUM SHALL BE MAINTAINED THE AT ALL TIMES. ANYONE PERSON THAT BEHAVE ANYWAYS MANNER THAT DISRUPTS OR IMPEDES THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF ANY COUNCIL MEETING CAN. AT THE DIRECTION OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER OR MAJORITY OF PRESENT COUNCIL MEMBERS BE EJECTED, OR BANNED FROM COUNCIL MEETINGS, OR IF PARTICIPATING REMOTELY, MUTED OR DROPPED FROM THE MEETING.\r\n\r\nEXAMPLES OF DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR INCLUDE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO HECKLING, SHOUTING, USE OF PROFANITY, THREATENING OR SLANDEROUS REMARKS MADE TO ANY COUNCIL MEMBER, STAFF OR GENERAL PUBLIC AND THE CHAT SHOULD BE USED TO SIGN UP FOR TESTIMONY AND NOT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTARY ON THE MEETING. IT WILL BE CONSIDERED A BREACH OF DECORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO USE THE CHAT FOR ANYTHING OTHER THAN TESTIMONY SIGN-UP. MS. CLERK, PLEASE PROCEED. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THERE ARE NO CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS. NOTHING ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR.\r\n\r\nSO WE'RE MOVING TO SECTION G, PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN OR ORAL TESTIMONY. INDIVIDUALS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER MAY SIGN UP TO TESTIFY WITH A STAFF MEMBER LOCATED AT THE DESK IN THE 8TH FLOOR LOBBY OR AT COURTESY TESTIMONY SITES MAY SIGN UP WITH STAFF AT THE SITE. INDIVIDUALS PARTICIPATING REMOTELY MAY SIGN UP TO TESTIFY IN THE MEETING CHAT. INSTRUCTIONS ARE POSTED IN THE CHAT, ALONG WITH A LINK TO THE TESTIFIER LOG. INDIVIDUALS CONNECTED BY PHONE ARE AUTOMATICALLY MUTED TO PREVENT DISRUPTION OF THE MEETING. WHEN CALLED TO TESTIFY YOU WILL BE UNMUTED AND ALLOWED TO TESTIFY. INDIVIDUALS CONNECTED BY VIDEOCONFERENCE SHOULD KEEP BOTH VIDEO AND MICROPHONES OFF AND TURNED OP ONLY WHEN CALLED TO TESTIFY.\r\n\r\nAT THIS TIME, INDIVIDUALS MAY TESTIFY ON ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA. CHAIR, THE FIRST PERSON TO TESTIFY IS LYNN RASMUSSEN, TESTIFYING ON BILL 22 TO BE FOLLOWED BY SUSIE THIEMAN >> GOOD MORNING. >> GOOD MORNING. >> ALOHA. I'M LYNN RASMUSSEN, THE CURRENT BOARD PRESIDENT AT THE HOMELESS RESOURCE CENTER, AND HAPPY TO BE SO. FIRST, MAHALO, COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN FOR PROPOSING THE FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE ANCHOR SQUARE PROPERTY, THE OLD TRAVEL LODGE IN LAHAINA. FOR PUTTING IT IN THE BUDGET AND MAHALO TO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE, ALL OF YOU FOR INCLUDING IT IN THE BUDGET.\r\n\r\nI'M QUITE EXCITED ABOUT THIS POSSIBILITY. AS YOU ALL ALREADY KNOW, KAKOU HAS THE TEAM TO MANAGE AND MAINTAIN LOW-INCOME LONG-TERM RENTALS AT THE WEST SIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, BUT THE SHELTER TEAM ALSO HELPS INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES OBTAIN SUPPORT, FIND FUNDING AND/OR WORK AND BECOME RESPONSIBILITY TENANTS. OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND OUR DIRECTOR OF FINANCE HAVE THE EXPERTISE TO APPLY FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUNDS. THEY UNDERSTAND THE REQUIREMENTS. SHE HAS BEEN OVERSEEING THE REMODELING OF BUILDINGS IN KAHULUI WITH CIP FUNDING AND CONTRACTOR

BIDDING AND HIRING AND OVERSIGHT FOR FIVE YEARS. OUR BOARD MEMBERS INCLUDE STEVE MILLER. PROJECT MANAGER AT THE LAND COMPANY, JIM AND BOB BOTH EXPERIENCED REALTORS AND DEVELOPERS, AND RORY FRAMPTON HAD TO STEP DOWN FROM THE BOARD BECAUSE HE IS SO BUSY, BUT HE IS AVAILABLE TO US ANY TIME BY PHONE. WE UNDERSTAND THAT A THOROUGH DUE DILIGENCE PROCESS IS REQUIRED WHILE IN ESCROW.\r\n\r\nTHIS IS A TRICKY PROPERTY. IT'S IN -- YOU KNOW, IT'S SMA ZONING. IT'S GOT LOTS OF PROBLEMS. IT'S AN OLD BUILDING. MONIQUE HAS LINED UP CONSULTANTS FOR PLANNING AND PERMITTING ISSUES AND FOR CONSTRUCTION. THE PURCHASE PRICE HAS BEEN REDUCED FROM \$8.7 MILLION TO \$5.7 MILLION, BECAUSE OF OUR INTEREST. THE \$3 MILLION THAT YOU HAVE BUDGETED COULD BE USED FOR RENOVATIONS AND WE HAVE ANOTHER \$2.5 MILLION AVAILABLE FOR LOW-INCOME HOUSING INITIATIVES.\r\n\r\nAND ALSO, OUR BOARD WOULD BE COMMITTED TO RAISING FUNDS AND THERE'S MONEY OUT THERE FOR THIS. PRIVATE MONEY, FOUNDATION MONEY. SO HOUSING IS A TOP PRIORITY BY EVERYONE RUNNING FOR OFFICE AND EVERY SINGLE FOUNDATION OUT THERE. SO THIS IS A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY. ITS TIME HAS COME AND MAHALO FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. >> THANK YOU, LYNN. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS FOR MS.\r\n\r\nRASMUSSEN? MEMBER SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. GOOD MORNING. NICE TO SEE YOU AGAIN. AND I JUST WANTED CLARIFICATION, WHAT YOU SAID, THE \$2.5 MILLION AVAILABLE FOR LOW-INCOME FOUNDING. >> THE BEZOS FUND PROVIDED THAT ARE TO RENOVATION.\r\n\r>> FOR THIS PROJECT. >> WE CAN USE IT FOR THIS PROJECT. >> \$5.7 MILLION IS PURCHASE, YOU SAID, \$2.5 IS ADDITIONAL MONEY IN YOUR POSSESSION? >> YES. >> WHAT WAS THE OTHER ONE? >> AND WE ASKED -- SO COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN PUT IN \$8.7 MILLION THAT WAS THE PRICE AT THE TIME. SINCE THEN THE SELLER REDUCED THE PRICE.\r\n\r\nBUT THERE'S GOING TO BE SIGNIFICANT RENOVATIONS FOR THIS PROPERTY. SO WE'RE ASKING THAT YOU MAINTAIN THAT \$8.7 IN THE BUDGET. OF COURSE, WE'RE GOING INTO -- WE'LL GO INTO DUE DILIGENCE, AND IT WILL BE AN INTENSE PROCESS OF FIGURING OUT WHAT THE REQUIREMENTS ARE AND WHAT COSTS WILL BE FOR THIS PROPERTY AND HOW LONG IT WILL TAKE TO GET UP TO SPEED, TO GET PEOPLE ACTUALLY IN THE HOUSING? >> ONE LAST CLARIFYING QUESTION. SO DO YOU HAVE AN ESTIMATE FOR HOW MUCH THE RENOVATIONS WILL BE? >> NOT YET, WE'LL DO THAT IN DUE DILIGENCE IN THE PROCESS. WHAT HAPPENS IS OF COURSE, IT'S LIKE ANY ACQUISITION OF ANY PROPERTY, YOU ARE GOING INTO ESCROW AND SPEND THE -- I BELIEVE WE HAVE 120 DAYS AND THAT COULD BE EXTENDED TO DETERMINE WHAT THE COSTS WILL BE FOR GETTING INTO THE PROPERTY.\r\n\r\nWE HAVE WALKED THE PROPERTY, OF COURSE, AND WE HAVE A GENERAL IDEA OF THE SCOPE. >> THANK YOU. >> WE HAVE TO GET THE PROFESSIONALS IN THERE. >> THANK YOU. >> FOR DUE DILIGENCE. >> THANK YOU. >> ANYONE ELSE?\r\n\r\nMEMBER KEANI RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. ALOHA, MISS RASMUSSEN. MAHALO FOR YOUR TESTIMONY THIS MORNING. SO \$8.7 MILLION AND YOU SAID THEY REDUCED TO THE PRICE TO HOW MUCH AGAIN? >> 5.7. >> 5.7. OKAY. AND THEN IT'S AN SMA.\r\n\r\nSO GENERALLY WE DO LIKE FUNDING FOR DESIGN, PERMITTING, AND ALL OF THAT, BECAUSE IT TAKES TIME, ESPECIALLY IF IT'S IN THE SMA. AND I GUESS WHEN IT COMES UP, WE'LL DISCUSS WHAT WOULD BE AN APPROPRIATE AMOUNT FOR PLANNING, DESIGN AND PERMITTING FOR THIS FIRST YEAR AFTER ACQUISITION. AND THEN, YOU KNOW, NEXT FISCAL YEARS WE CAN DISCUSS THE COST OF CONSTRUCTION FOR RENOVATION, IF THAT IS OKAY. >> THAT IS INTERESTING. >> GO AHEAD. >> MONIQUE IS PROBABLY GOING TO BE SHE IS GOING TO BE TESTIFYING AND YOU CAN PRESENT THIS TO YOU AND ASK HER MORE QUESTIONS. SHE IS THE APPROPRIATE ONE TO BE TALKING TO.\r\n>> MAHALO, CHAIR. >> THANK YOU. MEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU, MS. RASMUSSEN. I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY, ALTHOUGH THE ORIGINAL PRICE WAS \$8.7, WE HAD BUDGETED \$7.5 MILLION FOR ACQUISITION, AND/OR

RENOVATION.\r\n\r\nIS IT YOUR UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU WOULD STILL NEED TO BID ON THE PROPERTY WITH OTHER ENTITIES POSSIBLY BIDDING FOR IT AS WELL? >> YEAH, WHEN THE PRICE -- IF YOU MEAN FOR OTHER BUYERS COMING INTO -- YES. WHEN THEY BROUGHT DOWN THE PRICE OF THE PROPERTY, OTHER BUYERS STEPPED FORWARD, AND SO THE SELLER AGREED TO WAIT FOR US. THEY'RE SUPPORTING US, BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG THEY WILL WAIT? WE HAVE TO DETERMINE THAT. AND WE'RE WORKING ON THAT. SO IT'S AN EXCITING PROCESS.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. >> THERE ARE INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS OUT THERE NOW, BECAUSE THE PRICE DROPPED. >> THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. >> ANY MORE COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS, MEMBERS? IF NOT, VERY GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN, LYNN.\r\n\r\nIT'S BEEN A WHILE. LIKE FOUR DECADES. >> YES, IT'S SO GOOD TO SEE YOU UP THERE. >> THANK YOU. >> LYNN AND I WERE ON THE BOARD OF MARCH OF DIMES A LONG TIME AGO. >> A LONG TIME AGO. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nMS. CLERK. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS SUSY THIEMAN, TESTIFYING ON CRV 23, BILL 38 FOLLOWED BY WILLETTE PELLEGRINO. >> I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LOKI PACIFIC, AND I'M TESTIFYING THIS MORNING IN FAVOR OF PASSAGE OF ITEM 12, BILL 38 TO CREATE A FUND ANG 'OHANA ASSISTANCE PILOT PROGRAM FROM THE INFORMATION THAT WE HAVE LEARNED OVER THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS, REGARDING THIS PROPOSAL, WE'RE REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THE PROSPECTS THIS CAN BRING TO THE AFFORDABLE AND WORKFORCE HOUSING MARKET FOR RENTALS. ALMOST TO THE POINT I WISH I HAD A BACKYARD, INSTEAD OF A GULLEY. BUT ANYWAY, THAT IS REALLY ALL I WANTED TO SAY AT THIS TIME. WE'RE SUPPORTING IT.\r\n\r\nWE THINK IT'S GOT SOME REALLY GOOD PIECES TO IT AND I KNOW IT'S GOING TO TAKE A LOT OF WORK. AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE DONE SEVERAL AFFORDABLE SUBDIVISIONS. SO WE HAVE NOT BEEN IN THE MARKET HERE FOR THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS, BECAUSE OF THE MARKET. AND WE JUST WOULD OFFER OUR SERVICES IN ANY WAY TO HELP WORK ON THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> THANK YOU, MS. THIEMAN.\r\n\r\nMEMBERS, ANY QUESTIONS? MEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU, MS. THIEMAN. I DIDN'T SEE A BILL 38. DID YOU -- WHICH. >> IT'S BILL 50 -- IT'S NOW BILL 50. >> OKAY.\r\n\r\nIN THE AGENDA, IT WAS UNDER ITEM 12. >> THANK YOU. >> ANY OTHER QUESTIONS, MEMBERS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I SEE STROLLING DOWN THE WALKWAY IS PRO TEM KAMA OUR CHEF FOR THE DAY. GOOD MORNING, MEMBER KAMA. >> GOOD MORNING, CHAIR. SORRY FOR BEING LATE.\r\n\r\n>> NO PROBLEM. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT TESTIFIER, PLEASE. >> CHAIR, NEXT TESTIFIER IS WILLETTE PELLEGRINO. >> ALOHA KAKAHIAKA EVERYONE. MY NAME IS WALLETTE GARCIA RESIDENT WITH GENEALOGICAL TIES TO EARLY WAIKAPU. I'M A MEMBER OF THE WAIKAPU ASSOCIATION AND CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE. I'M TESTIFYING THIS MORNING IN SUPPORT OF CC 23-16, THE AMENDMENT TO INCREASE FUNDS FROM THE OPEN SPACE FUND TO CREATE A PERMANENT OPEN SPACE BUFFER BETWEEN WAIKAPU, AND WAILUKU.\r\n\r\n\$1 MILLION HAS BEEN EARMARKED FOR THAT PROPOSAL IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET, AND OUR COMMUNITY SUPPORTS CHAIR LEE'S REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO ENSURE THE ACQUISITION AND PURCHASE OF LAND FOR THAT BUFFER. MAINTAINING THE PHYSICAL AND VISUAL SEPARATION OF THE TWO DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES HAS ALWAYS BEEN A PRIORITY FOR THE WAIKAPU COMMUNITY. IT IS PART OF OUR WCA STATEMENT OF VALUES, WRITTEN BY DEDICATED WAIKAPU RESIDENTS MORE THAN TEN YEARS AGO. I SERVED ON THE ORIGINAL GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE, REPRESENTING CENTRAL MAUI COMMUNITIES IN THE EARLY 2000S ALONG WITH COUNCIL MEMBER COOK. IN THE FINAL PRODUCT, THE MAUI ISLAND PLAN, WE EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITIES MAINTAINING THEIR OWN IDENTITIES. THE CONCEPT OF A GREENBELT BETWEEN WAIKAPU AND WAILUKU WAS A MAJOR ASK. MANY PEOPLE DO NOT REALIZE THAT EARLY WAIKAPU HAD ITS OWN BUSINESS SECTOR, MULTIPLE CHURCHES, INCLUDING THE HAWAIIAN PROTESTANT

CHURCH THAT SERVED AS A HOSPITAL IN WORLD WAR II AND EARLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. LANDMARKS LIKE THE OPEN-AIR THEATER AND BOWLING ALLEY AND SERVED AS R & R AREA DURING THE WAR.\r\n\r\nPEOPLE SHARED PLANTATION VALUES AND LIFESTYLES BECAUSE OF THEIR TIES TO WAILUKU SUGAR COMPANY AND ALSO A SIGNIFICANT AGRICULTURE AREA OF ACRES OF KALO. IT'S NOT A SUBURB OF WAILUKU. WE HAVE OUR OWN HISTORY, WHICH WE WANT ALL RESIDENTS OF OUR COMMUNITY TO KNOW ABOUT, AND THE REST OF THE ISLAND TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR. SO TODAY WE ASK A PERMANENT OPEN SPACE BUFFER BETWEEN WAIKAPU AND WAILUKU IS NEEDED, INCREASED FUNDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND PURCHASE OF THE LAND NEEDS THE SUPPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND THE COUNCIL AS THE BUDGET REVIEW FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR CONTINUES. MAHALO NUI LOA TO ALL OF YOU, AND JUST AS AN ASIDE, IF YOU HAVE SOME SPARE TIME, THE A&B SUGAR MUSEUM HOUSES A UNIQUE AND CREATIVE EXHIBIT OF OUR WAIKAPU COMMUNITY. SO PLEASE TAKE SOME TIME AND VISIT IT. YOU WILL BE IMPRESSED.\r\n\r\nMAHALO. >> THANK YOU SO MUCH, WALLETTE. MEMBER PALTIN HAS A QUESTION. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU, MS. PELLEGRINO FOR YOUR TESTIMONY TODAY. I JUST WAS WONDERING THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I HAD HEARD ABOUT THE INCREASED \$6 MILLION.\r\n\r\nIS THERE A WILLING SELLER? HOW MANY ACRES ARE WE TALKING ABOUT AND IS THERE A MANAGEMENT PLAN? >> I DON'T KNOW, AND AS A RESULT, SHOULD NOT COMMENT ON THAT. I KNOW THAT WE WOULD APPRECIATE THE EFFORT TO PROVIDE WHATEVER FUNDING WILL MAKE THAT PARTICULAR PURCHASE POSSIBLE. >> THANK YOU. >> ANY MORE QUESTIONS FOR MS. PELLEGRINO?\r\n\r\nIF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MAHALO AND TO YOUR ENTIRE 'OHANA. MS. CLERK. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS KENO GOMES TESTIFYING ON BILL 22, TO BE FOLLOWED BY BRAD HARKER. GOOD MORNING CHAIR, COUNCIL MEMBERS. I'M FROM THE WAIKAPU DEVELOPMENT VENTURES AND I WANTED TO GIVE TESTIMONY ON OUR PROJECT OF THE WE'RE REQUESTING \$10.65 MILLION GRANT AND I WANTED TO THANK THOSE WHO WERE ABLE TO MEET WITH US AND DISCUSS OUR PROJECT.\r\n\r\nIT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO US THAT WE JOIN HANDS WITH THE COUNTY, THE COUNCIL, THE ADMINISTRATION, AND MAKE SURE THAT OUR PROJECT IS A PROJECT THAT IS GOING TO BE FOR THE PEOPLE, AND THAT IS WHAT WE WANT. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO GO OVER MY TESTIMONY, A FEW BRIEF POINTS. SO THAT I CAN REFRESH YOUR MEMORY AS TO WHAT WE SPOKE ABOUT A FEW WEEKS AGO. WAIKAPU DEVELOPMENT VENTURES HAS A POTENTIAL TO BE BUILT IN A COUPLE OF YEARS. WE BELIEVE IT IS THE ONLY PROJECT IN CENTRAL MAUI THAT IS AT THIS STAGE. OUR POTENTIAL LENDERS, WE HAVE SPOKEN TO THEM, THEY ARE ALL IN AGREEANCE THAT WE NEED CONFIRMATION OF FUNDING FROM THE COUNCIL IN FULL TO MOVE FORWARD WITH FINANCING FOR THE PROJECT. WE ARE ABLE TO RECEIVE THE FUNDING AT MILESTONES, BUT WE DO NEED A FULL COMMITMENT OF THE FUNDING FOR WAIKAPU DEVELOPMENT VENTURES.\r\n\r\nWE'RE ALSO REQUESTING THAT THE FUNDS BE CONTINGENT ONLY UPON APPROVAL OF THE 201 AMENDMENT, WHICH WE'LL BE REQUESTING YOUR APPROVAL ON TO EXTEND THE CONSTRUCTION DEADLINE. AS PREVIOUSLY STATED IN MY TESTIMONY, I WANT TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY, AND THE ADMINISTRATION TO COME UP WITH GUIDELINES THAT WILL WORK FOR THE PROJECT. WE'LL BE WORKING WITH THE ADMINISTRATION TO PREPARE AN AMENDMENT TO THE 201H RESOLUTION, AND THIS COUNCIL WILL NEED TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT. WE'RE ASKING FOR YOUR HELP IN THAT. PLEASE ALLOW US THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH THE ADMINISTRATION, TO CREATE A SET OF DEED RESTRICTIONS, THAT WE'LL PRESENT TO THE COUNCIL AS PART OF OUR AMENDMENT. ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS IN THE BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMIT OUR ABILITY COME UP WITH A CREATIVE SOLUTION. AGAIN, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE COUNCIL TO JOIN HANDS WITH US, AND HELP US BUILD THIS PROJECT FOR OUR COMMUNITY.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. >> THANK YOU, MR. GOMES. ANY

QUESTIONS? MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. ALOHA, MR.\r\n\r\nGOMES. MAHALO FOR YOUR TESTIMONY THIS MORNING. >> ALOHA. >> AT THE COMMITTEE, HLU COMMITTEE, I ASKED ABOUT EA OR EIS. AND I WAS HOPING THAT YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO FOLLOW-UP ON WHAT YOU'RE ABLE TO TRACK DOWN. >> YES. SO WE DID GO BACK AND LOOK AT WHAT WE HAD.\r\n\r\nWE HAVE AN EIS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL MONITORING PLAN AND I HOPE OUR TEAM SENT THAT OVER TO YOU. >> I JUST GOT BACK FROM A CONFERENCE. SO I WILL DOUBLE-CHECK. DO YOU KNOW WHO IT WAS SENT FROM. SO YOU HAVE ARCHAEOLOGICAL -- YOU HAVE THE MONITORING PLAN. WILL IT HAVE A MONITOR? >> WE DO MONITORING, YES.\r\n\r\nTHAT IS CORRECT. >> SO IF THERE ARE IWI, THERE'S A PLAN? >> YES, THERE'S A PLAN FOR IF WE DO ENCOUNTER, OF COURSE, WE NEED TO STOP, AND THEN THE ARCHAEOLOGIST OF RECORD WILL NEED TO TAKE OVER AT THAT POINT. >> OKAY, MAHALO. I DO SEE THE EMAIL FROM MR. UEOKA ON MAY 11TH. SO I DID GET THAT FROM MY DROP BOX.\r\n\r\nI WILL CHECK THAT OUT. MAHALO FOR SENDING THAT OVER AND MAHALO AGAIN FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> ANY MORE QUESTIONS FOR THE TESTIFIER? MEMBER COOK. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. MR.\r\n\r\nGOMES, MY CLARIFYING QUESTION IS IT STILL SHPD THE CRITERIA YOU HAVE TO HAVE ONE MONITOR FOR ONE PIECE OF EARTH MOVING EQUIPMENT, WHEN THE PROJECT IS UNDERGOING? THAT IS HOW IT WAS PREVIOUSLY. >> SO I THINK IT'S AT THE DISCRETION OF THE ARCHAEOLOGIST OF RECORD. AND WE'LL FOLLOW THAT PLAN THAT WAS APPROVED BY SHPD. >> THANK YOU. >> ANY MORE QUESTIONS? MEMBER PALTIN, AND VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I HAD A COUPLE -- THE FIRST ONE, CLARIFYING WHAT MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ HAD SAID, DON'T HAVE AN EA OR AN EIS, ONLY AN AIS AND AMS? >> YES. ARCHAEOLOGICAL MONITORING PLAN. WHEN WE FIRST DID THE SUBDIVISION, THERE WERE NO TRIGGERS FOR AN EA OR EIS. HOWEVER, WE WERE REQUIRED TO DO AN AIS, AND AMP. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nI GUESS MY CLARIFYING QUESTION IS WOULD THE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS GOVERNMENT FUNDING THEN TRIGGER AN EA OR AN EIS? SHOULD WE TRY TO GIVE THE MONEY TO THE BUYERS INSTEAD OR SOMETHING, BECAUSE I THINK THAT IS WHAT HAPPENED WITH THE SUPER FERRY; RIGHT? >> MR. GOMES, IF YOU DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER, WE CAN ASK CORP. COUNSEL. CORP. COUNSEL.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I DON'T KNOW OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD WHETHER OR NOT THAT WOULD TRIGGER BUT IT'S A GOOD QUESTION. I WAS JUST GOING TO LOOK UP THE H.R.S. ON THAT. BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE BECAUSE THIS IS GOING TO GO BACK TO COMMITTEE FOR SOME TIME EXTENSIONS, PERHAPS WE COULD BE READY TO RESOLVE THAT, OR DISCUSS THAT AT THE COMMITTEE MEETING. >> OKAY. THEN THE OTHER QUESTION I HAD FOR CLARIFICATION WAS WHEN YOU SAID "CONFIRMATION OF FUNDING IN FULL WITH THE ONLY THING BEING AMENDMENT OF THE 201H," YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT NOT PUTTING ADDITIONAL DEED RESTRICTIONS ON IT AT THIS TIME, IS THAT CORRECT? SO I THINK WE'RE ONLY REQUESTING FUNDING, WHICH IS CONTINGENT ON THE APPROVAL OF THE 201H AMENDMENT, IN WHICH WE NEED TO EXTEND OUR CONSTRUCTION DEADLINE.\r\n\r\nIF WE'RE UNABLE TO DO THAT, THEN WE'LL NOT ASK FOR THE FUNDING. >> AND AT THE TIME, WHEN WE EXTEND THE CONSTRUCTION DEADLINE, AND AMEND THE CONDITION, BECAUSE YOU STILL WANT TO CHANGE FROM DUPLEX TO SINGLE-FAMILY; RIGHT? AND THOSE ARE THINGS THAT WE WOULD NEED TO CHANGE AS WELL AT THAT TIME WE CAN FURTHER DISCUSS DEED RESTRICTIONS, OR OWNER OCCUPANCY? >> SORRY FOR INTERRUPTING. YES, I DO THINK THAT WOULD BE AN APPROPRIATE TIME FOR US TO DISCUSS THAT. WE'D BE HAPPY TO DO THAT. >> OKAY.\r\n\r\nSO NONE OF THE FUNDS WILL BE RELEASED UNTIL YOU CHANGE THE THING FROM DUPLEX TO SINGLE-FAMILY, WE AMEND THE CONSTRUCTION DEADLINE, AND GIVE IT AN EXTENSION, AND FULLY VET OUT DEED RESTRICTIONS, IF WE NEED TO DO AN EA OR EIS, OR IF WE CAN GO ANOTHER WAY ABOUT DOING IT? JUST AT THIS

POINT, WE JUST ARE CONFIRMING FUNDING TO FINISH THE PROJECT, GIVEN THAT ALL THAT STUFF HAPPENS IN COMMITTEE. >> YES, THAT IS CORRECT. >> >> OKAY. WOULD IT BE OKAY TO HAVE HIM AROUND AS A RESOURCE, JUST IN CASE OR NO? >> WOULD YOU BE AVAILABLE LATER? >> YES, I WILL BE AVAILABLE.\r\n\r\n>> GREAT. ANY OBJECTIONS, MEMBERS, TO HAVING MR. GOMES AS A RESOURCE WHEN WE TAKE UP THE ITEM. >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> SO ORDERED. ANY QUESTIONS RIGHT NOW, MEMBERS? MEMBER SUGIMURA.\r\n\r\n>> I REMEMBER WHEN THIS ITEM CAME UP, AND CLARIFICATION. THAT THIS IS A GRANT? >> YES. >> YES. WE'RE REQUESTING A GRANT. THANK YOU FOR CLARIFYING THAT. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\n>> ANYBODY ELSE? IF NOT, WE'LL TAKE TO YOU LATER. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. >> NEXT TESTIFIER. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS BRAD HACKER, TESTIFYING ON CC 23-16 TO BE FOLLOWED BY MONIQUE IBARRA. >> GOOD MORNING.\r\n\r\nMY NAME IS BRAD HACKER, AND I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE WAIKAPU COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. I'M HERE TESTIFYING ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, AND MYSELF IN FAVOR OF CC 23-16. FUNDING FOR A BUFFER ZONE TO BE CREATED BETWEEN WAILUKU AND WAIKAPU. THE CREATION OF SUCH A BUFFER ZONE IS PART OF OUR STATEMENT OF VALUES AS A COMMUNITY. I BELIEVE WALLETTE MENTIONED THAT A LITTLE BIT EARLIER AND ALSO A GUIDING PRINCIPLE FOR THE COMMUNITY. SO I JUST WANTED TO GET MY TWO WORDS IN AND LET EVERYBODY KNOW THAT WE'RE IN FAVOR OF IT. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nMEMBERS, ANY QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MS. CLERK. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TO TESTIFIER IS MONIQUE IBARRA, TESTIFYING ON BILL 22, TO BE FOLLOWED BY HELEN KITT HART. >> ALOHA, GOOD MORNING COUNCIL MEMBERS. I'M SORRY, I'M TRYING TO GET MY VIDEO TO WORK, BUT I'M HAVING A HARD TIME.\r\n\r\nMY APOLOGIES. I'M MONIQUE IBARRA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR HOMELESS RESOURCE CENTER AND TO TESTIFY ON BILL 22 AND TO THANK THE COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR HAVING ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU TODAY ABOUT OUR MUCH-NEEDED LOW-INCOME HOUSING IN WEST MAUI. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK COUNCIL MEMBER TAMARA PALTIN FOR WORKING WITH OUR AGENCY, AND SUPPORTING THIS PROJECT TO ADD ADDITIONAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS. ON ANY GIVEN NIGHT WE HAVE IN OUR FACILITIES WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY 1300 INDIVIDUALS UNDER OUR ROOFS. WITH THESE MEMBERS SLEEPING ON BEACHES OR MAKESHIFT SHELTERS. WE HAVE A PROBLEM OF HOMELESSNESS OR HOUSELESSNESS ON OUR ISLAND, ACCORDING TO THE 2023 POINT-IN-TIME COUNT, THERE WAS 704 INDIVIDUALS IDENTIFIED AS HOMELESS ON OUR ISLANDS AND WE KNOW THAT IS A SNAP SHOT OF WHO IS UNSHELTERED AND CERTAINLY NOT THE ENTIRETY OF THE PROBLEM. IN THE LAHAINA ON OUR WEST SIDE OF OUR ISLAND, WE HAVE 113 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE IDENTIFIED AS HOUSELESS OR UNSHELTERED.\r\n\r\nSO THE PROBLEM IS STILL THERE, AND WE ARE STILL WORKING AT SOLVING THE ISSUE, OR THE PROBLEM. WITH THAT, COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN HAVE WORKED TOGETHER TO LOOK AT HOW WE MIGHT POSSIBLY BE ABLE TO PURCHASE THE OLD TRAVEL LODGE IN LAHAINA AT 222 PAPA'ALOA PLACE. HOKUALA HAS PUT IN AN OFFER ON THE FACILITY AND WORKING ON THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE PURCHASE. IF WE DO AND ARE ABLE TO OBTAIN THE FACILITY, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON OUR ISLAND TO 43, WHICH WOULD BE ABLE TO HELP THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS HOMELESS. WE ASK FOR SUPPORT TO APPROVE THE \$7.5 MILLION THAT COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN HAS SET ASIDE IN THE BUDGET, SO WE MAY CONTINUE WITH THE ACQUISITION AND RENOVATION OF THE FACILITY. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR BEING HERE TODAY AND I'M ABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE. I DO AGAIN ASK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND APPROVAL OF THIS BUDGET ITEM.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. >> THANK YOU, MS. IBARRA. ANY QUESTIONS? >> IT WAS SHARED THIS MORNING THAT THE PURCHASE PRICE CHANGED TO \$5.7 MILLION. IS THAT LOOKING LIKE IT COULD

HAPPEN? WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS?\r\n\r>> THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION, COUNCIL MEMBER. THE ASKING PRICE HAS BEEN DROPPED TO \$5.7 MILLION. WE DID PUT IN AN OFFER FOR THAT AMOUNT, BUT THERE ARE OTHER ENTITIES THAT ARE ALSO SEEKING TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY. >> IT'S STILL UP FOR SALE? >> YES, THE WEINBERG FOUNDATION OWNS THE PROPERTY AND WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THEM. THEY VERY INTERESTED IN SUPPORTING OUR PROJECT, SO THEY HAVE HELD OFF ON ACCEPTING ANY OFFERS UNTIL WE CAN SHOW THAT WE DO HAVE THE FUNDS -- THE POTENTIAL FUNDS TO BE ABLE TO MAKE THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY. OUR AGENCY ALSO DOES HAVE \$2.5 MILLION SET ASIDE TO INVEST IN INCREASED AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON OUR ISLAND.\r\n\r\nSO WE WOULD BE PARTNERED IN THAT, BUT THE WEINBERG FOUNDATION IS WAITING ON US TO FIND OUT HOW OUR FUNDING IS GOING TO WORK OUT. >> THANK YOU. >> ANY MORE QUESTIONS? FROM ANYBODY? THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MS. IBARRA. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS TESTIFYING ON BILL 22, CD 1 (2023) FOLLOWED BY COE MANALO MD.\r\n>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'M HERE AS A BOARD MEMBER OF KA HALE A KE OLA TO SUPPORT THIS PROJECT OF CONVERTING THE OLD TRAVEL LODGE TO HOUSING FOR HOMELESS IN THE AREA AND SPACE FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS. WE ENVISION AN ATTRACTIVE RENOVATION WITH LANDSCAPING TO MAKE IT FOR PRIVACY, AND TO MAKE IT A BEAUTIFUL SPOT, TOO. WE WANT IT TO BE AN ASSET TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE COMMUNITY TO SEE IT THAT WAY. THAT WE WILL BE PROVIDING SERVICES AND HOUSING AT THE SAME TIME. I WANT TO THANK COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN FOR SUGGESTING THAT WE TAKE A LOOK AT THIS PROPERTY AND WE HAVE BEEN VERY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT IT AS BEING A SUCCESSFUL PROJECT FOR WEST SIDE, AND PROVIDING THE 43 UNITS OF LOW-INCOME HOUSING. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.\r\n\r\nI THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK ON THIS YEAR'S BUDGET. I'M TESTIFYING FROM IN THE CLINIC RIGHT NOW IN SUPPORT OF CC 23-24, WHICH INTENDS TO AMEND THE BUDGET TO ALLOCATE \$140,000 TO THE COASTAL CARE AND I'M THE PHYSICIAN WHO FUNDED THE URGENT CARE AND NOW HOPING DR. ALULI STAFF TO BE HERE TO RE-OPEN THE CLINIC HE RAN FOR 45 YEARS. WE INTEND TO TRY TO FILL THE GAP OF SERVICE LEFT AFTER SOME UNTIMELY AND TRAGIC LOSS OF TWO REALLY BIG PILLARS IN THE COMMUNITY FOR PHYSICIANS, AND SUBSEQUENT RETIREMENTS, AND OTHER LOSS OF PHYSICIAN WORKFORCE. DURING THE MOLOKA'I BUDGET HEARING YOU HEARD FROM THE NURSE, OUR NURSE ON STAFF RIGHT NOW ABOUT THE URGENCY OF RECEIVING FUNDING. WE KNOW THAT PROVIDING NEEDED HEALTH CARE ON MOLOKA'I IS EXTREMELY CHALLENGING. AND WE COULD USE ALL OF THE SUPPORT WE CAN GET TO REALLY GET THE CLINIC BACK UP OFF THE GROUND.\r\n\r\nRIGHT NOW THE FUNDING IS GOING TO BE USED FOR THE START-UP. SO JUST GETTING THINGS REORGANIZED, RE-HIRING THE STAFF. WE'RE IN THE SPACE RIGHT NOW AND ACTIVELY SEEING PATIENTS AND THIS WILL HELP US GET THROUGH THE FIRST FEW MONTHS GETTING THE CREDENTIALING AND INSURANCE AND OTHER NECESSARY SUSTAINABLE FUNDING IN PLACE. I CAN ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THAT, BUT I JUST REALLY THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO TESTIFY IN SUPPORT OF CC 23-24. THANK YOU. MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? MEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU CHAIR.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. I WAS WONDERING WAS THIS THE ONE YOU NEEDED MONIES BEFORE JULY 1ST OR IT WAS OKAY AFTER JULY 1ST? >> >> YEAH, THE URGENCY IS ALWAYS THERE. I THINK YOU KNOW, I WAS REALLY APPRECIATIVE OF YOU HEARING OUR TESTIMONY. I'M TAKING A CALCULATED PROFESSIONAL RISK TO DO THIS. SO THE EXPANSION RELIES ON OUR CLINICAL BASE KIND OF BEING AS BROAD AS POSSIBLE. WE'RE IN THAT WEIRD SITUATION, WHERE THE MONEY IS NEEDED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, BUT WE ARE LOOKING FOR OTHER WAYS OF GETTING SUPPORT AS WELL.\r\n\r\nIT'S JUST THAT WE REALLY HAD TO HIT THE GROUND RUNNING BECAUSE THE GAP IN CARE IS 5-6 MONTHS FOR A LOT OF PEOPLE. SO WE TOOK THAT LEAP OF FAITH AND WE'RE -- THE SOONER THE BETTER BUT WE'RE

MAKING THINGS WORK THE BEST WE CAN. >> CAN YOU JUST REMIND ME WHAT THE AGENDA ITEM WAS AGAIN? >> THE AGENDA ITEM IS CC 23-24. >> OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU SO MUCH. >> ANY MORE QUESTIONS?\r\n\r\nIF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT TESTIFIER. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS KIMBERLY DEL MOR, FOLLOWED BY WILLIAM SPENCE. MS. DEL MOR, IT'S YOUR TIME TO TESTIFY. >> CAN YOU HEAR ME? >> YES.\r\n\r\n>> HI, GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS KIMBERLY DELL MOR AND I WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY IN SUPPORT OF CC 23-16. TO PROVIDE \$6 MILLION FROM THE OPEN SPACE FUND FOR THE LAND ACQUISITION TO CREATE A PERMANENT OPEN SPACE BUFFER. I HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT OF WAIKAPU IN THE WAIKAPU GARDENS SUBDIVISION FOR TEN YEARS, AND HAVE SERVED ON THE BOARD OF WAIKAPU COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FOR MORE THAN EIGHT YEARS. EVER SINCE I HAVE BEEN ON THE BOARD IT'S BEEN STATED MANY TIMES AS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT WE MAINTAIN A GREEN BUFFER ZONE AROUND WAIKAPU THAT SEPARATES WAIKAPU FROM WAILUKU AND, IN FACT OUR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF VALUES HAS A SECTION THAT SAYS MAINTAIN A PHYSICAL AND VISUAL SEPARATION OF COMMUNITIES BY ESTABLISHING A GREENBELT OPEN SPACE BUFFER AROUND WAIKAPU THAT IDENTIFIES A SEPARATE AND UNIQUE COMMUNITY. THIS IDEA OF WAIKAPU PU BEING SEPARATE FROM WAILUKU IS AT THE CORE OF OUR VALUES FOR WAIKAPU. HOWEVER, IT'S QUICKLY ERODING AND BECOMING ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO DISTINGUISH WHERE WAIKAPU ENDS AND WAILUKU BEGINS. THE SEPARATION IS BEING SWALLOWED BY DEVELOPMENT AFTER DEVELOPMENT AND THE AREA HAS SEVERAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS EITHER RECENTLY COMPLETED OR IN PROGRESS, INCLUDING ONE WAIKAPU COUNTRY TOWN, TWO, PUNANI HOMESTEAD BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOMELANDS, THREE - FOUR, WAIKAPU VENTURES DEVELOPMENT, FIVE, THE WAY TO WAILUKU HEIGHTS, KUIKAHI VILLAGE IS UNDER DEVELOPMENT AND 6, ACROSS FROM LONGS LESS THAN ONE MILE FROM MY HOME IN WAIKAPU GARDENS AND BOUNDARY OF MAJOR STREETS IS GIANT KAL LANI AHINA APARTMENTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION. REPRESENTATIVES FROM KALANA MAHINA EXPRESSED THAT THEY FEEL THEIR PART OF WAILUKU AND NOT NECESSARILY WAIKAPU.\r\n\r\nWHERE IS THE BOUNDARY IN IT'S BLURRED AND THE PROBLEM AND WHY WE NEED TO CREATE A DISTINGUISHABLE GREEN BUFFER. TO THANK CHAIR ALICE LEE FOR HER REGULAR ATTENDANCE AT OUR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEETINGS FOR MANY YEARS AND LISTENING TO OUR CONCERNS AND NEEDS. PLEASE SUPPORT THE FUNDING TO CREATE AN OPEN SPACE BUFFER. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. MEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU, MS. DEL MOR, FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. I JUST WAS WONDERING DO YOU KNOW IF THERE'S A WILLING SELLER? HOW MANY ACRES WE'RE TALKING ABOUT? AND HAS YOUR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, WILL THEY BE THE ONES MANAGING THE LAND? OR HAVE YOU GUYS IN YOUR MEETINGS DISCUSSED THE MANAGEMENT OF THIS LAND? >> WE WOULD NOT -- WE HAVE NOT DISCUSSED THAT WE WOULD BE THE MANAGER.\r\n\r\nWE HAVE EXPRESSED TO CHAIR LEE THAT OUR COMMUNITY, THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT TO HAVE A BUFFER AND WE ASKED IF THERE WOULD BE MONEY PUT IN THE BUDGET, AND I KNOW THAT THEY DID PUT MONEY IN LAST YEAR. BUT MY UNDERSTANDING IS I DON'T KNOW WHO HAS BEEN DOING THE DIRECT COMMUNICATION, BUT CHAIR LEE MENTIONED THERE'S SOME LANDOWNERS -- THE LANDOWNER OR OWNERS, I'M NOT SURE WHO THEY HAVE BEEN IN DISCUSSION WITH. I DON'T HAVE THE SPECIFICS AND TRUSTING CHAIR LEE AND WHOEVER IS WORKING ON THIS TO HAVE THAT NEGOTIATION. BUT I WOULD HATE FOR -- I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S TOO EARLY, BUT I WOULD HATE FOR THEM TO COME TO SOME KIND OF -- YOU KNOW, SOME KIND OF MEETING OF THE MIND AND SAY, WE WANT TO ACQUIRE THIS FOR THIS PURPOSE, BUT BEING TOLD, THERE'S NO MONEY. SO NOW WE CAN'T DO THIS UNTIL NEXT BUDGETING TIME. I'M NOT REALLY SURE HOW ALL THAT WORKS? AGAIN, CHAIR LEE HAS LISTENED TO US, KNOWING HOW IMPORTANT THIS IS.\r\n\r\nI KNOW THERE'S

BEEN SOME DISCUSSIONS, AND I'M GOING TO JUST TRUST THEY ARE GOING TO HANDLE IT THE RIGHT WAY. THANK YOU. >> I JUST WAS ASKING, MY EXPERIENCE, WE DID A SIMILAR THING FOR HON ALU AND WE DIDN'T KNOW -- THAT MILLION DOLLAR PLACEHOLDER HELD THE DESIRES THE COMMUNITY UNTIL WHICH TIME WE KNEW. I JUST ASK BECAUSE IF SOMETHING ELSE COMES UP, AND THIS IS EARMARKED, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO MOVE ON THAT. NOT KNOWING WHAT THE PURCHASE PRICE IS, NOT KNOWING IF THERE'S A WILLING SELLER MAKES IT DIFFICULT. I SUPPORT THE BUFFER AND ALSO, WE HAVE SEEN THE COUNTY PURCHASE LAND, AND THEN IT BECOMES AN UNMANAGED HOMELESS CAMP WITHOUT A PLAN. SO THOSE ARE CONCERNS THAT I TOTALLY SUPPORT THE IDEA OF A BUFFER, BUT AS A COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, MAYBE YOU CAN HELP US WITH THOSE OTHER QUESTIONS AS WELL.\r\n\r\nHOW MANY ACRES WE'RE TALKING ABOUT? IF THERE'S A WILLING SELLER? WHAT THE PRICE? HOW IT WILL BE MANAGED? BECAUSE I'M ASSUMING THAT YOU DON'T WANT THE COUNTY TO MANAGE IT IN A WAY THAT YOU FOLKS ARE NOT OKAY WITH; RIGHT? >> WELL, I THINK THIS IS MORE BROAD, I GUESS, THE IDEA OF A BUFFER. I HAVE MY PERSONAL IDEAS AND I CAN'T NECESSARILY SPEAK FOR THE COMMUNITY.\r\n\r\nIN MY MIND I THINK A COUNTY PARK WOULD ACTUALLY MAKE SENSE, BUT I CAN'T -- WE HAVEN'T GONE THROUGH THOSE SPECIFICS, BUT IT SEEMS EVERY SINGLE PARCEL BETWEEN HERE AND WAIKAPU AND WAILUKU IS BEING DEVELOPED. SO IF WE DON'T DO SOMETHING NOW, IT'S ALL JUST GOING TO BECOME DEVELOPED PROPERTIES. >> YES. I THINK THOSE WOULD BE THE NEXT STEPS, LIKE, IF WE'RE ALL SERIOUS ABOUT THAT? THOSE ARE THE NEXT STEPS WE ALL NEED TO DO TOGETHER. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU, MS.\r\n\r\nDEL MOR. >> THANK YOU, KIMBERLY. I WAS GOING TO WAIT UNTIL LATER UNTIL THE ITEM CAME UP, BUT FOR YOUR INFORMATION, MICHELE MCLEAN HAS BEEN WORKING ON THIS FOR A NUMBER OF WEEKS NOW, AND IN TOUCH WITH THE VARIOUS LANDOWNERS, AND SO THE LANDOWNERS ARE INTERESTED IN SELLING. SO SHE IS ALSO WORKING WITH THE ADMINISTRATION ON THE TIMELINE, AND THEY HAVE TO IMPLEMENT THIS FUNDING. SO WE'RE TRYING TO WORK WITH THE ADMINISTRATION TO SEE WHEN AND IF THIS IS GOING TO HAPPEN, AND OF COURSE, WHO IS GOING TO MAINTAIN, NO. 1, WHICH DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO HANDLE THE PURCHASE? AND WHICH DEPARTMENT OR NONPROFIT IS GOING TO HANDLE THE MAINTENANCE?\r\n\r\nSO ALL OF THIS IS IN THE WORKS. WE DON'T HAVE ANY FINALIZED DETAILS THAT WOULD COME FROM THE ADMINISTRATION AFTER THE BUDGET IS APPROVED. OKAY? MEMBER SUGIMURA. >> WELL, MAYBE YOU CAN ANSWER THE QUESTIONS THAT TAMARA WAS ASKING. DO YOU KNOW WHO THE LANDOWNERS ARE? >> THEY ARE MULTIPLE LANDOWNERS.\r\n\r\n>> AND? THEIR NAMES? >> WELL, THIS IS NOT SOMETHING THAT WE'LL DISCUSS RIGHT NOW. >> OKAY. >> ANYBODY ELSE ON THIS QUESTION? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT TESTIFIER.\r\n\r\n>> THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS WILLIAM SPENCE TESTIFYING ON BILL 22, FOLLOWED BY BRETT FEIN STOCK. >> GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR, COUNCIL MEMBERS. IT'S NICE TO SEE YOU THIS MORNING. MY NAME IS WILLIAM SPENCE, AND I'M HERE TO TESTIFY -- A LITTLE CLOSER. OKAY. GREAT. SO I'M REPRESENTING ALOHA HOUSE THIS MORNING, AND I'M TESTIFYING IN FAVOR OF THEIR GRANT FOR \$350,000. THAT IS FOR CONSTRUCTION.\r\nAND I WAS ASKED TO TESTIFY THIS MORNING. THEY ARE PROCEEDING WITH THE DESIGN AND PERMITTING THAT WAS -- I GUESS IN THE FY'23 BUDGET. AND I'M HERE -- I UNDERSTAND COUNCIL MEMBER JOHNSON WILL BE PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO BILL 22. AND JUST TO EXPLAIN A LITTLE BIT WHY: DURING THE PERMITTING PROCESS, THEY HAVE COME UP WITH DESIGN. THEY HIRED AN ARCHITECT AND SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR DESIGN OF INDIVIDUAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT. YOU KNOW, SEPTIC SYSTEM. AND THE DESIGN SO FAR HAS BEEN UP FOR SIX BEDROOMS, AND UP TO 12 INDIVIDUALS. WHAT HAPPENED WHEN THEY SUBMITTED TO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RULES SAY YOU

CAN ONLY HAVE UP TO FIVE BEDROOMS FOR INDIVIDUAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT.\r\n\r\nSO THE RULES ARE NOT SPECIFIC ON HOW MANY PEOPLE YOU CAN HAVE IN THOSE BEDROOMS? SO THEY CAN STILL -- THE PLAN HAS ALWAYS BEEN FOR 12 INDIVIDUALS TO RECEIVE TREATMENT AT THIS NEW DORMITORY. THEY CAN STILL COULD THAT WITH FIVE BEDROOMS. THE DOH'S RULES ARE NOT SPECIFIC, AGAIN, ON HOW MANY PEOPLE YOU CAN HAVE IN A BEDROOM? SO WITH THAT, I'M AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS, AND I'M JUST SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT. >> MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? NO QUESTIONS.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU VERY MUCH, WILL. >> THANK YOU, MEMBERS. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS BRETT FEIN STOCK, TO BE FOLLOWED BY ANN PITCATHLEY >> GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BRETT FINE STOCK AND I'M THE BOARD AT THE POINT AND I HAVE TESTIFIED ON THIS MAYBE TEN YEARS PLUS. I JUST KEEP BRINGING IT UP OVER THE YEARS, IN THE HOPES THAT SOMETHING GETS DONE ABOUT THE WATER RATE STRUCTURE. RIGHT NOW THE WATER RATE STRUCTURE IS RESIDENTIAL FOR HOMES AND AGRICULTURE FOR THE FARMS, AND ALL OTHERS. SO CONDOMINIUMS THAT ARE NOT VACATION RENTALS SAY HARBOR LIGHT OR SOUTH POINT, OR THE VILLAGES WE FALL UNDER OTHER CATEGORY.\r\n\r\nSO I AM NOT THE BOARD PRESIDENT NOW, JUST ON THE BOARD. OVER THE YEARS, WE HAVE RAISED OUR KIDS AT SOUTH POINT, MY WIFE AND I, AND WONDERED WHY DO I LIVE AT SOUTH POINT AND PAY THE SAME RATE FOR WATER AS THE FOUR SEASONS OR COSTCO? I JUST NEVER UNDERSTOOD THAT AND I HAVE BEEN COMING HERE. MAYOR VICTORINO WAS THE WATER RESOURCE COMMITTEE CHAIR WHEN I FIRST BROUGHT IT UP. I DIDN'T DO A GOOD JOB OF PRESENTING IT AND THERE'S NOBODY ELSE HERE, YOU KNOW, THAT IS HERE, LIKE IT'S NOT LIKE THE ROOM IS FULL OF PEOPLE WANTING THIS CHANGE. AND THE REASON I THINK THAT IS BECAUSE THEY -- THEY DON'T PAY THE WATER BILLS. YOU KNOW?\r\n\r\nTHE WATER BILL IS PAID BY THE BOARD OR WHOEVER THE BOARD CHOOSES TO PAY THAT BILL, AND THEY DON'T SEE WHAT HAPPENS AT A PLACE LIKE SOUTH POINT, OR LIKE KIHI VILLAGES OR THE SOUTHSIDE. THEY DON'T SEE THAT YOU HAVE A FEW METERS, AND THAT WE GET ON THE TOP-TIER OF THE PRICE IN THE FIRST COUPLE OF HOURS, BECAUSE WE HAVE LIKE 50 UNITS ON A METER; RIGHT? SO IF YOU LOOK AT THE O'AHU RATE STRUCTURE IS PER UNIT; RIGHT? WE HAVE 346 UNITS AT SOUTH POINT. SO EACH UNIT GETS 5,000 GALLONS OF WATER AT A LOWER RATE, BECAUSE WE'RE RESIDENTIAL. BUT WE HAVE NEVER, IT'S NEVER COME TO MAUI, AND SO I'M ALWAYS JUST ASKING FOR THAT? I KNOW I BELIEVE THERE'S A NEW RATE BEING PROPOSED THIS TIME FOR THE HOTELS.\r\n\r\nAND SO, I DON'T REALLY HAVE ANY FEELING ABOUT THAT ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, OR COMMENT. BUT I DO ABOUT THE RESIDENTIAL PEOPLE, WHO PAY THE SAME RATE AS COSTCO, OR SOMEBODY ELSE. A BUSINESS OR WHATEVER. I THINK THE "ALL OTHER" CATEGORY WAS MEANT FOR BUSINESSES OR HOTELS, BUT IT WASN'T -- I USED TO BRING THE EL PARK SIDE, I'M NOT EL PARK SIDE, BUT HARBOR LIGHTS BOARD MEMBERS DOWN HERE TO TESTIFY ON THIS. AND I KNOW IT'S A BIG DEAL TO CHANGE THE STRUCTURE THAT MUCH. YOU HAVE TO GET THE RATES, BUT I WOULD LOVE TO PARTICIPATE IN A COMMITTEE. I ASKED DAVE TAYLOR A LONG TIME AGO, CAN YOU DO A STUDY?\r\n\r\nHE DIDN'T WANT TO DO THAT, BUT HE DID DO A STUDY THAT REALLY DIDN'T PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION AND THANK YOU SO MUCH. >> ANY QUESTIONS? MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. ALOHA, MR. FEIN STOCK, MAHALO FOR YOUR TESTIMONY AND BEING INVOLVED ALL THESE YEARS. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\n>> YOU ARE ACTUALLY THE FIRST PERSON TO LET ME KNOW ABOUT HOW MULTI-FAMILY AND CONDOS AND RESIDENTS AND ALL OTHER GENERAL USERS PAY THE SAME AMOUNT AS HOTELS. THAT WAS THE ON OR ORIGIN OF THE HOTEL RATE WE HAVE CONSIDERED IN THIS BUDGET THIS PAST SESSION. SO ALL USERS WAS THE FIRST CATEGORY, AND ONLY CATEGORY, AND THEN LATER SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS WAS SEPARATED FROM ALL GENERAL USERS. SO IT WASN'T INTENDED FOR BUSINESSES ONLY, IT WAS

INTENDED FOR EVERYBODY. SO THAT IS HOW THAT WORKED. SO AT THE BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY MEETING, I BELIEVE IN FEBRUARY, YOU AND SOME OF THE RESIDENTS AT SOUTH POINT ATTENDED, AND OUR NEW WATER DIRECTOR, DIRECTOR STUFFLEBEAN SHARED WITH YOU IT'S SOMETHING THAT THE DEPARTMENT COULD WORK ON, BUT IT'S NOT A MATTER OF JUST CHANGING THE STRUCTURE. THAT IN ORDER TO GET A CORRECT READING OF EACH UNIT, INFRASTRUCTURE WOULD NEED TO BE PUT IN.\r\nSO WE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO JUST CHARGE EACH UNIT WITHOUT THERE BEING A CORRECT READING. DO YOU RECALL THAT? >> I DIDN'T STAY AROUND FOR THAT. I ONLY TESTIFIED, AND THEN LEFT. SO I DIDN'T REALLY HEAR ANYTHING ABOUT THAT. SO IF I COULD JUST SAY SOMETHING? I BELIEVE THAT O'AHU HAS IT FIGURED OUT.\r\n\r\nI DON'T KNOW, BUT I MEAN, I JUST -- WHEN I LOOK AT THEIR STRUCTURE, ONE THING I THINK WHAT HAPPENED, IF YOU WENT AND GAVE -- 346 UNITS, YOU GAVE 5,000 GALLONS AT A LOWER RATE, REVENUES WOULD DROP AND HAS TO GO UP WITH WHAT IS HAPPENING. O'AHU GIVES THEM A FEW THOUSAND GALLONS IN MULTI-FAMILY. ONE REAL CONCERN, IF THOSE WATER PENALTIES KICK IN FOR WATER SHORTAGE, IT'S GOING TO DEVASTATE FOR THOSE RESIDENTIALS. WE'RE NOT READY -- I TOLD DAVE, PLEASE DON'T DO THAT UNTIL YOU GET THE STRUCTURE RIGHT, THEN WE CAN TAKE A PENALTY. I'M SORRY, DOES THAT MAKE SENSE WHAT I'M SAYING? >> YEAH, WELL, SO IT SOUNDS LIKE THE BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY IS INTERESTED IN WORKING WITH YOU FOLKS ON THIS. >> I SEE.\r\n\r\n>> AS WELL AS THE NEW DIRECTOR. SO I THINK THE FIRST PLACE TO START WOULD BE THE BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY. >> I WILL. >> AND LATER, THIS COUNCIL COULD TAKE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD, AND PROVIDE FUNDING, OR WHATEVER IS NEEDED TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET AN ACCURATE READING OF EACH UNIT IN ORDER TO CHARGE EACH UNIT THE CORRECT USE. >> SO I WASN'T SAYING EACH UNIT, BUT STILL GET A GENERAL BILL, BUT I COULD WORK WITH THEM. I WOULD LOVE TO DO THAT. I'M READY.\r\n\r\nTOM, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THAT? IS THAT YOUR AREA, TOO? I'M SORRY --?>> MR. COOK. >> THANK YOU. I DID WANT TO WEIGH-IN ON IT. >> EXCUSE ME, I'M SORRY.\r\n\r\nWERE YOU DONE? >> I'M SORRY, TOO >> IT'S OKAY. I WAS GOING TO SAY I'M HAPPY TO CONTINUE WORKING ON THIS, BUT IF COUNCIL MEMBER COOK WANTS TO TAKE IT OVER, SURE. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> THANK YOU. I WELCOME MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ' INFORMATION. WHEN THIS CAME UP WITH THE WATER DIRECTOR FOR RATES, THE QUESTION WAS HOW COULD WE GET FAIRNESS?\r\n\r\nAND THE RECOMMENDATION WAS TO SEPARATELY METER EACH UNIT. MY COMMENT WAS THAT COULD POTENTIALLY BE VERY DIFFICULT, AND A LOT OF DIFFERENT STRUCTURES. SO THE WATER DEPARTMENT, AND THE COUNCIL WILL WORK ON THAT. THE UNITS THAT YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT DON'T NEED TO BE PAYING HOTEL RATES AND I THINK THAT IS PRETTY MUCH IN AGREEMENT. REGULAR WORKING PEOPLE. SO WE'LL WORK ON THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR COMING TO GIVE TESTIMONY, BECAUSE YOU ARE ONE OF THE FIRST DURING THIS WHOLE COUNCIL.\r\n\r\n>> I DO RECOGNIZE WHAT YOU HAVE DONE. I DO. YOU KNOW, YOU ARE THE FIRST ONE THAT HEARD ME. I HAVE BEING DOING THIS FOR TEN YEARS AND GOD, SHE HEARD WHAT I SAID, YOU KNOW? I'M GRATEFUL FOR THAT AND I JUST WANTED YOU TO KNOW. >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ANY MORE QUESTIONS?\r\n\r\nI DON'T SEE ANY. THANK YOU, MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT TESTIFIER, PLEASE. >> CHAIR, THE NEST TESTIFIER IS ANN PITCATHLEY, TO BE FOLLOWED BY DAVID GOODE. >> ALOHA, CAN YOU HEAR ME? >> YES. ALOHA. >> ALOHA ALL.\r\n\r\nMY NAME IS ANN PICATHLEY. I'M NOT SURE IF IT'S INCLUSIVE OR APPLIES TO THE BILL 107, AND 111? BUT I MAINTAIN AND URGE THAT IT SHOULD. THE BILL 107 FOR REVIEW IS FOR SALES PRICE GUIDELINES FOR COUNTY SUBSIDIZED HOUSING RECOMMENDED BY THE MAUL COMPREHENSIVE HOUSING PLAN TO REDUCE THE AVERAGE COST OF AFFORDABLE HOMES BY 22% AND BILL 111 TO ESTABLISH A COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR THIRD-PARTY WAIT-LIST FOR LONG-TERM RESIDENTS OR PRIORITIZE LONG-TERM

RESIDENTS. I KNOW THIS WAS FUNDING WAS CUT AND A COMPROMISE WAS MET. BUT I THINK THESE ARE BOTH BILLS THAT ARE ESSENTIAL, AND JUST THE BASIC PRINCIPLES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING. I ALSO WANT IT ADD THAT IT'S NOT VERY RELEVANT TO THIS, BUT IT IS IN THE WAY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING. I JUST READ IN YESTERDAY'S HONOLULU CIVIL BEAT THAT THE MAUI ZONING CODE IS MORE THAN 60 YEARS OLD, THAT WAS BEFORE STATEHOOD.\r\n\r\nWHEN THE POPULATION WAS ONLY 43,000. AND IT'S SUCH ANOTHER BARRIER TO ACHIEVING AFFORDABLE HOUSING, AND JEFF GILBRAITH SAID IT CREATES SO MUCH MISINTERPRETATIONS AND IT'S AN IMPEDIMENT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO MOVE FORWARD THAT WAS KIND OF SHOCKING READ THIS IS SO OLD AND NEEDS UPDATING. THAT IS ALL I HAVE TO ADD. >> THE 'OHANA ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS FOR RENTAL, NOT FOR-SALE. MEMBER PALTIN. >> I WAS JUST TRYING TO CLARIFY WAS THAT SUPPORT, OPPOSITION OR COMMENTS ONLY? >> I SUPPORT IT. I JUST WASN'T SURE IT WAS INCLUSIVE OR APPLIED TO THE TWO BILLS PASSED WITHIN THE LAST YEAR OR TWO.\r\n\r\n>> OKAY. >> I HOPE IT DOES. I DON'T WANT TO SEE THOSE FALL BY THE WAYSIDE. >> ANYBODY ELSE, QUESTIONS? THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT TESTIFIER. >> DAVID GOODE, FOLLOWED BY KAMALINI NAKA MR.\r\n\r\nGOODE, IT'S YOUR TIME TO TESTIFY. IF YOU COULD UNMUTE ON YOUR SIDE. APOLOGIES MR. GOODE, WE CAN'T HEAR YOU AT ALL. YOU MAY WANT TO TRY LOGGING OFF AND LOGGING BACK ON AND WE'LL RECALL YOU WHEN YOU GET BACK ON. CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS KAMALI'I, TESTIFYING ON CR23-34, FOLLOW BY KEIKI-PUA DANCIL. >> HOW MANY TESTIFIERS DO WE HAVE?\r\n\r\n>> THREE MORE. >> OKAY. WE CAN SEE YOU, BUT YOU ARE MUTED. IF YOU COULD UNMUTE. IT'S YOUR TIME TO TESTIFY. >> ALOHA, CAN YOU HEAR ME? >> YES.\r\n\r\n>> ALOHA, COUNCIL MEMBERS. I AM TESTIFYING ON BEHALF OF THE [SPEAKER NOT UNDERSTOOD] >> COULD YOU SPEAK A LITTLE BIT LOUDER, PLEASE? A LITTLE BIT LOUDER. >> ALOHA, COUNCIL MEMBERS. CAN YOU HEAR ME? >> YES. >> OKAY.\r\n\r\nMY NAME IS KAMALI, AND I'M CALLING FROM THE ISLAND OF MOLOKA'I, AND I'M TESTIFYING ON BEHALF OF THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB, AND TO HAVE THEM IMPLEMENT THEIR PROGRAM ON THE ISLAND OF MOLOKA'I AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THESE CONSIDER GIVING \$280,000 TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB FOR THE ISLAND OF MOLOKA'I. THANK YOU. >> OKAY. DO WE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS? MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. ALOHA, MAHALO FOR YOUR TESTIMONY THIS MORNING.\r\n\r\nJUST WANTED TO CLARIFY, WHEN YOU SAID YOU WERE TESTIFYING ON BEHALF OF THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB, YOU ARE NOT AN EMPLOYEE OF THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB, BUT JUST TESTIFYING IN SUPPORT OF THAT BUDGET AMENDMENT? >> CORRECT. I DON'T WORK FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB. I'M A RESIDENT OF MOLOKA'I, A SOCIAL WORKER WITH CHILD WELFARE SERVICES, KNOWN AS C.P.S.. SO I SEE A LOT OF KIDS, WHO LACK STRUCTURED ACTIVITY ON MOLOKA'I AND THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB HAS TALKED ABOUT POSSIBLY BRINGING THEIR SERVICES AND THEIR PROGRAMS TO THE ISLAND OF MOLOKA'I. WHICH WE DON'T HAVE ANYTHING RIGHT NOW. >> MAHALO FOR THAT CLARIFICATION. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nANY MORE QUESTIONS? IF NOT, NEXT TESTIFIER. >> CHAIR, WE'LL GO BACK TO DAVID GOODE, WHO IS ONLINE TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-146, TO BE FOLLOWED BY KEIKI-PUA DANCIL. >> ALOHA, CHAIR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS. CAN YOU FOLKS HEAR ME NOW? YES? NO?\r\n\r\nOKAY. THANK YOU. >> MR. GOODE, WE'RE ABLE TO BARELY HEAR YOU, IF YOU COULD JUST TRY A LITTLE LOUDER. >> OKAY. IS THIS BETTER? >> NO.\r\n\r\n>> SORRY, I HAVE A NEW LAPTOP AND EVIDENTLY NOT AS SOPHISTICATED AS THE PRIOR ONE. I'M TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-146 ON BEHALF OF THE LED CORE MAUI AND WE HAVE A PROPERTY IN WAILEA THAT DOESN'T QUALIFY AS A PROPERTY THAT SHOULD BE PURCHASED UNDER THE CRITERIA. AND IT'S NOT FOR SALE. BUT THAT BEING SAID, I DID SUBMIT WRITTEN TESTIMONY, YOU FOLKS SHOULD HAVE THAT. I THINK THIS RESOLUTION A IT'S DEFECTIVE AND B, PREMATURE. IT'S DEFECTIVE BECAUSE TWO TMKS WERE

INCORRECTLY NOTICED, WHEN IN FACT THEY ARE ON OTHER STREETS. IT'S INCORRECT AND THEREFORE, DEFECTIVE.\r\n\r\nSECONDLY IT'S PREMATURE AND I THINK THE DISCUSSION WE HEARD ON THE WAIKAPU BUFFER KIND OF UNDERSCORES THE ISSUE HERE. ACQUIRING PROPERTY IS NOT AN EASY TASK. IT REQUIRES A LOT OF COORDINATION WITH A LOT OF DEPARTMENTS, AND OBVIOUSLY, COORDINATION WITH THE NEW CONSERVATION PLANNING COMMITTEE WHICH CURRENTLY HAS A NUMBER OF VACANCIES, INCLUDING THE COUNCIL POSITION. IF YOU ALSO LOOK AT THE CPC, THE CONSERVATION PLANNING COMMITTEE, YOU WILL SEE THAT THEY ARE REQUIRED TO DO GREENPRINTS, WHICH IS BASICALLY A STRATEGY, AND PRIORITIZATION OF PROPERTIES TO ACQUIRE. YOU FOLKS RECENTLY GAVE THEM TWO MORE YEARS TO COMPLETE THAT, WHICH IS THE END OF 2024. AND THAT WORK NEEDS TO BE DONE. ALSO THERE'S A WETLAND STUDY THAT IS ONGOING. THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT IS EXPECTED TO HAVE THAT COMPLETED BY THE END OF THE YEAR.\r\n\r\nTHAT WILL CERTAINLY GUIDE YOU AS YOU DO HAVE IDENTIFIED \$5 MILLION IN THIS CURRENT BUDGET FOR POTENTIAL WETLAND PROPERTIES OF WHICH SOME ARE IN THE RESOLUTION AND THAT NEEDS TO BE COMPLETED BEFORE THAT IS TAKEN UP. FINALLY THE REQUEST IS NOT FISCALLY CONSTRAINED. IT INCLUDES 70,000 ACRES ON LANA'I, WHICH SOUNDS LIKE LANA'I COMPANY IS GOING TO TESTIFY TO -- EXCUSE ME, PULAMA LANA. IT NEEDS TO BE FISCALLY CONSTRAINED WITH THE \$5 MILLION FOR WETLANDS AND \$5 MILLION FOR THE BUFFER AREA, THERE'S JUST NOT ENOUGH MONEY TO GO AROUND FOR LIST THAT INCLUDES MILLIONS OF PROPERTIES. TO FILE THIS ITEM TODAY AND TO FIGURE OUT THE PROCESS, HOW WILL THIS BE ACCOMPLISHED? CAN EVERY MEMBER SUBMIT 80 PROPERTIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY TO BE POTENTIALLY LOOKED AT BY THE CPC, WHO HAS 120 DAYS AND NOT STAFFED CURRENTLY BY THE MAYOR'S OFFICE? SO CLEARLY, IT'S NOT GOING TO WORK AS CURRENTLY OFFERED IN THIS RESOLUTION.\r\n\r\nAND THERE NEEDS TO BE A GOOD PROCESS TO COME UP WITH A GOOD RESULT. SO MY TWO CENTS HERE TO FILE THE ITEM AND COME UP WITH A GOOD PROCESS IN COMMITTEE. THEN CONSIDER OTHER PROPERTIES ONCE THEY HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? MEMBER PALTIN.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU, MR. GOODE FOR YOUR TESTIMONY TODAY. I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY, BECAUSE YOU MENTIONED THE LIST OF PROPERTIES ON THE RESOLUTION, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE WAIKAPU BUFFER ZONE. ARE YOU SAYING TO FILE THE WAIKAPU AND THE WETLANDS LIST? ARE YOU JUST TALKING ABOUT THE WETLANDS LIST? I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY ARE YOU SAYING ALL OF IT SHOULD BE SUBJECT TO THE CONSERVATION PLANNING COMMITTEE?\r\n\r\nOR JUST THIS LIST ON THE RESOLUTION? >> TWO DIFFERENT THINGS HERE. GOOD QUESTION. THANK YOU, MEMBER PALTIN. SO THE CONSERVATION PLANNING COMMITTEE IS RELATIVELY NEW. THEY HAVE HAD TO BE REFORMED; RIGHT? THEY ARE NOT CURRENTLY STAFFED.\r\n\r\nTHEY HAVE GOT A LONG WAYS TO GO TO GET ORGANIZED. THEY DON'T HAVE RULES. AND WHAT I WAS DRAWING ON WAS THE DISCUSSION YOU JUST HAD ABOUT WAIKAPU AND OBVIOUSLY, THERE SOUNDS LIKE THERE'S A NEED THERE AND PROCESS THAT THEY WILL GO THROUGH AND WHETHER THAT GOES TO CPC OR NOT, I DON'T KNOW. I DON'T KNOW HOW THAT PROCESS WORKS, BUT IT SHOWS YOU IT'S COMPLICATED AND IT'S JUST ONE PARCEL. THE RESOLUTION IN FRONT OF YOU IS FOR 78 PARCELS. TWO OF WHICH WERE INCORRECTLY NOTIFIED, ONE ON LANA'I AND IN KIHEI AND SOME ARE WET LANDS AND A WHOLE BUNCH ARE NOT AND TO BURDEN THE COMMITTEE WITH THIS LIST IS GOING TO BE A TIME NOT WELL-SPENT, BUT WOULD BE BETTER SPENT BY UNDERSTANDING WHAT IS THE PROCESS? TO DO THIS EFFECTIVE, IF PARCELS MAKE SENSE OR PLANS LIKE THE WETLANDS PLAN OR GREENPRINTS PLAN THAT HAVE IDENTIFIED PARCELS?\r\n\r\nTHEN YOU HAVE SOMETHING THAT YOU CAN MOVE FORWARD ON. RIGHT NOW AS IT IS, THIS IS 76 RANDOM PARCELS. WE DON'T KNOW WHY THEY ARE ON THE LIST? I DON'T

KNOW -- BUT IT'S ON THE LIST. SO ANYWAY, I'M JUST TRYING TO DISTINGUISH, AND CLARIFY THAT EVEN THE PURCHASE OF ONE PROPERTY, AND I RAN INTO A GUY IN THE ELEVATOR, A GUY, YOU KNOW JUST TO DO ONE PARCEL, THAT GUYS WORK SO HARD TO GET ONE PARCEL PURCHASED. THERE'S NO WAY 78 PARCELS ALL AT ONE CRACK UNJUSTIFIED MAKES ANY SENSE AT ALL. >> OKAY.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. THANK YOU, MR. GOODE. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> MR. JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nJUST TO LET YOU KNOW, MR. GOODE, WE'RE GOING TO TAKE THIS TO COMMITTEE AND WHITTLE DOWN THE LIST. WE WORKED WITH SIERRA CLUB AND A LOT OF NONPROFITS ON THIS LIST. SO THERE WILL BE CHANGED CHANGES TO THE LIST AND I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU WHEN IT COMES TO COMMITTEE, PLEASE JOIN US IN THAT DISCUSSION. IT WILL BE OPENED TO THE PUBLIC. THANK YOU. THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. >> ANYBODY ELSE? QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> MAHALO. >> NEXT TESTIFIER. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS KEIKI-PUA DANCIL.\r\n\r\n>> COUNCIL MEMBERS, MAHALO. I SUBMITTED WRITTEN TESTIMONY TODAY TO THE COUNTY CLERK. I'M SORRY, I SUBMITTED IT LAST NIGHT, AND A YOU WILL WERE AT BCC'D ON THAT AND TAKE HIGHLIGHTS PU LANA'I IS IN OPPOSITION FOR SEVERAL REASONS AND RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THE COUNCIL TO FILE RESOLUTION 23-146. FIRST AND FOREMOST, IT'S TOO PREMATURE TO RECOMMEND PARCELS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS: THE CONSERVATION PLANNING COMMITTEE IS NOT FULLY ESTABLISHED. THERE'S NO ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE FOR STAFFING AND TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, NO DIRECT FUNDING IDENTIFIED TO STAFF THE COMMITTEE. AS SUMP, THE COMMITTEE CANNOT CONDUCT BUSINESS IN ITS CURRENT STATE AND COUNCIL SHOULD WORK WITH THE ADMINISTRATION TO FULLY ESTABLISH A COMMITTEE, PROPERLY STAFF THE COMMITTEE WITH ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS AND FUND THE ACTIVITIES NECESSARY TO CONDUCT BUSINESS. THIS SHOULD INCLUDE FUND ACT MINIMUM TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY OUTREACH TO ALL ISLANDS WITHIN MAUI COUNTY INCLUDING TRAVEL EXPENSES. THERE'S ONE TMK ON LIST.\r\n\r\nTHERE ARE 78 ON THE LIST. 76 IN KIHEI, ONE IS IN WAIL EA. SECONDLY, AS NOTED BY THE PREVIOUS TESTIFIER, THERE ARE MANY EXPIRED POSITIONS ON THE COMMITTEE AND NOT FULLY STAFFED. SECONDLY THERE'S NO GREENPRINT FOR THE CONSERVATION PLAN. IT'S PREMATURE TO PUT FORWARD A LIST IDENTIFIED WITH PARCELS WITHOUT GREENPRINT CONSERVATION PLAN. THE PROPOSED GREENPRINT WAS NEVER ESTABLISHED AND OVERDUE AND THE ORIGINAL DUE DATE WAS DECEMBER 31ST, 2022. GREENPRINT SHOULD ALSO INCLUDE A METHODOLOGY CRITERIA OF PUBLIC OUTREACH, ET CETERA, ALL OF THE THINGS THAT THE COUNCIL HAS SAID TIME AND TIME AGAIN INCLUDE THE PUBLIC, INCLUDE OUTREACH AND THIS LIST WAS PUT TOGETHER WITH ABSOLUTELY NO PUBLIC OUTREACH AND COUNCIL MEMBER JOHNSON SAID HE WORKED WITH THE SIERRA CLUB. THERE WAS NO OUTREACH ON LANA'I. ZERO :LASTLY I WANT TO TALK ABOUT WHAT PULAMA DOES ON THE 69,000 ACRES.\r\n\r\nTHIRD IS PART OF THE COOPERATIVE GAME MAJORITY OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE. THIS IS WHERE WE HAVE HUNTING. THE OTHER THIRD IS OUR WATERSHED PROJECT, A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE FEDERATION, APPROXIMATELY 35% OF THE 69,000 ACRES AND WE ACTIVELY MANAGE THAT AREA WITH FULLY STAFFED CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT. IT'S NOT JUST ACQUISITION OF THE LAND, BUT CONTINUOUS ONGOING MAINTENANCE OF THE LAND AREA. SIGNIFICANT MONEY, MILLIONS A YEAR ARE FUNDED BY PULAMA LANA'I AND RESPECTFULLY REQUEST TO FILE THIS RESOLUTION TODAY FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS. MAHALO FOR YOUR CONTINUED SERVICE AND WE'RE HERE FOR QUESTIONS. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS? MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I JUST WANT TO, GOOD MORNING, DR. DANCIL, THANK YOU FOR COMING AND TO INVITE YOU WHEN THIS COMES TO COMMITTEE AND WE CAN HAVE YOUR INPUT PUT IN THEN. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\n>> ANYONE ELSE? IF NOT,

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT TESTIFIER. >> MAHALO. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS JOSIAH NISHITA, TESTIFYING ON CC 23-20, 21 AND 22, FOLLOWED BY ZHANTELL LINDO. >> ALOHA, COUNCIL CHAIR LEE, ALOHA COUNCIL MEMBERS, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO TESTIFY BEFORE YOU TODAY. FIRST BEFORE I BEGIN, JUST LIKE TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION TO THE COUNCIL, AND BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR ALL OF YOUR FOLKS' HARD WORK IN COMMITTEE.\r\n\r\nTHE LATE-NIGHTS, THE LONG HOURS, AND ESPECIALLY TO THE STAFF, WHO PUT IN SUCH HARD WORK TO MAKE YOUR GUYS' WORK SUCCESSFUL. APPRECIATE YOU ALL THE WORK YOU PUT IN. TO TESTIFY ON COUNTY COMMUNICATION 23-20 AND I WILL KEEP ALL MY REMARKS VERY BRIEF. THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER SINENCI FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD TO US. ESSENTIALLY, WHAT THIS IS ALLOWING US TO RECEIVE UP TO \$160,000 AS A GRANT FOR A STATEWIDE CAMPAIGN FOR INSTALLATION OF FITNESS FOR MORE HEALTHY COMMUNITY AND ACTIVE LIFESTYLES. WE WOULD BE COMPLETELY OPEN TO HEARING MORE ABOUT THIS IN COMMITTEE AND PRESENTING ON THIS WITH OUR PARTNERS, FOR THE COUNCIL MEMBERS' EDUCATION. THIS WOULD BE A PILOT PROJECT TO SEE HOW THESE FITNESS COURSES WOULD HOLD UP IN THE COMMUNITY, WHETHER THE COMMUNITY LIKES THEM?\r\n\r\nWOULD LIKE MORE OF THEM IN AND WHERE THOSE LOCATIONS SHOULD BE? WE APPRECIATE THE WORK WITH STATE AND OTHER PARTNERS THAT HELPED TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN. WE DID APPLY FOR THIS GRANT IN MARCH OF THIS YEAR, RELATIVELY, SO IT JUST RECENTLY BECAME AVAILABLE TO US. SO WE APPRECIATE BRINGING THIS FORWARD AT THIS TIME. COUNTY COMMUNICATION 23-21. THIS IS IN REGARDS TO FUNDING PROVISO IN THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND FOR A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN WAIKAPU. MAYOR BISSEN DOES SUPPORT THE INTENT OF THIS MEASURE. HE DOES WANT TO KEEP IN MIND THE COMMUNITY CONCERNS, AND SENTIMENT, AS WELL AS TO SEE DATA BEHIND THE FEASIBILITY ANALYSIS OF THIS BEFORE MAKING ANY DETERMINATION WHETHER ADDITIONAL HOUSING SHOULD BE BUILT ON THE PROPERTIES OUT THERE?\r\n\r\nBUT AS A FIRST STEP IN THE PROCESS TO IDENTIFY WHAT IS POSSIBLE OUT THERE? HOW THE COMMUNITY FEELS? AND WHAT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO TAKE THE NEXT STEPS? HE DOES SUPPORT CONDUCTING A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON THIS. COUNTY COMMUNICATION 23-22, NO. 6 IN THE ASF, RELATED TO A GRANT FOR BROADBAND INITIATIVES TO SUPPORT DIGITAL EQUITY FOR ALL HAWAI'I RESIDENTS. THIS FUNDING IS INTENDED TO SUPPORT AND ENSURE SUSTAINABLE, ROBUST AND RELIABLE ACCESS TO THE INTERNET FOR RESIDENTS AND SPECIFICALLY TO SUPPORT THE COORDINATION EVER COMMUNITY OUTREACH, GATHERING AND REPORTING APPLICANT AND PARTICIPANT DATA, AND EFFORTS TO SUPPORT A STATEWIDE EFFORT IN SEEKING BROADBAND EQUITY ACCESS AND DEPLOYMENT PROGRAM FUNDING AND DEVELOPMENT OF A FIVE-YEAR DIGITAL EQUITY PLAN FOR HAWAI'I. WE RECENTLY BECAME AWARE OF THE FUNDING BEING AWARE TO US THROUGH THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I. SO WE APPRECIATE THE COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION OF THIS REQUEST.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU VERY MUCH, CHAIR. >> THANK YOU. MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? MEMBER PALTIN, I SEE YOUR HAND >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU, MR. NISHITA FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. I WANTED TO CLARIFY THE \$1 MILLION FOR THE FEASIBILITY STUDY.\r\n\r\n| WASN'T CLEAR, YOU'RE SAYING THAT YOU SUPPORT IT, OR THE ADMINISTRATION SUPPORTS IT, THEY JUST WANT TO BE COGNIZANT ABOUT THE OPEN SPACE BUFFER THAT IS BEING REQUESTED? IS THAT WHAT IT WAS? >> THANK YOU, COUNCIL CHAIR LEE. THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN FOR THE QUESTION. I THINK WHAT WE'VE HEARD, YOU KNOW, SOME DIRECTLY FROM RESIDENTS, SOME MAYBE ANECDOTALLY THERE MAY BE CONCERNS IN WAIKAPU COMMUNITY ABOUT ADDITIONAL HOUSING BEING DEVELOPED IN THE AREA. AND SO EITHER TRAFFIC CONCERNS OR OTHER IMPACTS. SO BEFORE WE'RE INDICATING THAT YES, YOU KNOW, MAKING ANY AFFIRMATIVE DECISIONS THAT AFFORDABLE HOUSING WILL BE

BUILT ON OUR PROPERTIES OUT THERE, WE WANT TO SEE THE DATA COLLECTED AND IMPACTS THAT WILL BE EXPERIENCED AND HEARING FROM THE COMMUNITY BEFORE ANY DECISIONS ARE AFFIRMATIVELY MADE IN THAT REGARD.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. >> TO CLARIFY, IF THE, BUDGET, I NOTICED THE ADMINISTRATION ALLOCATED SOMETHING LIKE \$200,000, \$300,000 FOR FEASIBILITY STUDIES AND TO CLARIFY, THAT WAS FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY, AND NOW \$1 MILLION IS JUST BEING ASKED FOR JUST ONE PARCEL? IS THAT ACCURATE? >> THANK YOU, COUNCIL CHAIR LEE. THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN FOR THE QUESTION. WE DEFER TO THE COUNCIL IN TERMS OF THE AMOUNT OF MONEY YOU WANT TO APPROPRIATE FOR THIS FEASIBILITY STUDY AND WE CAN ALWAYS COME BACK TO COUNCIL FOR FURTHER FUNDING REQUESTS, IF NEEDED. IN TERMS OF THAT, WE DEFER TO YOU FOLKS, AS TO THE AMOUNT OF MONEY YOU WANT TO PROVIDE FOR THIS.\r\n\r\nBUT WE DO SUPPORT THE INTENT OF IT IN TERMS OF IDENTIFYING AND COLLECTING ADDITIONAL DATA FOR THE SUPPORT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN OUR COMMUNITIES. >> YES. JUST CLARIFYING, THE AMOUNT THAT YOU HAD ALLOCATED WAS FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY. THAT \$300,000, OR SOMETHING? OR WAS IT? >> THANK YOU, COUNCIL CHAIR LEE. COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN.\r\n\r\nI'LL HAVE TO GO BACK AND CHECK ON THE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE THAT YOU ARE REFERRING TO. I APOLOGIZE, I DON'T KNOW OFFHAND. >> OKAY. I DON'T KNOW IF IT WAS \$200,000, SOMETHING ALONG THOSE LINES AND MY ASSUMPTIONS WAS THAT FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY. YES, GET BACK TO ME. THANKS. >> VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU CHAIR. GOOD MORNING. NICE TO SEE YOU. COUNTY COMMUNICATION 23-21, THE \$1 MILLION FOR WAIKAPU FOR 300-ACRE PARCEL THAT WE OWN, AND DURING DISCUSSIONS CHIEF VENTURA MENTIONED THAT WAS A POSSIBLE LOCATION FOR FIRE. NOT ONLY HOUSING YOU ARE LOOK AT, BUT YOU ARE LOOKING AT GREATER USES, IS THAT CONFIRMED? >> THANK YOU, COUNCIL CHAIR LEE. YES, I BELIEVE IT'S THE -- THERE'S TWO DIFFERENT PARCELS, 100 ACRE AND 209-ACRE.\r\n\r\nI BELIEVE THE 209-ACRE PARCEL IS WHERE THE SITE OF THE NEW CENTRAL MAUI WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY IS AT. THE COUNTY HAS PLANS DEVELOPED FOR BASEYARD SPACE ALONG KULANI HIGHWAY AND THERE'S BEEN DISCUSSIONS REGARDING ADDITIONAL PARK SPACE, AND OTHER FACILITIES FOR OUR RESIDENTS. YES, IT'S CORRECT THERE'S ADDITIONAL USES THAT COULD TAKE PLACE ON THAT PROPERTY, OTHER THAN JUST ADDITIONAL HOUSING. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> ANY MORE QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> NEXT TESTIFIER. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS ZHANTELL LINDO, FOLLOWED BY THOMAS CROLY. >> ALOHA, AND THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO TESTIFY, CHAIR LEE, AND ALSO COUNCIL MEMBERS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED WORK AND DILIGENCE. I JUST WANT TO SAY MAHALO AND SUPPORT CR23-34 FOR ALL OF YOUR DELIBERATION AND HARD WORK, AND CAREFUL CONSIDERATION OF THESE BUDGET ITEMS. AND THANK YOU FOR LEAVING IN THE \$280,000 FOR MOLOKA'I YOUTH PROGRAMS.\r\n\r\nAND I WANTED TO SUPPORT CC 23-24. THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, IN PARTICULAR THE CONDITION THAT THE MOLOKA'I YOUTH PROGRAM \$280,000 BE REQUIRED TO GIVE UP TO \$280,000 TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB FOR MOLOKA'I PROGRAMMING. AND I WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB IS NOT IN ANY WAY TRYING TO IMPOSE THEMSELVES, THE MAUI BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB ONTO THE ISLAND OF MOLINA, IN FACT, A FEW OTHERS THAT ARE ADAMANTLY CONTINUED FOR YEARS TO WORK WITH AT-RISK CHILDREN HAVE ALWAYS BEEN STRONG ADVOCATES FOR BENEFICIAL YOUTH PROGRAMS ON OUR ISLAND. DURING COVID, AND BECAUSE OF OTHER FACTORS, THOSE YOUTH PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN NON-EXISTENT. SO THIS SMALL CONTINGENCY OF MOLOKA'I PEOPLE WORKED REALLY HARD TO TALK-STORY WITH THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB AND GET THEM TO AGREE TO WANT TO IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM. AT THIS TIME, THAT IS THE BEST AND MOST BENEFICIAL IDEA FOR OUR CHILDREN. SO WE

MAHALO YOU FOR THAT CONSIDERATION, AND HOPE THAT YOU WILL SUPPORT THAT AS WELL. AND FINALLY, I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SUPPORT THE REALLOCATION OF \$140,000 THAT WAS STATED FOR SUSTAINABLE MOLOKA'I, TO GO TO THE URGENT CARE KOHALA URGENT CARE.\r\n\r\nI DON'T KNOW IF PEOPLE LIVING OUTSIDE OF RURAL COMMUNITIES UNDERSTAND HOW HARD IT IS TO GET DOCTORS THAT UNDERSTAND RURAL COMMUNITIES? AND WE WERE FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO HAVE A HANDFUL, MORE IMPORTANTLY TWO NATIVE HAWAIIAN PHYSICIANS THAT WORKED FOR GENERATIONS WITH OUR MOLOKA'I PEOPLE, BUT NOW THEY ARE COME. TO FILL THOSE SHOES REQUIRES SOMEBODY SUPER SPECIAL. THEY ARE NOT JUST A FRIEND TO US, BUT SHE WAS THE FIRST ONE ON-SCENE TO HELP HANA AND KOHALA FOR COVID TESTING AT THE HEIGHT OF COVID IN HAWAI'I. SHE WAS BRAVE ENOUGH TO BATTLE THE POLITICAL ENTITIES TO MAKE IT HAPPEN AND HERE SHE IS AGAIN OFFERING HERSELF. WHAT SHE REALLY NEEDS IS \$300,000. AND I'M GOING TO TELL YOU WHY. IT TAKES SIX MONTHS FOR INSURANCE TO KICK IN. RIGHT NOW, SHE IS OPERATING ON HER OWN BEHALF, AND TAKING BASIC BUSINESS RISK FOR KOHALA URGENT CARE TO OPERATE THE MOLOKA'I CLINIC.\r\n\r\nI KNOW THAT, BECAUSE SHE IS USING MY CAR, SO SHE CAN RUN AROUND AND STAYING AT FRIENDS' HOUSES AND DOING WHATEVER SHE CAN AND SHE IS NOT GETTING PAID. SO THERE ARE ENTITIES THAT WANT TO PAY HER, BUT WITH THAT PRIVATE FUNDING COMES ALL KINDS OF DIFFERENT RESTRICTIONS, AND REQUIREMENTS THAT I DON'T KNOW IF IT BENEFITS OUR COMMUNITY? SO IF THE COUNTY CAN HELP TO SUPPLEMENT THESE, SO THAT SHE CAN GIVE OUR COMMUNITY THE BEST CARE AS A RURAL PHYSICIAN HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL, WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS ON PRIVATE FUNDING AND THINGS THAT SHE HAS TO IMPLEMENT JUST BECAUSE THE FUNDING REQUIRES IT. THAT WOULD BE SO AWESOME. MAHALO FOR YOUR TIME AND YOUR CONSIDERATION. >> QUESTIONS, MEMBERS? THANK YOU VERY MUCH.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU ZHANTELL. NEXT. >> CHAIR, THE LAST TESTIFIER CURRENTLY SIGNED UP IS THOMAS CROLY, TESTIFYING ON BILL 22. >> ALOHA, CHAIR. THOMAS CROLY, TESTIFYING ON MY OWN BEHALF. I'M CHIMING IN WITH THE WATER RATES AND PROMPTED BY THE GUY FROM SOUTH POINT THAT I REMEMBER FROM YEARS AGO, TRYING TO MAKE THIS POINT. I DON'T THINK HE MADE THE POINT AS CLEARLY AS HE NEEDED TO. THAT IS WHY I'M CHIMING IN HERE.\r\n\r\nOF COURSE, WE ALL KNOW THE WATER DEPARTMENT HAS TO MAKE IT WORK ON THE MONEY THAT THEY COLLECT FROM FEES. THEY CAN'T GO INTO THE GENERAL BUDGET. SO YOU GUYS WERE FORCED TO RAISE RATES, BECAUSE WATER DIRECTOR SAID HEY, WE NEED MORE MONEY TO MAKE THIS WORK. AND I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THE INCREASE IN EACH OF THE TIERS THAT YOU PUT IN PLACE. THE NET/NET FOR ME IS IT'S GOING TO RESULT IN ME HAVING A WATER BILL THAT INCREASES ON A MONTHLY BASIS BY ABOUT AN EXTRA \$65 AND I WILL HAVE TO PAY \$750 MORE A YEAR FOR MY WATER, BECAUSE OF THESE INCREASES THAN I WOULD PREVIOUSLY. AND I'M NOT COMPLAINING ABOUT THAT. THAT IS NOT REALLY THE SOURCE OF MY TESTIMONY, BUT I WANTED YOU TO UNDERSTAND THAT.\r\n\r\nTHE GUY WHO CAME UP, AND WAS TALKING ABOUT UNITS THAT ARE NOW FALLING INTO THIS ALL OTHER CATEGORY, THEY ARE LOSING THE LOWER RATE THAT IS CHARGED IN THE FIRST TWO TIERS. THE FIRST FIVE THOUSAND GALLONS AND THE SECOND 10,000 GALLONS. THE NET/NET OF THAT IS THAT THEIR BILLS ARE JUST BASED ON THAT CHANGE IN POLICY. THEIR BILLS WILL GO UP BY \$42 PER MONTH. SO ANYONE WHO FALLS INTO THAT CATEGORY OF "ALL OTHER" IS GOING TO SEE A \$500 INCREASE PLUS THE ADDITIONAL INCREASE IN THE WATER RATES, OKAY? SO JUST TO UNDERSTAND THAT. NOW WHAT THE POINT HE WAS MAKING WAS THAT THIS AFFECTS IN MANY CASES PEOPLE WHO ARE RESIDENTS, PEOPLE WHO ARE LIVING IN APARTMENTS OF SOME TYPE OR ANOTHER, WHERE THEY DON'T HAVE INDIVIDUAL WATER METERS AND THE EXTRA \$500 AS A GROUP AND THE EXTRA WATER RATES TOTAL IS GOING TO HIT SOME OF THOSE GUYS HARD.\r\n\r\nIT'S ALSO GOING TO HIT HARD ANY OF THE OTHER

FOLKS WHO FALL INTO THAT CATEGORY; THAT THEY ARE GOING TO PAY AN EXTRA \$500 A YEAR, PLUS THE EXTRA PER WATER. ASSUMING THAT THEY USE AT LEAST 15,000 GALLONS PER MONTH. IF THEY USE LESS THAN THAT, THEN THE HIT MIGHT BE NOT QUITE AS MUCH. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THE COUNCIL UNDERSTOOD THE NET EFFECTS OF THESE WATER RATE CHANGES AND STRUCTURE, BECAUSE THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN THE NEWSPAPER THAT SAID THE AVERAGE PERSON'S BILL WILL GO UP BY \$6. THAT IS NOT EVEN CLOSE TO TRUE. I VERY MUCH APPRECIATE THAT YOU RECOGNIZE THAT THERE ARE SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES, LIKE MINE, THAT DON'T HAVE A FIVE" WATER METER AND I HAVE GONE TO THE EXTENT OF PAYING FOR 3/4 INCH WATER METER AND STILL A RESIDENTIAL WATER USER AND YOU HAVE MADE ME TO THE "ALL OTHER "CATEGORY. THANK YOU FOR THE ABILITY TO GIVE YOU MORE INSIGHT ON THE CHANGES IN THE WATER RATES. THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nANY QUESTIONS? I DON'T SEE ANY HANDS. >> I'M GLAD EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS IT. >> THE NEXT TESTIFIER, WHO IS CURRENTLY LAST, IS TESTIFYING ON BILL 22. I FEEL AS WATER RATES SHOULD BE VERY HIGH FOR THE REALLY BIG RESORTS, LIKE GRAND WAILEA, AND KA'ANAPALI. I SEE THERE'S \$8.5 MILLION OR SOMETHING IN THE, BUDGET FOR THE KA'ANAPALI . I THINK THE WAY THE OTHER TESTIFIERS THAT AREN'T THAT SUPER SUPER EXPENSIVE HOTELS, AND THE RESIDENTS, ESPECIALLY THE FARMERS, BECAUSE WE ARE COMPETING AGAINST MAUI PONO, AND THEY HAVE A WAY DEEPER WATER COST THAN THE COUNTY AG WATER. SO ALL THE OTHER USERS COULD HAVE A SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER WATER RATE IS WAY TO FUND THAT WOULD BE TAXING -- I MEAN, CHARGING THE WATER RATES FOR BIG HOTELS THAT ARE MAKING HUGE AMOUNTS MONEY AND WASTING HUGE AMOUNTS OF WATER TO PAY A SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER AMOUNT. IT'S SIMILAR TO PROPERTY TAXES.\r\n\r\nAS THE PERCENTAGE THAT THESE TRILLION-DOLLAR FIRMS, LIKE BLACK ROCK PAY FOR THEIR WATER BILLS, COMPARED TO THE PERCENTAGE OF OUR LOCAL FARMERS PAY ON OUR WATER BILL AND OUR PROPERTY TAXES IS HUGE DISPARITY, AND KIND OF WHAT I THINK THEY CALL A REGRESSIVE TAX ON THE POOR, AND ELDERLY. SO MAHALO. HAVE A GREAT DAY, AND I REALLY APPRECIATE EVERYTHING THAT YOU DO. >> THANK YOU. MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? NO QUESTIONS. THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nNEXT. >> CHAIR, THERE ARE NO FURTHER TESTIFIERS SIGNED UP AT THIS TIME. IF THERE'S ANYONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY, YOU CAN EITHER UNMUTE, IF YOU ARE ONLINE, OR IF YOU ARE IN THE CHAMBERS, YOU CAN INDICATE TO US THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY. THIS IS THE LAST CALL FOR TESTIMONY AT THIS TIME. COUNTDOWN IS 3, 2, 1. CHAIR, THERE ARE NO FURTHER TESTIFIERS AT THIS TIME. >> MEMBERS, ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS TO CLOSING PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND ACCEPTING WRITTEN TESTIMONY? >> NO OBJECTIONS.\r\n\r\n>> SO ORDERED. MS. CLERK.