

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
Council of the County of Maui

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Council Chamber

CONVENE: 9:04 a.m.

PRESENT: Councilmember Riki Hokama, Chair
Councilmember Mike White, Vice-Chair (in 9:18 a.m.)
Councilmember Gladys C. Baisa, Member
Councilmember Robert Carroll, Member
Councilmember Don Couch, Member
Councilmember Stacy Crivello, Member
Councilmember Don S. Guzman, Member (in 9:07 a.m.; out 10:47 a.m.)
Councilmember Michael P. Victorino, Member

EXCUSED: VOTING MEMBERS:
Councilmember Elle Cochran, Member

STAFF: Michele Yoshimura, Legislative Analyst
Traci Fujita, Legislative Analyst
Yvette Bouthillier, Committee Secretary

Ella Alcon, Council Aide, Molokai Council Office (via telephone conference bridge)
Denise Fernandez, Council Aide, Lanai Council Office (via telephone conference bridge)
Dawn Lono, Council Aide, Hana Council Office (via telephone conference bridge)

ADMIN.: Sananda Baz, Budget Director, Office of the Mayor
Andrew Martin, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney (BF-103)
Ashley Tang, Account Clerk III, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney (BF-103)
Donald Medeiros, Director, Department of Transportation (BF-121(3))
Butch K. Buenconsejo, Director, Department of Parks and Recreation (BF-121(2))
Rowena Dagdag-Andaya, Deputy Director, Department of Public Works (BF-108)
Cary Yamashita, Engineering Program Manager, Department of Public Works (BF-108)
Marci Sato, Budget Specialist V, Budget Office, Office of the Mayor (BF-109)
Alan Arakawa, Mayor (BF-95)
Jeffrey T. Ueoka, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Department of the Corporation Counsel

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CHAIR HOKAMA: . . .*(gavel)*. . . The Council's Committee on Budget and Finance shall come to order. This is our regular meeting of 4 October 2016. Is this sound system different? We sound different today.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: We sound loud.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Loud.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Present, we have Committee members, Mr. Carroll.

COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL: Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Good morning, sir. Ms. Baisa.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Good morning. Mr. Couch.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Aloha. Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Crivello.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Aloha and good morning, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: And Mr. Victorino.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Good morning and aloha, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: The Chair excuses Ms. Cochran, Mr. White, and Mr. Guzman. Members, we have a busy agenda. But your Chair will go through it as efficiently as possible. Before we take public testimony, and according to the rules of this Committee, each person has an opportunity to speak on any agenda item with a maximum of three minutes only. This Committee does not give you an extra minute to conclude. If you have written testimony, we ask that you submit it. State your name, the item you are speaking on, and we'll assist with any time requirements. Once you see the red light at the podium, you shall stop. This is not a request, it is a requirement. Chair will enforce decorum at all times. So any noisemaking devices, including the Members and the Chair, shall be either on off mode or on vibrating. I will not allow any disturbance of this meeting. Therefore, we shall ask first, from our District Offices, Ms. Lono, good morning. Is there anyone in East Maui, Hana that would like to share testimony on today's agenda please?

MS. LONO: Good morning, Chair. This is Dawn Lono in Hana and there's no one waiting to testify.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Ms. Lono. On Lanai, Ms. Fernandez, anyone wishing to provide testimony?

MS. FERNANDEZ: Good morning, Chair. This is Denise Fernandez on Lanai and there is no one waiting to testify.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. On Molokai, Ms. Alcon, anyone wishing to provide testimony?

MR. ALCON: Good morning, Chair. This is Ella Alcon on Molokai and there is no one here waiting to testify.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you very much. I'll ask our Committee Staff is there any request for public testimony in the Chambers? Members, since we have no request for testimony, your Chair, with no objections, shall close testimony for today's meeting.

COUNCILMEMBERS: No objections.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Members. So ordered.

**ITEM 103: AMENDING FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET:
DEPARTMENT OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
(SPECIAL NEEDS ADVOCACY PROGRAM) (CC 16-197)**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Members, let me direct you to BF-103, the first item before us. This is from Mr. Baz. Communication 16-197, who is transmitting through us a proposed grant bill to amend Appendix A of the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget. One, by increasing the grant for the SNAP program, a Special Needs Advocacy Program by \$692,175; and increasing the Limited Term Appointment, or LTA equivalent personnel to 10.0. Further correspondence dated September 15th, from Mr. Baz Budget Office, transmitting a revised proposed bill entitled A Bill For An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget for the County of Maui as it Pertains to Appendix A, Part I, Grant Revenue – Schedule of Grants by Departments and Programs, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney (Special Needs Advocacy Program). In this revised bill Mr. Baz is sending us, under his first point, he's asking to increase the grant for Department of Prosecuting Attorney by \$403,566 [sic] and no increase to the LTA equivalent personnel. We have received some correspondence from the Department. Staff has handed this out for your information purposes. And I will ask the Budget Director, Mr. Baz, if he has any comments to share with the Committee at this time.

MR. BAZ: Good morning, Mr. Chair. Yeah. I think they turned on the reverb for the karaoke when they had it over here.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

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MR. BAZ: Made you laugh this morning. Okay. Good. Thank you, Mr. Chair. I understand the...so we're here this morning to amend the Appendix A for grant revenue for the Department of Prosecuting Attorney regarding the Special Needs Assistance [sic] Program. And thank you for reading. We sent an original bill that had an increase...basically, what happened was the Department of Prosecuting Attorney received a supplemental award for the SNAP program of \$692,000. And we had an original amount of around 600,000 in that program. Subsequent to receiving the supplemental award, they received their regular award announcement and it was less than the 600,000 they were expecting. It only was about...it's on Friday's agenda for referral. A total of 300...about \$390,000, but only 311,000 of that's Federal monies, that we're recognizing the rest of it as matching funds that we provide. So, yeah. So there was a little bit of confusion. We cleared that up and the total amount that they are gonna be receiving as grants for this program is a little over a million dollars. And they're only gonna be funding those...this original six E/Ps still yet with that million dollars. So, we do have Mr. Andrew Martin, our Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for the SNAP program. He can describe a little bit about the program and we can answer questions for you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Baz. Good morning, Mr. Martin. Thank you for your presence. Do you have any comments you wish to share with the Committee at this time?

MR. MARTIN: Yes. Good morning, Mr. Chair and Members of the Committee. The...again, my name's Andrew Martin. I am the supervising Deputy in charge of the Circuit Court Division over at the Prosecutor's Office. As Mr. Baz said, our SNAP grants Special Advocacy Program Grants, we have, so it's clear, two separate grants involved here. The first is the, what we refer to as our SNAP annual grant which is a grant that include Federal monies to our Department in the amount of \$311,800 which funds positions within our Victim Witness Division, to provide services for victim witness services, notification to sex assault victims, domestic violence victims, and homicide...families of homicide victims. Congress released additional funds which me...we were made aware of prior to the 2015-'16 Fiscal Year to the states. We were notified by the State Administrator for the State of Hawaii. The Attorney General's Office, a request for proposal was sent out. We submitted an application and received funds for the supplemental SNAP grant in the amount of \$692,175. Those are the Federal funds which are being provided to our Department. Those funds will be utilized under our application to the State to provide for three limited term appointments within our office, for Victim Witness Counselors. To provider victim notification, and victim witness services to sex assault victims, domestic violence victims, as well as property crime victims, which is currently an underserved part of our victim services. Simply because we don't have the staff to provide services to every single property victim currently. But that, of course, will change with the limited term appointments. We are also providing funds to two sub-grantees, Child and Family Service and Women Helping Women who will provide services to our outer regions, all underserved communities with respect to victim services and will provide those communities with services that we cannot provide. Women Helping Women obviously provides shelter and emergency services to victims of domestic violence. Child and

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Family Services provide therapy and counseling services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Those services through the SNAP supplemental grant will be focused on the regions of Hana, Lanai, and Molokai. And will greatly increase our ability to serve those communities with victim witness services from our offices as well as therapy, counseling, crisis hotline, and emergency services to victims in those communities. The Department had, as Mr. Baz indicated, in our previous budgets, simply mistakenly requested an allocation of funds for the supplemental grant based on a year-by-year allocation. But the Budget Office, when the grant award and contract did come into our office and was sent to Budget for review, did indicate to us and notify us immediately, that we did need to request the amendment for the entire amount of the award. The \$692,175, to be included along with the \$311,800 for the annual SNAP grant, to be included in the Budget. And that is what we are requesting today.

CHAIR HOKAMA: So you're requesting 692 plus the 311?

MR. MARTIN: Correct. The 311,800 was...is a part of our annual SNAP grant. The 692,175 is the supplemental SNAP grant. The total of those two Federal awards is, as Mr. Baz said, just over a million dollars.

CHAIR HOKAMA: So tell us now about the revised bill where the amount is now only \$403,568.

MR. MARTIN: It's simply...well, it's simply the...as I said we had budgeted for the SNAP supplemental grant on an annual basis. So, there was already some monies budgeted for, it just wasn't the right amount and in the right procedure basically. So...

CHAIR HOKAMA: When you say budgeted, Mr. Martin, you're talking about your own internal Department's budget? Or are you talking about the Budget as it pertains to the County?

MR. MARTIN: No I'm talking about the ordinance, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

MR. MARTIN: Yes. So the increase simply represents the appropriate amount, which is the \$692,175. So it...because some monies were already appropriated, although on the incorrect amount, the increase over what we had requested is the \$400,000 number, that you're referring to.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Are you aware of this communication received from your Department regarding the SNAP program? It's a breakdown of the grant years. And, Members, if you look at it, it goes back to Fiscal Year '13, '14, '15. For the County of Maui we've closed the books on those years. Okay?

MR. MARTIN: Yes, I have a copy of the communication, Mr. Chair.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. So, when we look at and, Members, you know, we've passed this out for your information so we can have a good understanding. At the bottom on the right column after all of the ordinances, the grant numbers, amended requests, and then you have the however column. And then the bottom column, request, no need to amend. So why are we here, Mr. Martin?

MR. MARTIN: So, Mr. Chair, I think that's essentially a misunderstanding on the part on our Department in exactly how the award of this supplemental grant needs to be budgeted for. And, you know, to be honest, our Administrative Officer, who originally put together these budgets in anticipation of the supplemental SNAP grant retired last year. So we don't have her to rely on anymore. But, you know, Mr. Baz's Department has really educated us on what needed to be done in order to correct the issue. But it was our understanding, I believe, at the time that this communication was written that because the annual funds, if you look at the supplemental grant on a three-year basis, that the annual funds had been included in the budget. I think this thought, in my office, mistakenly, was that we could simply leave the ordinance as it was. But that was a mistake on our part. What we need to do, and we understand after being advised by Mr. Baz's Office, is to include the entire amount of the award in the ordinance. And so that was, I believe this communication was prepared before our full understanding of what needed to be done. I think that's a fair explanation, sir.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Baz, any comments you'd like to share?

MR. BAZ: No, Mr. Chair, I think Mr. Martin provided a very good explanation. But basically, you know, when an award comes in for a grant, we look at what that agreement amount is. And we recognize that agreement doesn't really depend on the project period time. 'Cause since it's grant revenue, it's restricted by the grantor not by our Budget ordinances. So what we do is restrict it to recognition and it has to be in our Budget Ordinance to recognize that amount. So that's why we are recognizing the full amount that they're receiving of that award for this...and the project period is from, as it mentions on there, October 1 of 2015 to June 30 of 2018. Even...but it's one award.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. So the Committee has...first we recognize the presence of Mr. White this morning.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Good morning. As well as Mr. Guzman.

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you for your presence, gentlemen. So, Mr. Baz, what is the number before this Committee this morning?

MR. BAZ: So the second transmittal is to increase the Appendix A for SNAP from \$601,432 to \$1,005,000. And...so that's the additional \$400,000 that you mentioned, in the request. And that's basically, as Mr. Martin mentioned, the difference between

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the...what we actually received in the original grant, annual grant they call it, and the supplemental grant. So that's the total, so what they are gonna be recognizing for this fiscal year is that 1,005,000.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Mr. Carroll, any questions you would like to ask regarding this request? Thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yes. I have a question, but before I get to it, I just want to make sure, this is so funny when I saw the SNAP grant. SNAP grant is more commonly known as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, which is food stamps. So, it's kind of funny, you know, the fit here. So we better be a little careful about acronyms because we're not talking about food stamps, but anyway. What I was interested in about Mr. Martin said was, you mentioned that you might be able to provide more assistance to people who have property crimes. What kind of assistance do you provide now?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Martin?

MR. MARTIN: Well, currently we provide, with respect to our Victim Witness Division, we provide services to victims of property crime on a case-by-case as-needed basis, which is determined by the Deputy handling the case. So the Deputy themselves, the Deputy Prosecutor is always in touch, and in contact with victims of property crime. To the extent that a victim of property crime needs additional services or referrals from our Victim Witness Division to include...up to and including notification of court proceedings. And it is something that the Deputy, for whatever reason, believes is beyond his or her ability and requires the assignment of a Victim Witness Counselor. Then a Victim Witness Counselor will be assigned. Of course in a perfect world, we'd like to have enough staffing and resources to be able to provide a Victim Witness Counselor for notification to every single crime case. But right now some of those duties are following on...are falling on the Deputies, simply because our volume of violent crimes, persons crimes, specifically sexual assault, domestic violence, homicides, are taking up quite a bit of our resources. So by adding one of the...by adding the limited term appointments we'll be able to staff more Victim Witness Counselors to assist with property crimes.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Thank you, Counselor. I know that you know, this is your business so you're very familiar with what you do but let's take the average person like me, if I was a victim of a property crime, and can you give us an example? Like somebody stole my car.

MR. MARTIN: Sure. Sure. In terms of property crimes, in terms of what types of crimes we're talking about? Okay. So burglaries, thefts, what we call unauthorized control propelled vehicles, typically stolen cars. Those are your basic property crimes.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: And so how do you help them?

MR. MARTIN: Well, certainly by prosecuting the cases --

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COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: I see.

MR. MARTIN: --those individuals responsible for the crime itself. But as well as through our prosecution of the crime, should there be any restitution owed to the victim for damages or lost property we'll certainly seek that out either as part of a plea bargain or a sentencing after trial. And our Victim Witness Counselors, you know, assist in also notifying our victims of court proceedings so that they're up to date and aware of where their case is in the system. And as well as coordinating with them pending sentencing in order to get information so that we make sure that we recommend to the court that the court is ordering the appropriate amount of restitution owed to that victim.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Thank you very much. You know, many of us, like myself, are not familiar at all with court proceedings and we try to stay away from them. So it's good to understand what these grants are about. Thank you.

MR. MARTIN: You're welcome.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No questions.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Crivello?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: No questions at this time, thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. White?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: No question, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Guzman?

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Thank you, Chair. Mr. Martin, good seeing you. Just wanted...following up with Member Baisa, are you guys still, as part of the Victim Witness Program for property crimes, there's a certain amount that a victim can apply for, that could be reimbursed. Or there's an amount, I recall, that they could...I guess the Victim Witness Counselor can apply to some Federal grant or something like that for some type of supplemental monies that could be given to the victim. Is that still in the process?

MR. MARTIN: Yes, there's State funds available --

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Okay.

MR. MARTIN: --that we provide the forms to every victim in order to apply basically for restitution up to a specific amount pending resolution of the case. If...there's a State

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agency that approves those applications. We assist the victims with filling out those applications and submitting them. Once the case is resolved and restitution is ordered, then that State agency gets paid back from the restitution ordered.

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Very good.

MR. MARTIN: And the remaining going to the victim.

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: So this position that would be added to support the victim, the victims in criminal property crimes, would assist in those filling out of those --

MR. MARTIN: Absolutely.

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: -- forms for those monies.

MR. MARTIN: Absolutely. That --

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Okay.

MR. MARTIN: --would go...that's one of the responsibilities of the counselors, yes.

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Very good. And then also for the supplemental grants regarding the Women Helping Women and the Child Family Services, is that just monies appropriated to them or are those positions within the victim witness that will be working with them? How is that...

MR. MARTIN: No they...so the way it's set up and this is the way the Administrator, the Attorney General's Office has it set up, right now we're simply following their model. Is that the CFS in Women Helping Women will basically be sub-grantees of the Department. So --

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: I see.

MR. MARTIN: --the Department will provide them with the funds on an annual basis. In order for them to provide staff for therapy, counseling, emergency services --

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Okay.

MR. MARTIN: --and so forth.

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: I get that. And then what are those amounts? Is that indicated in here?

MR. MARTIN: Well, it's a part of the \$692,175, I believe, I'm going off of memory here on an annual basis. So it would be \$34,111 to each agency.

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

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MR. MARTIN: On an annual basis.

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: For each?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Okay. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Thank you, Chair. And my only question is, when I look at the appropriation for FY '16, I notice a first year return of \$167,096. And subsequently I see other figures from second year return. And then there's however minus the match and each grant matches funds already budgeted, that figure changes from a 132 to 95. But my question is why are we returning money? If that's what this means. First year return sounds like you're returning some money. And I'm one of those that if we get it, we better use it, not give it back. But anyhow that's my question.

MR. MARTIN: Yeah. We're not actually returning money. The complication that arose with the SNAP grant actually had nothing to do with our Department. We received the award and contract for the three-year award in July of 2016 after the close of the fiscal year for 2015-'16. So we're not actually returning any money, we simply won't be spending down on that year.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: So what happens to that money if you're not returning it and you're not spending it down, then what's occurring?

MR. MARTIN: The effect is that the money goes back to the Administrator, the Attorney General's Office, to further distribute to other grantees. But there would be no way for us to spend that money under the award, simply because, you know, for whatever reason, the Attorney General's Office wasn't able to get us the contract in a timely manner that would have allowed us to fulfill our budgetary obligations for that particular year under the contract and under the award.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: So I've heard...if I've heard you correctly, this money is actually 2013, '14, and '15 that came in at one time? Or was it just 2013 coming in and 2016?

MR. MARTIN: No. So the 2013 and '14 monies that you see referenced --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yes.

MR. MARTIN: --on the table are separate grants from the supplemental grant. Those are what I would refer to as the annual SNAP grant.

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COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay.

MR. MARTIN: Those are separate monies. The monies that I'm referring to are the supplemental grant which is, I believe, referenced in this communication as the 15-VA-GX-0035.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay. The \$167,096?

MR. MARTIN: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Which is identical to what we're returning.

MR. MARTIN: Well, as I said no money will be returned, it's simply that that first year budget won't be spent down by our Department because it's unable for us to spend down the money for a fiscal year that's already closed.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: In layman terms, and I'm not trying to get --

MR. MARTIN: No, no, no.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: --you know, I've learned when I work around attorney's I gotta get to layman terms, no offense to my colleague next to me. You're not going to spend it down and you return it to the Attorney General's Office?

MR. MARTIN: That's correct.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: So you return the money? The bottom line, in my mind is you returning something that we got but we cannot spend down, right?

MR. MARTIN: I think that's a...in layman terms, yes it's a --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay.

MR. MARTIN: --fair way to think about it.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay. And that's all I was trying to get to. I'm not blaming anyone, I'm not trying to, you know, make anybody look bad. But, we got money that we couldn't spend down, understood. Whatever the circumstances. Contracts are late, sometimes the County is guilty of that also. So I'm good with that. Just that I know those two years and what is the challenge for the next year? Is the same thing? The 2...the 96...95,247 which is second year return. You know, so is that similar problem, not being able to spend down? That's at the very bottom of the page. I'm looking at this sheet, by the way, just to make sure.

MR. MARTIN: You know, Mr. Victorino, unfortunately I'm not able to speak to that. I didn't prepare this document. I'm not sure what's being referred to --

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COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay.

MR. MARTIN: --there.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Mr. Chair, I'd like to request, you know, we get specific answers on why this occurred. I mean if there's a good reason, then I'm fine with it but I...you know, again, I want to make sure that we're doing our due diligence when we receive the money being able to spend down what we receive. I mean there's lots of programs that are desperately in need of money. So we know that. So let's make sure that we're prepared. And I don't...I'm not trying to blame anyone for not doing their job. But if there's a methodology of doing a better job, then let's bring it forward and see what we can do to help you. But anyhow, Mr. Chair, I would like to request that please.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Victorino. So noted by Staff. I would like to ask Mr. Baz if he has some comments that can maybe help in the clarification of this situations we are with this request. Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: Yeah. Thank you, Mr. Chair. So it's kind of hard to explain, as Mr. Martin here has been trying. The grant application included monies for fiscal...County Fiscal Year '16, '17, '18. Right? It was one grant application that was for that...those period of time. The State did not get us the grant award until after Fiscal Year '16 was closed. So even though we had applied for Fiscal Year '16 monies and were awarded Fiscal Year '16 monies, we can spend it because it's after Fiscal Year '16 is closed.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay.

MR. BAZ: The...it was my choice to include the full amount of the grant award because I'm hoping that they can request, to the Administrator, to maybe reprogram those monies that they weren't able to spend, for these future years and make it allowable for them to expend it. And that's kind of the gist of where we're at right now.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay. I got you and I thank you very much for...that makes it a little clearer in my mind and in the public's mind. But the second year, what is the challenge with the second year and maybe where I want to find out because isn't the second year 2017? Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: I...maybe the Staff might be able to answer if you want to get a real clear picture of why they put that on there. The person who --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Actually did it.

MR. BAZ: --actually did this. Oh, Ashley, you can go to the other podium right there. And...

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: And I'm sorry, Mr. Chair. I like clarification. If we can get the clarification now then maybe I won't need that request.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: No I think it's very important if Ms. Tang can assist us with some clarification. Because if we are not ready, we are not going to move this out of Committee.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Good, will you please yourself please?

MS. TANG: Hi, I'm Ashley Tang, I'm the Account Clerk for the Prosecutor's Office. And this, the chart one. This one was prepared prior to the first hearing where we under...could further understand the process on how to do the Budget amendment. So when you look at this, as far as the second year, the loss right now is that the salaries, the grant is strictly salaries and fringe. There's some equipment and...like computers, 'cause we need new computers and desks for the new positions. But the second year right now, we don't have salary...employees to fill. So the loss, we're hoping that the Attorney General's Office would reallocate the funds to say supplies or we have to do a budget modification with the Attorney's...Attorney General's Office. And so this form isn't as accurate as the other side.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay. Okay, Ms. Tang.

MS. TANG: But does that answer?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Well, I think I've got a better understanding and I think the public has a better understanding of what's occurring. So this 95,000 is really positions that are not filled within your Department for the administration of this program.

MS. TANG: For the year two, correct.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: For this present fiscal year?

MS. TANG: For this present fiscal year.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: The '16-'17 Fiscal Year.

MS. TANG: Correct.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay. And so with that being said, you're hoping that the Attorney General's Office will reallocate it for supplies and other needs and not take it away from us?

MS. TANG: Correct.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay. But the 167,000 that already, because it was the last fiscal year, too late, we cannot reallocate?

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MS. TANG: Well, because it's a three-year grant --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yeah?

MS. TANG: --there's nothing set in stone.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Oh, okay.

MS. TANG: So we cannot for sure say that. You know, that in the end of the three years if, say every County has a surplus of funds, within the last quarter, I mean they might say hey, we have funds, can you submit a request for how we could possibly spend down these funds? They may allow us...I mean it's nothing set so we didn't want to count on it. Right now, we're considering it, returning it. And when we say return, we just...that's just a phrase, but we haven't actually gotten any funds. So we just don't request a drawdown on it, so.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: It's like you have a figure in front of you, and this money you're gonna get, but if you don't spend it, you take it off, and then you get this is the actually money you'll get for that program.

CHAIR HOKAMA: It's a reimbursable, Mr. Victorino.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yeah.

CHAIR HOKAMA: So until they expend they don't get reimbursed.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: But...

CHAIR HOKAMA: That's the issue yeah?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yeah. But the other side, they don't even know what they gonna get till after the fact.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Well --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: I think I see the problem.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --not to defend the Department, but the Department, I will tell you, has no control when Department of Attorney General's State of Hawaii --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Release the money.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --releases or moves the money forward.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Understood.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: And so it puts them in a difficult situation not knowing when the grant is truly available.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yeah. And so...

CHAIR HOKAMA: As you will notice, the Department has asked Mr. White for this Friday's Council meeting regarding a grant award notification --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Right.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --which under the Chair's eyes, is still unofficial so I won't even recognize that letter until Friday's meeting.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Right. Okay.

CHAIR HOKAMA: But it's part of the problem of the Department. Because the Attorney General has no clue that by Charter, we are required to work within our own fiscal year, same as the State, July 1 to June 30th.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: And I think and if I'm correct...

CHAIR HOKAMA: So one question I'm gonna --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Chair?

CHAIR HOKAMA: --ask that I think that we need to hear, since this is a three year thing, and I'm heard Ms. Tang, Mr. Martin mention about the agreement, is this more like an intergovernmental agreement than one grant because we have contractual requirements to abide by?

MR. MARTIN: It's a grant agreement is what I'm referring to. When I say agreement I'm talking about the grant agreement itself.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay. So, Chair?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah. 'Cause we need to be clear yeah?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yeah.

CHAIR HOKAMA: 'Cause if not I'm gonna say I don't remember passing an IGA --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --for the County.

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COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Chair, one final question. One final --

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: --statement I'll make that...so that the public understands that...

CHAIR HOKAMA: Before that, is there further need for Ms. Tang, Members?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No. I think I've asked Ms. Tang all the questions I need.

MS. TANG: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah. Thank you, Ms. Tang.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Real quickly and just so that the public understands that, you know, we get these grants and the Attorney General's Office is the one that awards us this grants but also if I'm correct and if I'm wrong, you correct me, Mr. Chair, 'cause you understand the system better than I do. It still falls back to the budget...Department of Budget at the State that releases the money. I mean you can...no, not in this case? I'm asking because I know that's one of the bugaboos we have in a lot of other issues. Is we get grants and until the Governor and the Budget Office releases it, you don't get the money.

CHAIR HOKAMA: And again, yeah, maybe, mister...I'll ask Mr. Baz if he has comment. But that would be normally under State funds and State grants.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Right.

CHAIR HOKAMA: This is not State money. This is Federal money.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Pass-through money.

CHAIR HOKAMA: And the channeling and how it proceeds from the Feds, normally the State will take their 5 percent administrative fee or whatever it be --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yeah.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --that was the percentage now for just passing money through. And then we get the balances. So, Mr. Baz, you've heard the concern of Mr. Victorino, is that an accurate understanding for the Committee or can you provide some further clarity?

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MR. BAZ: Yes, Mr. Chair, from my understanding that is accurate. Since this is Federal monies, it's not controlled by the Department of Budget and Finance, other than, similar to us, that they notify the...of the award and how they're gonna process it.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: So pass through money then we...okay.

MR. BAZ: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Thank you.

MR. BAZ: But if it's a State grant in aide where it's State monies --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yes.

MR. BAZ: --coming to the Counties, it depends on the Governor's release.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Right.

MR. BAZ: And yeah, we know that that's hit and miss. Yeah. We're going to do another similar thing with the Fed aide projects here coming shortly so, Mr. Chair, we can move on.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Members, any further questions on this request?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Sorry I ask too many questions.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Before the Chair makes his recommendation on this item, there's a few things I'll share with the Members as well as Mr. Baz. Maybe for the next term, when the new Council comes into office, we may want to consider a meeting with you and your appropriate departmental people, Mr. Baz, to go through some of the requirements this Committee and the...it's this Committee's Staff looks for as part of a thorough and complete transmittal. It irritates me when the Committee Staff and I have to go through and do what I feel is departmental work. And then have the bill sent back for further appropriate revisions prior to even posting. Wastes a lot of time and my Staff's ability to perform other requirements on behalf of the Members. Therefore I am offering this as an opportunity for you to consider that maybe it might be helpful to deal with departmental account people in their preparation for their own specific departmental needs during the budget year for adjustments. And that when it is submitted it is ready for posting and consideration and action by the Committee. I think that would also assist you without going through the bureaucratic transmittal requirements of going between us and you, to have the departments do, or have you do the revisions for the department. So I just ask...share that as maybe one way of improving how we handle future items as in the spirit of cooperation.

MR. BAZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. We look forward to that.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you. Okay with this item, I will ask you to consider to pass on first reading be order to print the revised proposed bill, Members, which is under number two of BF-103. And this is now under the revision, the proposed bill will amend Appendix A of the current 2017 Budget increasing Department of Prosecuting Attorney's under Special Needs Advocacy Program by \$403,566 [sic]. And no increase to the LTA equivalent position. And filing of any appropriate communications; and allowing Staff to make nonsubstantive changes for form and approval format.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: So move, Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Second, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: I have a motion made by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Victorino. Members, any discussion on the motion before you? Having none, all in favor, please say "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Opposed say "no." Motion passes with eight "ayes," one excused, Ms. Cochran.

VOTE: AYES: Chair Hokama, Vice-Chair White, and Councilmembers Baisa, Carroll, Couch, Crivello, Guzman, and Victorino.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

EXC.: Councilmember Cochran.

MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION: FIRST READING of revised bill; and FILING of communication by C.R.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Martin, we appreciate your time, and thank you for being here, Ms. Tang. We know you're having a difficult...in a difficult position so thank you, and we look forward to your future work with us.

ITEM 121(3): AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFERS RELATING TO CATEGORIES OF USE BUT WITHIN A PROGRAM OR

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DEPARTMENT (DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION)
(CC 16-110)

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay we're gonna bring up BF-121(3). Another love letter from Mr. Baz. Dated September 9, 2016. This is a proposed resolution, Members. Okay. A resolution authorizing the transfer of an unencumbered appropriation balance within the Department of Transportation, Fiscal Year 2017 Budget. Whereby the Department is asking to transfer 45,341 from Admin Highway Fund, Category B to Admin Highway Fund, Category C for equipment. Mr. Baz, any opening comments, sir?

MR. BAZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. And good morning again, Members. The resolution in front of is to transfer monies from their B Account to their C Account. The...if you recall during the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget deliberations discussion, this item did come up. And the understanding was that the individual items were gonna be less than a thousand dollars and so it would be in the B Account. We got the bids back and basically five of them are significantly higher because of the system and Mr. Medeiros can explain that. And then some are lower but with installation costs it make it increased. So the Department of Finance rejected the original request to contract this money out, needing a Budget amendment to...or this transfer to move the money from the B to the C Account. So, that's what we're here for this morning. And we have our Director of Transportation, Mr. Don Medeiros here. He can maybe explain a little bit and answer any questions.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Director Medeiros, good morning.

MR. MEDEIROS: Good morning.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Any comments you'd like to share with us please?

MR. MEDEIROS: Yeah. Just to help you understand, the entire Maui Bus fleet is outfitted with security video systems in them. Largely for safety and for our liability concerns. We're needing to replace five of the video systems in five of the buses because the manufacturer is no longer supporting 'em. They're...they've turned their attention to school buses and not to transit. So to try to keep these systems up and running to the degree that we need them to, we've had a difficult time. So we're just replacing them totally which is requiring us to rewire the buses, remove the old ones, rewire the buses and put 'em all in. Additionally we've, over the years, we've seen that there's a gap in the surveillance on the buses. And we're adding one more camera in each bus to fill that gap. And by doing this, with this system that we're putting in now, it's gonna standardize our fleet and make it a lot easier to supervise the operation. It is really critical, this whole video system is really critical to the operation, an efficient operation of the system. As we're able to address, you know, concerns and incidents in a real timely manner, within hours of something occurring and determine what went on and what we need to do. Had...if we had not had these in these buses, we really wouldn't know what's going on and it would be one person's word against another. And so it's really heightened our ability to manage the system and provide a sense of safety for our passengers. Thank you very much.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: First thing, Director Medeiros, we are changing vendors then also, right?

MR. MEDEIROS: That is correct.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you for that. And the new vendor will be able to give you a comprehensive overall level of service regarding your requirements?

MR. MEDEIROS: Yes, sir. What we'll do is standardize the system that we now have.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you very much. Mr. White, questions for the Director?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Thank you, Chair. With respect to the functionality of the system on each bus, does it record what's happening and you can retrieve it later? Or is this something that is transmitted from each bus to a receptor somewhere so that you actually have access...real-time access to look at each bus?

MR. MEDEIROS: Oh I wish. It's a hard drive system. And we have to physically --

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Okay, so you'd have to...

MR. MEDEIROS: --go and remove it.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Okay.

MR. MEDEIROS: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: So it's something you use only after something has --

MR. MEDEIROS: Correct.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: --taken place.

MR. MEDEIROS: Correct.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: 'Cause it seems high, the \$9,000. At least the number works out to \$9,000 per bus. Is that correct?

MR. MEDEIROS: Yes, because if, have to rewire the entire thing.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Rewire the entire...

MR. MEDEIROS: Bus. The security system has to be put in and all the wiring has to be put in. The wiring that's in there now with the current system is not compatible to this other company's system. So each bus has six, now seven cameras in it. So you have to remove and install and rewire seven cameras in each vehicle.

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VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Do you need that many cameras?

MR. MEDEIROS: Yes. I'd like a few more but it...they...you're limited by how many you put in with how much data you can capture over a period of time. Right now we can capture about two weeks of data, which is helpful.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Okay. Thank you.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: Just for clarification, the five units that he's discussing that are going to need complete rewiring, the total cost for each of those units is about \$3,900. And then the balance of that is the additional cameras for the other 23 buses.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Before I ask the next Member, so you have ability to view this live? Ongoing? Or this is only being recorded?

MR. MEDEIROS: It's just being recorded, Chair. In the future, we're looking at a system and we'll talk to you at some point about it. That we may be able to incorporate this into the system and actually view it live. And this system that we're purchasing to...that will be standardized within our buses will allow us to do it.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. No, I'm just...was curious if we had live capability because if it makes sense and we can afford it, I wouldn't have a problem with us doing a central transportation center including the ability to adjust stop lights at appropriate times of the day to continue to move traffic than stop traffic. It's something I've seen done in other jurisdictions, it costs money. I know that. Well, you asking us for money anyway so what's another million or two right? Ms. Crivello, any questions?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Thank you for being here, Director. Clarification, so we're going to install new cameras for five buses. So all of your other buses are already equipped with these cameras and it was at the same cost?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Director?

MR. MEDEIROS: Yes, the...all of the other buses are equipped with it. And what we did is when we purchased the buses, we used 80 percent Federal funding because we incorporated it in the specifications for the bus.

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COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Oh, so the...those buses came with the equipment already installed. So it's just these five buses that we have to retrofit it to be all standardized and such?

MR. MEDEIROS: Yes --

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Okay.

MR. MEDEIROS: --Councilmember.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch? Questions, sir?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Just a...to clarify again, the \$45,000 was originally in your B Account and was to be used for this same thing? So you're just transferring it because of the price limit?

MR. BAZ: Yes, the Finance Department has, you know, sets the limit to what can be considered is equipment and what be considered as operations. And so when the Department went to go contract out that, Finance required it to be in the C budget so that's why we're doing this transfer.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. And you're installing it as soon as you get this okay? Or is there a...I didn't see it in the...a notice to proceed or anything.

MR. MEDEIROS: Well as soon as we are able to have you agree with this --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. MEDEIROS: --then we can do it. The RFP has already been let and...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. Alright. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: I'm in full support of this. I think it's really important. You know, with the amount of people that we are moving around, very important to have documentation 'cause when something happens on the bus, you want a picture. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Carroll, any questions? Thank you. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No, no questions. Just support this, you know, upgrade. And I look forward to the day when you can have, like you said, Mr. Chair, essential system for which we have better control. You know I know that'll be a lot of money but I've seen how it operates in some of the other municipalities and it sure does

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Director Medeiros.

MR. MEDEIROS: Thank you, Members.

**ITEM 121(2): AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET
TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFERS RELATING TO
CATEGORIES OF USE BUT WITHIN A PROGRAM OR
DEPARTMENT (DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND
RECREATION) (CC 16-110)**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Let's go to 121-(2), Members. This is for Department of Parks and Recreation. Mr. Baz has sent us a correspondence, dated September 6, 2016, with a proposed resolution Authorizing the Transfer of an Unencumbered Appropriation Balance within the Parks and Recreation, Fiscal Year 2017 Budget. And the Department is asking to transfer 20...20,400 from Category B to Category C. And transferring 20,000 from Recs and Supports Program, Category B to Category C. Mr. Baz, any comments please.

MR. BAZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Again, this is a resolution transferring these funds between the B and C Account. The Department did have this money originally budgeted for this specific project but instead of being a repair and maintenance which they had assumed the addition of these new blocks, these starting blocks on the pools, require it to be a piece of equipment now. And so the Finance Department has rejected their request to use the B Account and require the C Account. So that's why this transfer is in front of you. This morning, we do have our Director of Parks and Recreation, Mr. Kaala Buenconsejo, to discuss exactly what these pools starting blocks are and what they're gonna be doing.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you. Director Buenconsejo, thank you for your presence. Any comments you wish to share?

MR. BUENCONSEJO: Thank you, Chair. And as Mr. Baz mentioned, again, we did have that in our operating budget, but as procedure goes, it has to be a part of our equipment budget. The starting blocks, for those who may not be familiar with it, it's where the starting for any kind of swim meets, they start on the starting block and jump in. Those blocks have not been replaced since the actual build out of the swimming pool. So, they are about 20 years old plus. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you. Mr. Guzman, any questions you wish to ask at this time?

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: No questions in regards to the starting blocks. I attended one of the meets recently and the...I had some discussions with the meet organizer and they were saying they didn't have enough room for the, I guess, organizing area or

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something like that. There's a little office next to the this swimming pool, is that being utilized at all?

MR. BUENCONSEJO: Chair? Councilmember Guzman, as far as the staging area?

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Yeah. The staging area.

MR. BUENCONSEJO: Where...yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Yes.

MR. BUENCONSEJO: So there is a...maybe a 30 by 30 staging area. But like all pools, there isn't really a clear staging area for any pools. They do...a lot of, for Kihei for example, they'll go outside on the grass lot, put up their own personal tents. For West Maui, that would probably be the similar...there is no real space. That one office that's next to that one open area --

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Right.

MR. BUENCONSEJO: --is our lifeguard office. So there's really no place else for them to go. So that is the only option that they would have currently; however, they could utilize the fields and everything else for a team. But it won't be in the...necessary, in the pool.

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Okay. Yeah. The starter blocks is important. They were --

MR. BUENCONSEJO: Yeah. For sure.

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: --mentioning that. Thank you very much, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Victorino, any questions?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No, in full support, Chair. I mean this is...some of them are as 'bout as old as some of us in this room. But I don't want to say that. But it has been long time in coming. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Carroll, any questions? Ms. Baisa, any questions?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No. No questions, thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No question.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Crivello?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: No questions at this time. Thank you.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. White?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: I'm good, thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Again, another straightforward request by the Department. And again I thank the Department and Mr. Baz for putting this request forward to us. So your Chair is recommending that this Committee move forward to Council for consideration of adoption of the proposed resolution entitled Authorizing a Transfer of an Unencumbered Appropriation Balance Within the Department of Parks and Recreation, Fiscal Year 2017 Budget; allow Staff to make any nonsubstantive changes; as well as filing of any appropriate communication.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: So move, Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Second, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. I have a motion by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Victorino. Members, any discussion? Having none, all in favor in the motion, please say "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye

CHAIR HOKAMA: Opposed say "no." Motion passes with eight "ayes," one excused.

**VOTE: AYES: Chair Hokama, Vice-Chair White, and
 Councilmembers Baisa, Carroll, Couch, Crivello,
 Guzman, and Victorino.**

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

EXC.: Councilmember Cochran.

MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION: ADOPTION of resolution by C.R.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, let's see. How many more we got. Yeah, we'll keep powering away. Let me bring up...you know what, Members, I'm gonna take a five-minute recess before we do 108. . . .(gavel). . .

RECESS: 10:00 a.m.
RECONVENE: 10:10 a.m.

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ITEM 108: AMENDMENT TO AN EXISTING
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE
STATE OF HAWAII FOR FEDERAL AID PROJECTS (CC
16-212)

CHAIR HOKAMA: . . .(gavel). . . We shall return to order, Members. May I please direct you to BF-108 under the heading of Amendment to an Existent...Existing, excuse me, Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Hawaii for Federal Aid Projects. Mr. Baz has...oh no, excuse me. I take that back. Director Goode has sent us a communication 16-212 with a proposed bill entitled A Bill for an Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor of the County of Maui to Enter into an Amendment to an Existing Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Hawaii Regarding Federal Aid Projects. The request is to amend the agreement between the County and State of Hawaii to authorize execution of sub-agreements. Again, Members, sub-agreements for Federal Aid Projects. And attached to the proposed bill are Exhibit "1." It's a copy of the existing agreement dated June 25, 2015, with attachments; and Exhibit "2," the proposed Agreement Modification No. 001. It is unsigned with attachments. Mr. Baz, any opening comments you wish to share?

MR. BAZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. From my understanding, this is a required for us to be able to get reimbursed for the Fed Aid projects that are approved in the STIP. We do have our Deputy Director of the Department of Public Works, Ms. Rowena Dagdag-Andaya and our Division Chief for the Engineering Division of the Department, Mr. Cary Yamashita, to answer any questions and discuss this item. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. First, thank you for being here, Director Dagdag, and as well as Mr. Yamashita, from our Engineering Division. Director, any comments you wish to share for your Department at this time?

MS. DAGDAG-ANDAYA: Yes. Thank you, Chair. And thank you, Members of the Budget and Finance Committee. Once again for the record, Deputy Director Rowena Dagdag-Andaya and Division Chief of Engineering Cary Yamashita. I...we're here today on behalf of our Director David Goode, who is on Oahu actually talking about transit-oriented development. But, first of all, what we'd like to do is thank Committee Chair Hokama for scheduling this item today. The agenda before you today includes, or the agenda item before you today is an amendment to an existing memorandum of agreement that we currently have with the State Department of Transportation. As the Chair had mentioned earlier, this agreement came before the Council's Infrastructure and Environmental Management Committee in February of last year, then approved by the Council in March. And then later executed on June 25, 2015 by all of the counties and the State. The impetus for this amendment was a recent audit of State-County agreements and how they're handled. In order to comply with Federal requirements, the State Auditor recommended three options. And one of which is what we're doing today. It's to modify the current State-County memorandum of

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agreement to include language that the State and County agencies endorsing this modification of any project agreements executed for a County project by the State will be considered as an executed and binding sub-agreement. Which is what Chair Hokama had mentioned earlier. Just to give a background of these project agreements, they are considered, or they're titled PR-1240 and you'll see that a lot in the documents before you. And what the PR-1240 is, it's a project agreement that was originally between the State and Federal Highways. And now what we're trying to do, or what this modification allows us to do is includes the counties as part of that sub-agreement. So again, before it was just State and Federal Highways, now it includes the counties. And right now the all of the other counties are signatories to this modification. So currently Kauai County and the Big Island have moved forward and passed the item through their councils' resolutions and right now the City and County is currently working on getting their approval. So if and when this Council agrees then we'll be able to execute it with the other counties. Just to reiterate what the agreement in whole does, is that it identifies various responsibilities for each party. And you might be wondering so how does the MPO come into play with this. So the MPO, what it does is it sets forward the projects included in the STIP. So the MPO is the planning board. They are the ones working with the technical advisory committees to determine which projects are put into the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. And then, as the County, we would provide the design funds. We provide the construction management. And we also provide the matching funds for our construction projects. We design the project in accordance with Federal, State and local requirements. And we also design our plans with the State doing the reviews as we go along the process, the planning process. The State makes comments. And also advises us as to...or provides us with multi-year budget estimates of what types of monies we should be expecting to receive. So just to reiterate, the MPO is the planning side and then helps create the STIP. And then, at that point, it becomes the County who would oversee the design, the construction management and executes...or moves forward in getting contracts for construction. And I...you know, both Cary and I are here for any questions that you have. I'm gonna ask Cary, if you...did you want to say...did you have anything else to add?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Yamashita?

MR. YAMASHITA: Yes. Thank you, Rowena. Yeah. I just wanted to mention that this modification is imperative for us to receive Federal funding. We're trying to execute program documents as expediently as possible. We...yeah. So we're hoping that, you know, we can get this modification passed. So, if you have any questions, feel free to ask us right now.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Yamashita. So first thing, this doesn't...and again Oahu does have an existing MPO. We're aware of that. So if you look at the document, Members, the signator for City and County is the Department of Transportation. It is not the MPO. 'Cause I've had that question and I think the Department has responded appropriately. So when you look at the attachment on page...gosh it's hard to see. But this is under documentary evidence required for government obligations. It's interesting, I like that word. An amount shall be recorded

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as an obligation of the United States Government and supported by document evidence of a binding agreement. So, once we sign, the Federal government is committed to fund the projects that we have already on the STIP. Is that a good understanding on our part, Mr. Yamashita?

MR. YAMASHITA: That is correct.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And our agreement is that regardless, we will pay whatever matching or required funds from the County, as part of the agreement?

MR. YAMASHITA: Yes. That's done through our CIP appropriations.

CHAIR HOKAMA: And we are required to fund it?

MR. YAMASHITA: Yes.

CHAIR HOKAMA: What if the Council chooses that we have some concerns regarding the matching amounts or change of project scope?

MR. YAMASHITA: Yeah. We don't change the scope of the project. When we go in for a project during the Budget process, we follow...we stick to that description and scope.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Who holds the contractor's feet to the fire? Is it the County and your Department?

MR. YAMASHITA: Yes we do.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And if we have issues with certain entities, because of their past performances, you know, is that...is those companies rated in regards of ability to perform, ability to complete the project and not walk off? And can the County, if deemed appropriate for specific companies, increase the retainage amounts withheld by the contract to ensure completion and appropriate implementation of any change orders and punch list requirements?

MR. YAMASHITA: Yes by contract special provisions, we're allowed to impose additional retainages if projects are not proceeding on schedule.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. What is the current level of retainage, 5 percent?

MR. YAMASHITA: Yes it's 5 percent.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay but if we felt it appropriate we could retain like 10 percent?

MR. YAMASHITA: Yes. We're allowed to increase it by another 5 percent.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you for that. Mr. White, any questions for the Department of Mr. Baz? Okay. Mr. Guzman?

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COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: No questions.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Not at this time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Carroll, questions? Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No thanks.

CHAIR HOKAMA: I went last to my two current sitting MPO Members. So, Mr. Couch, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. No, Ms. Dagdag who is an alternate to one of the Members, explained everything correctly, so. I...it answered all my questions thanks.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Crivello?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Thank you. I may...it may be right before me or what Director already explained but in this agreement, it recognizes the Oahu MPO as receiving funding.

MS. DAGDAG-ANDAYA: Chair and Councilmember Crivello, no, the MPO, the city and...Oahu MPO is not a signatory on this. The funding for Maui would come to the...for the construction part, that would come to the County of Maui. So for the MPO, basically what you're...what the MPO receives are planning funds for the operation of the MPO and to carry out all of the obligations as stated in Federal law. But construction monies for the specific projects that we undertake do not go to the MPO, it comes to the County.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Members, further questions? One thing I did want to ask is, and I know the specific request is for us to authorize and allow you to change the agreement so that as a...and so we're a acknowledged sub-recipient, is there a benefit or makes sense for us to look at being, changing our status as to a recipient instead of a sub-recipient? I just bring that up because the Feds allow recipients to get the monies too. So I'm just wondering if makes a difference for this County.

MR. YAMASHITA: I'm not too sure. But I could find it out from the State.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay 'cause I really don't need pass throughs from the State. I would rather have it directly to the County of Maui. If it makes sense and it's possible. Because I hate to give State their admin fees. If they collect any out of the...out of this. But other than that, I think your request is required for us to continue to receive

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the Federal funding. Department, one thing I did want to have you share if you do have that information, currently what projects is dependent upon moving this forward currently that would impact our ability to perform? Do you have a list or a number of projects?

MR. YAMASHITA: Yes, Chair Hokama. We have a copy of the current STIP, the most...the ones...the latest revision and we can provide it to the Council.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. 'Cause one of the things that, you know, for me is timeliness of us doing our part. But knowing the environment of the construction industry at this point, I know where the bids are coming, and I'm not happy with those numbers, personally. But it is what it is. So I'm just concerned about timeliness of us making sure that our required projects move forward. Is...okay, Honoapiilani, Olowalu it is just a State project, correct?

MR. YAMASHITA: That is correct.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. 'Cause I had phone calls, why is the County this or that. It is not a County of Maui project for our people. This is a State project in and appropriately Director Fuchigami of State of Hawaii DOT is the more appropriate person to deal with the issues. So, thank you for that. Members, further questions on the request before you? If not I'm recommending forwarding to the Counsel adoption of a proposed resolution entitled Authorizing...excuse me, that's the wrong one. Not a resolution, forgive me, Members. I'm recommending the Committee pass to Council for first passage on first reading and be ordered to print A Bill for an Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor of the County of Maui to Enter into an Amendment to an Existing Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Hawaii Regarding Federal Aid Projects; allowing Staff to make any non-substantive adjustments; and filing of all appropriate communications.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: So move, Mr. Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Second --

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: --Mr. Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: I have a motion made by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Victorino. Members, further questions or discussion on the motion? Having none, all in favor of the motion, please say "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Opposed say "no." Motion passes, eight-zero, with one excused.

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VOTE: **AYES:** **Chair Hokama, Vice-Chair White, and Councilmembers Baisa, Carroll, Couch, Crivello, Guzman, and Victorino.**

NOES: **None.**

ABSTAIN: **None.**

ABSENT: **None.**

EXC.: **Councilmembers Cochran.**

MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION: **FIRST READING of bill; and FILING of communication by C.R.**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you very much, Department.

MS. DAGDAG-ANDAYA: Thank you very much, Chair and Members.

ITEM 109: AMENDING FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET: APPENDIX C - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (CC 16-214)

CHAIR HOKAMA: May I direct you, Members, now to BF-109. Amendment to a Fiscal Year 2017 Budget: Appendix C - Capital Improvement Projects. Mr. Baz has sent us a communication 16-214, with a bill for consideration entitled A Bill for an Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget for the County of Maui as it Pertains to Appendix C - Capital Improvement Projects, Department of Environmental Management, Department of Finance, Department of Housing and Human Concerns, Department of Management, Department of Parks and Recreation, Department of Police, and the Department of Public Works. The purpose of the bill is to amend Appendix C of the current year's budget to clarify project descriptions provided for each Capital Improvement Project. The design phase shall include, but is not limited to, permitting, site plan fees, Disability and Communication Board Fees, or other fees, which may be incurred at any phase throughout the project. Mr. Baz, your comments please?

MR. BAZ: Good morning, Mr. Chair, again. Thank you. So the bill in front you is really just clarifying language on the Appendix C. When it was developed with the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget and implemented, there's some discrepancies as far as what the projects...the listing of the project description and the project phases that Department of Finance will process for the different things. And I believe, specifically mention the design component where if we have to pay for a DCAB fee or other permits, different things like that, that Finance Department considers that design. And so if it's not

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included in the project description, as required in the top of Appendix C, we are clarifying that here in this language. So if you go through there are...you mentioned a few different departments that have this item and you can go through and see that basically we're just adding or replacing language to make it clear. There's no new projects going here. And also we just wanted to make it clear that these are the activities that the departments are gonna be doing as far as the projects that have already been approved. As well as the language clarification, Mr. Chair, about the language in Appendix C and its relationship to the phasing of what's allowed. And the actual dollar amounts that are in the far column over there, with the phase. So we're here for kind of just...I'm gonna call it nonsubstantive, but just minor changes here. I do have our Senior Budget Specialist Ms. Marci Sato here with me. She's the one that worked with the departments in...and the Department of Finance in clarifying this language

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Director Baz. Good morning, Ms. Sato. Any comments you wish to share?

MR. SATO: Good morning, Chair. Not at this time, Sandy pretty much covered most of what we are trying to accomplish. It's bridging the gap between all of the departments so that we're all on the same page. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you. I appreciate the straight forwardness in this request, Mr. Baz, Ms. Sato. So thank you very much. Again, Members, it is only on existing projects that we have authorized for the current budget. Okay. Questions or comments? Mr. White, any questions for our administrative representatives this morning?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: No I've gone through each of the changes and they are consistent with what they've explained. Pretty straightforward, thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you. Ms. Crivello?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Thank you. No questions at this time. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I do have one on Page 3 of the bill, down at the bottom. And it's just, you know, for clarification, number CBS-3174 a. Lahaina Refuse Office. Is that purchase of equipment and installation of new mobile office or, I mean it just, it doesn't read well.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: Yes, that is a purchase of equipment. The office trailer is considered equipment. So we changed that from acquisition, which typically would be land or buildings, to equipment there. So that's really just a clarification on that.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. BAZ: If you wanted to add the word purchase on there, we can.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Purchase of, I don't know. It just, it read funny. That's all.

MR. BAZ: Okay.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah. My thing on this one, Mr. Couch, is I am willing, as long as they live within the budgetary perimeters, I rather not limit them because if a smart lease makes better sense that a purchase, I would like to allow them that option. And explain why they chose that route versus the purchase route. I mean if there's savings or better servicing, you know, we understand. Okay. Mister...Ms. Baisa.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No questions, I've looked at them, everything makes sense. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Carroll? Okay. Thank you. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No questions at this time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Guzman?

COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: No questions, thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Again, I thank Ms. Sato and Mr. Baz. I...this helps to bring further clarity for both us in our understanding of the project, as well as making it clear, what is the intentions of our various departments. So, Members, any other questions you wish to pose at this time please? If not, I'm gonna recommend that we forward to Council for passage on first reading be ordered to print the proposed Bill for an Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget for the County of Maui as it Pertains to Appendix C – Capital Improvement Projects, Departments of Environmental Management, Finance, Housing and Human Concerns, Management, Parks And Recreation, Police, and Public Works; allowing Staff to make any and appropriate nonsubstantive changes; as well as filing of all appropriate communications.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: So move, Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Second, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Motion by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Victorino. Members, any discussion on the motion before you? Having none, all in favor of the motion, please say "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Opposed say “no.” Motion passes with eight “ayes,” and one excused.

VOTE: **AYES:** **Chair Hokama, Vice-Chair White, and Councilmembers Baisa, Carroll, Couch, Crivello, Guzman, and Victorino.**

NOES: **None.**

ABSTAIN: **None.**

ABSENT: **None.**

EXC.: **Councilmember Cochran.**

MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION: **FIRST READING of bill; and FILING of communication by C.R.**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Ms. Sato.

MS. SATO: Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Is there any other person besides Mr. Baz we need for number 95?

ITEM 95: **AMENDING FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET:**
 DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT (WAIKAPU
 BASEYARDS) (CC 16-167)

CHAIR HOKAMA Okay. Members, may I direct you now to BF-95 under the heading of Amending the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget: Department of Management, subheading Waikapu Baseyards. This is the second meeting on this item. The first meeting Mayor Arakawa was good enough to give us some of his visioning. His offer of allowing us to give comments and help set some of the general parameters of how we would like to proceed with this project. And so I’m gonna ask Mr. Baz, at this point in time, to give us any comments he has for us this morning.

MR. BAZ: Good morning, Mr. Chair. And yes you mentioned this was...it was reviewed two weeks ago, in detail, and Mayor Arakawa provided the general scope of what we had been discussing. And we want to move forward with this Budget amendment so that we can move forward with our Archeological Inventory Study, the Environmental Assessment, and the lot consolidation and re-subdivision. Again the main thing we really wanted to get from you guys today is are you okay with the way that we’ve planned the movement of the land from the 100 acres that is...was originally purchased that’s closer to Waikapu Town, moving that 100 acres for the baseyard

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closer to Kuihelani Highway, is kind of the main decision making we need at this point. The Budget amendment will allow that to move forward so that we can start to do more planning on what we want to do with the land.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you, Director Baz. I think one of the things that would help the Committee is dependent on the option, is there a general or a generalized and overall conceptual budgetary figures, that depending on what...how we would like to configure the property? Whether to remain it in its existing status or adjust it to the proposal. You know, is there any big difference in the amount of monies and funds required to do the project as you understand?

MR. BAZ: Yes, Mr. Chair. From my understanding, we have a general idea based on the Waikapu facilities master plan that was submitted. There are some financial aspects in that total of all the phases, you know, could exceed a \$100 million. But it really...we want to be able to take it in phases and in a manner that is achievable. Mayor Arakawa has joined us this morning, as well, and he can provide any other further details on this. But as far as dollar figures, that was kind of...the first phase we're looking at which is most of the base yards and the preliminary site work, it could exceed about \$50 million.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay Thank you for that comment, Director Baz. Good morning, Mayor Arakawa, thank you for joining us. We are on item 95, which you have given us some thoughts at the previous meeting. I would like to ask you at this time, again we...it's a surprise to have you, but we welcome you and is there any comments you wish to share regarding this item this morning?

MAYOR ARAKAWA: Good morning, Chair Hokama and Councilmembers. When we talked last time, what I was basically explaining to all of you, is this is the concept that we're starting with. It's a starting point for discussion. There...each of the baseyards that we're talking about has peculiarities that really need to be discussed and explored. And what we're looking at is we're looking at constructing buildings that after we construct, they're gonna have a lifespan of 50-70 years expectancy. So we're not building for today, we're building out from the time that we start so we have to be able to project in potential expansion as the County government grows and...or as the need within the departments grow. Just as we build a police station in Kihei in anticipation of 50 years growth and we're building fire stations with projected growth of the communities, we're trying to look at what the growth of the communities around us are going to be. And when you look at Maui County, and you look at the last 10 years for instance, we've been growing at about 2 percent a year. So what we're trying to do, is we're trying to be able to take the County from aging facilities that need to be worked on, to a more modern better situated position. And a lot of the baseyards that we're looking at, for instance, the Water Department baseyard, some property we don't own, it's State property. And it's in a tsunami inundation zone. And when we're looking at the sea level rise studies, and the all the studies that the university comes out with that we have to take into consideration, you know, we're gonna have to move it someplace so how, what, where, what animal we want to end up with, that's what we're here to discuss. We're very open to any suggestions and we really are

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anticipating that, you know, just as if we were to take each of these projects one at a time and the analysis that we would do it one at a time in each of the baseyards, we want to be able to do that. But we're trying to create a complex and the ability to have a number of different complexes in one area. It gives us advantages for parking, it gives us advantages for being able to utilize the space better. Being able to share equipment, being able to share services, and again, as we start discussing all of this among ourselves and with the experts that I'm hoping that we'll be able to hire to help us to go through this process, it is going to be an expensive project. Probably one of the more expensive that any of us will have to deal with, because we're looking at massive amounts of movements, literally almost all of our departments that have baseyards. But, you know, the police station in Kihei was about \$30 million. So when we're looking at all of the different baseyards that we're looking at, if we were to just take that as an average, you can see where it'll come up to well over a \$100 million. And a lot of it will depend on when we actually start the construction of those specific facilities. The sequence in which we do it as to what the costs are gonna be because the ones that we do sooner will probably cost less than the ones that we do later, because of construction costs, et cetera. Sequencing on how we want to be able to put these facilities together is gonna be critical as well. Because we're dealing with the age of the facilities, the need to be able to modernize a lot of the facilities. For instance, if we were to do an information storage facility where we taking all of the boxes that we have with all the files and cabinets and put in the computer systems that we want. That might be something we want to do early on so that we can start becoming paperless as a County. So we have to look at the different goals that we set. And I cannot emphasize more that we set, for the County to be able to expand to and to modernize to. Okay. I know the Council is already working toward a paperless situation but we also need to be able to take all of our files that are in paper cardboard boxes and put into storage containers all over the place and centralize them so that we have better record control, so that we have better accessibility. So that we have the ability to maintain and retain information so that whoever is leaving doesn't take all the information with them and doesn't...isn't the only one that knows the location of what those files are. So these kinds of things, even though it doesn't exist right now, as is a facility, is something that we need to really consider building toward. So, with your help, what I'm anticipating is that we'll take some of the services of the County and come up with even brand new services that we don't currently have. And figure out, this is what we need for the future. This is the direction we want to go.

MR. BAZ: Yeah, and, Mr. Chair?

MAYOR ARAKAWA: Put it all together.

MR. BAZ: Yeah.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: Yeah. Thank you. So just to, for an understanding, that \$100 million we're looking at is for over the next 25 years. It's not something like we would be coming tomorrow and asking you --

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Understood.

MAYOR ARAKAWA: No.

MR. BAZ: --for that. It is a long-term plan, long-term phase out. And this does provide, you know, for the space for, not just the next 25 years but beyond that as well of what we need. So, yeah. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. No I think it's exciting. You know it's...normally we deal with ongoing operational challenges and whatnot and it's kind of nice to look at something that's an idea that eventually will become reality. One of the other things I wanted to ask, since we are considering various components or departments for use, such as Water Supply, Public Works, Environmental Management, I was gonna ask, Mr. Baz, I know you asking us for a GO consideration, GO bond consideration, which I'm happy to. But is there any opportunity regarding SRF loans since these departments are qualified for certain SRF considerations? And if it is, what would be the approach that we could consider to try and capture the lower interest rates if possible please?

MR. BAZ: Yeah. Thank you, Mr. Chair. It's a good question. We can double check with the Department of Health. But from my understanding and what we've seen with other requests that are similar to...yeah...to this where we're trying to increase just the overall facility, they have not seemed to provide funding for...the SRF loans, for a baseyard or something that's...it only has to be expanding the actual service. Right. Providing more water customers or more...

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay because part of it, as I understand regarding the logistics of the proposed site, is the need for us to do potentially pump stations, and other considerations. I would consider...and since that is the component from the studies, I recall, and I may be wrong, I read a lot of things every day, I think we should be able to qualify...well maybe not the whole thing but portions of it.

MR. BAZ: Oh yes.

CHAIR HOKAMA: And so I'm just wondering, you know, if that we can qualify for that those portions that make sense.

MR. BAZ: Definitely, as we need to expand the water and wastewater systems themselves and provide additional users, then that would be something we can go to the State and request the SRF loan for.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. But not in this initial planning and whatnot where already to do the studies and some of the challenges we know we are gonna do some infrastructural adjustment as well?

MAYOR ARAKAWA: Mr. Chairman?

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MR. BAZ: Yeah.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Mayor?

MAYOR ARAKAWA: If I might. As we're doing this, I think that we can agree to explore as many different options as possible and check with the State on any...at any time that we're considering the construction or project, part of the project, opportunities for State and Federal money or even private funding to come in. So, I really would like to explore those possibilities as much as possible.

MR. BAZ: And one other consideration, Mr. Chair, as well is even if we do General Obligation Bonds, we do reimbursable bonds for the water and wastewater and, you know, all of the special funds. So we can allocate even some of this initial planning and design costs back to those departments as appropriate once we've finalized the capital item

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And again, I bring it up because in a meeting I was invited to attend in the Mayor's Lounge, we have worked hard, Members, we have created a very strong fiscal discipline in this County. We were able to respond 9/11, we will respond again well within the emergency of the last...past few weeks, because of our very strong fiscal discipline we have pursued and supported. Saying that, why I bring it up, is that I think anybody that lends money wants the County of Maui to borrow from them. We're a great borrower because of our performance. And if I recall right from the Feds, I think, and I believe Mr. _____ was kinda close to like 0 percent they was willing to consider the County or 1 percent if I was correct, because they want us to borrow their money instead of go through other financing options. It is a testimony to the Administration and the Legislative Branch of this County that created this unique opportunity for us to be able to capture savings through different means of financing. That I believe the State and our sister counties would kill for, if I can use that term. Okay. So, City and County was very proud that they got a double A rating for their borrowing from two rating agencies. Our rating is still higher than them from three rating agencies. Okay. It tells your Chair something about the fiscal strength of this County and the ability to borrow when required to and makes sense. So I share that with you because I think the people of our community needs to understand the importance of money and how we've approached it. The discipline we've used to be able to present opportunities like this for our future betterment of all residents. So I appreciate the Mayor. Mayor, any further comments you wish to share? I know you...the basic thing today, Members, is shall we give them the monies to move forward with the planning of a master plan. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: You know, since this is my district I...and this is some of the final touches I can put on. First and foremost I would like to thank the Mayor. This conceptual plan, and again, it's all conceptual and we understood that from the beginning. I'm very, very supported of it...supportive of it, for two reasons. First of all, the heavy Environmental Manage, Waste, W...Department of Water Supply and all of those are out near Kuihelani Highway, which remember when we discussed, we wanted to make that as the main exit for these baseyards. Where on the other side, you're gonna have homes built along that area so it would not give the people that live

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in that area the heartburn of trucks starting up early in the morning, especially when you talking refuse and some of these others that get a very early start. And if you're adjacent to them, you know, like what is happening here right now, down here on Kaohu Street, you know, the people there pretty much understanding. But I still hear complaints every so often. But they understand, you know, refuse trucks don't...they can't start at eight o'clock in the morning, they gotta get started at 3:30 to be on their routes by 4:30, five o'clock. So with that being said, I like the conceptual design and again, maybe there'll be changes as time goes on. The other part I rather like is where we are placing Maui Fire Department, the three acres, where the Waikapu Station will be located. We definitely need another station in this area. And this way, not only will Wailuku, Waikapu, and Maalaea have better fire coverage, we'll be more adjacent to high prone open space fire hazards, such as along the Maalaea to Ukumehame area. So, this will all add to some very important safety and wellbeing of our communities, Mr. Chair. All of the others, you know, again it could change. And it may change, but I like the parks closer to the homes. I like the idea of our services being closer to what...where it's needed, and closer to the highway where they can traverse a little bit easier and not create such a ruckus or such a noise making in the morning, that people get upset. And throughout the day, actually when you think about it. It's an easy traversing to the Kuihelani Highway. And the way it's set up the State is also talking about maybe making a bypass, putting a light there and giving you guys some help. 'Cause I've talked with Freddy Cajigal, and Freddy has said that if we do that and we put our baseyard there, they would be more than willing to put a traffic signal, with our assistance, in that area. So, Mr. Chair, I am very happy to see this. Again, I know there will be changes and through the years, maybe things are moved around. But again, the basic premise of our first concern if the Mayor remembered, our...my concern was I didn't want all of our services next to our residential. I prefer the parks because then too, people can traverse the road and just go to the parks and enjoy all those facilities, for which the Mayor has dreamed on for many, many years. And I share his dream in that respect. We had the first softball game in this area. And I'd like to see in the future, some of us older people would have an opportunity to play softball out on those fields. Right, Mr. Mayor?

MAYOR ARAKAWA: Absolutely.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Make sure you guys not on County time, 'cause I not willing to pay work comp for those injuries.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No, no, my injuries have never, never been charged to any of my businesses. It is my fault. And I accept that as my fault. Anyhow, Mr. Chair, thank you very much and I want to thank the Mayor and Mr. Baz. This conceptual plan is well thought out and I hope we follow at least the premise and then, you know, changes will come about, that's fine. So thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. White, questions?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Questions on the sequencing of the projects. The connector road from Kuihelani up to the proposed Waiale extension, I'm assuming that's gonna be done

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concurrent with the various sites. What is the timing on the Waiale Road extension and is there any cost sharing with other property owners with the respect to that project? And are those numbers included in the \$100 million estimate at this point?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Mayor? Mr. Baz?

MAYOR ARAKAWA: Yes, we are at this point, partnering with Mike Atherton in trying to create that roadway. They actually have donated the property for the roadway. We're having to work through with several other property owners that own segments of that property that will become the corridor. The coordination of all of this and all of the different baseyards...and I want to really emphasize the...Chair Hokama and I have had discussions and philosophically what we're trying to do is we're trying to create a plan. That as our budget allows, we can put money to be able to move these facilities and build these facilities. You know, I'm not looking at everything at one time, because we, quite frankly, can't afford to do it all at one time. And it may take 20 years or more to be able to complete out the whole project. Because there are many other considerations that we have to make on a yearly basis. And because of the timing, of what's happening in our community. So we have to take into consideration for instance, agricultural parks, the property that we just bought in Peahi, what we're gonna do there, fire stations in Haiku, police Station on Molokai. We have to look at, you know, all the different communities and what the needs are. And if we have a plan on how we're gonna be able to move these baseyards, we can slowly, over time, place them into our budget, and then coordinate all of this. The highway coordination, we're trying to be able to look at the transportation corridors that we really need to be able to make traffic move smoother. Now the Waiale extension has been part of the master plan for traffic for literally decades. Now when I worked on the Wailuku Community Plan back on the CAC, before I even got into elected office, that corridor was identified as a corridor to be able to move traffic through Wailuku. Because the current highway that comes right through Wailuku Town isn't constructed to move heavy amounts of traffic. And with the Waihee developments that are coming up, with all of the Maui Lani projects that are coming up, with all of the projects in Wailuku that are there now, Waikapu, the traffic pattern has to change to carry on larger quantities. So the bridge over Waiale, over the old Wailuku sugar bridge, that...we have to be able to redo to be able to connect to Waihee. All of those things have been in the plan for decades. And we have to be able to...we're working the plans, so we have to be able to construct these highways to be able to make transportation move better throughout our communities as all of the different areas are being built. Kahului, how it all connects up the...all the roads, even Waiko is supposed to extend all the way through, from where it is right now all the way through to Mokulele, beyond Mokulele and connect up actually to what would have been the bypass going from Kihei to Halimaile and then further Upcountry. So those corridors have been in the works for literally decades. And when we complete out all the plans, then you'll see a much easier and better transit system for a larger community. But we're talking about, you know, literally decades and decades of construction and planning. Our jobs as I see it, is to be able to put a blueprint that we can start working with and we can say, okay these are the kind of things we would need to be able to do in the future. This is what we can plan for this year. This is what we can

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plan for next year. This is how we're gonna transform government. Slowly but efficiently, and again, it's the job of the Council and the Administration to work together to be able to recreate government as the technologies change. And as the needs within the community change. Two years ago, who'd a thought that HC&S was gonna just fold and be gone come January this year? We don't know what the new Central Maui's going to look like until we actually come up with a plan that A&B is working on now for the distribution or redistribution of all those properties. So we have to be flexible in what we're doing. But having plans there so as the money becomes available from whatever sources we can find we can then apply for those funds. Now if you remember one of the great advantages that Maui has had, and Chair has been very much a part of this, is to have plans ready so that as the money becomes available, they're shovel ready. And we can take advantage of a lot of the Federal funds that others communities cannot take advantage of. And that's why Maui has gotten a lot of the improvements that we are working on, because we had things that are shovel ready. If we do what we're talking about with all of these plans and we coordinate them in a logical fashion, and that means that we have to rethink it, and rethink it because it will always shift then we'll come out with the best plan possible. And that's really what the goal of this whole exercise is. It's not to get something done today. It's to be able to put together a comprehensive concept in which we want to be able to build toward and give us a general direction. But every year, every Council will have to participate in readjusting to the current circumstances of that particular time.

MR. BAZ: Yeah. Mr. Chair?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: Specifically, Chair White, your question, it does not include that Waiale Road extension cost. It includes the internal road from the highway, through the subdivision, up to Waiale Drive. But on Pages 4 and 5 of the executive summary, it does discuss kind of what the site work and road work's gonna be done.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Right. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Crivello, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Not at this time, Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah. Thank you, Mr. Chair. And I can support, you know, having...we've got to get this plan going and we gotta move on. This is...we're only talking 550,000 right now? Is that right?

MR. BAZ: Yes.

MAYOR ARAKAWA: Yeah.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: I would hope you wouldn't use the word only.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Well, no, as opposed to the 108 million. But you're right, Mr. Chair, that is a significant amount regardless. And I understand we need to start moving on this. I can...I'm fine with approving the layout it's great and the idea is great. But, you know, we have a bigger problem, as the Mayor talked about, as things comes up. The big thing that's coming up right now is our affordable housing and homeless problem. If I had money like this, I would rather put it toward that first, something that helps the people, not our internal County at this point. We have baseyards that we're using now. Yes, we need to move them, yes we need to do everything. But if were in this situation right now, what kind of message does it send that we aren't looking at our affordable housing and our homeless issue as opposed to doing stuff for, you know, County's internal situation. So, I just wish we could look at...I mean they've got some ideas for affordable housing, and especially for the homeless, the Housing First. And I need...I hope we can see that here, as opposed to spending the money on internal stuff, Mr. Chair. I just I wonder where our priorities lie. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: No, thank you for your thoughts. I think you bring up a very good point, Mr. Couch. But with no future infrastructure, there'll be no housing. Okay. No water lines, no sewer lines, no housing. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Well, Mr. Couch kinda threw me off here. I was beginning to think, oh this sounds like a good idea. But, you know, listening to what he's saying, I agree. You know, there is some urgency for us to get going on doing something about this housing thing and we just gotta stop talking about it. But there's the other side of it that we need to plan. You know, I often hear people complain and say well some places and some things we have are result of poor planning and not enough foresight. So, you know, if we're going to plan well, then we have to get started because it takes time. And then we have unexpected things thrown in our faces like, none of us knew that we were gonna have this Iao Valley situation. Who could have known that? You know, a 100-year storm. And I agree with you, Mr. Chair, that it's really important. And I was able to attend the meeting yesterday to, you know, kind of discuss the things that we're gonna have to do. And fiscal responsibility and having the money to take care of these things is really important. And, you know, sometimes we sit here saying oh why don't we do this and why don't we do that. But it's really nice that when an emergency comes around that we don't have to worry about how are we gonna cover this money 'cause we have it. So it's complicated.

CHAIR HOKAMA: It is.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: It's very complicated. It's not a simple yes or no and I think everybody is right in some sense, you know, when they say let's get going. And there's others who are cautious. But that's why the nine of us have these jobs. You know, last night I attended the forum and I listened. And there was an interesting comment that was made by one of the people...one of the candidates. And I was discussing it

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with my husband on the way home. And it was a comment about we should put this decision on the ballet. And, you know, that's a convenient thing to put everything on the ballet. But then, it makes me wonder, well what are the nine of us supposed to do? You know, the people put us here and they give us a serious responsibility and a trust to try to make the best decisions for them. And yes you can put some things on the ballet but some things we gotta sit here and squirm and decide and this is one of them. So for me at this point I can go with moving ahead on some planning. I think it's important. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Carroll, questions, sir? Thank you. Mr. Victorino, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yes, and I thank Mr. Couch for bringing up the subject matter. But I agree with you, Chair. Unless we start building the infrastructure and the means for our communities to grow, it's a virtual impossibility. And that's why we're actually in the position we are today. And you and I both know, all of us who been in this Council a long time, we are here because of the lack of where all to build inventory across the board, especially affordable. So, I believe the public should understand that this is not something for us. That's not what this is all about. This is really planning the future. The same thing that many of the naysayers have come in and told us to our face, right? That we don't spend enough time. We don't do planning ahead. We react instead of being proactive. This is an example of being proactive. So, I don't want to belabor the point. I believe this will help develop housing, which will then, you know, move on to other areas. But I would hope, Mr. Chair, that in the very near future, and before Ms. Baisa and I leave, that we could have a real good discussion about some budgetary issues for which the Mayor has sent down about...what do you call, homelessness, housing, and some of that. That's my hope, Mr. Chair. Not asking for a commitment, I'm just asking if you find the time. And I know we all busy 'cause with the year-end but if we can find some time to really look at what monies could be put aside to assist in this area, Housing First and all of this. I think that's something that I'd like to consider also. But with this, we're here today, we're discussing this. And I can support it because I think this is a beginning of what I call the new era as far as Waikapu, Wailuku, and the area that will be developed, Mr. Chair. And this will be a lot of affordable housing, lot of local families will be living there. And I believe this is a good start. So thank you, Mr. Chair, for listening to this.

CHAIR HOKAMA: No, thank you, for all your comments, Members. Again, I appreciate the Mayor's sharing additional comment. What I will tell you though, the County is not the answer for all problems in this...our County, on our islands. We can do so much, we have limited authority by Charter. And we cannot override the State or the Federal government. My thing about the comments you've made, Members, I think this is a good project as far as planning. It give us a sense of direction. General direction that allows future Councils to make adjustments within the general parameters, I think we are setting that is appropriate. And regards to components of this planning, one thing that we are not in control of is the ability of what is paid to create a healthy middle class. We cannot legislate that. We need the private sector to be a partner and

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understand for their employee's welfare, a healthy middle class is beneficial to everybody in this County. Affordable housing is upon also still yet the ability to pay. And affordability should be based on our people's earnings. I have always pushed for further diversification of the economic engines of this County to allow our people to look at different means of employment, to build a healthier middle class. We cannot legislate a middle class. We are going to need everybody's participation in bringing back the middle class to its rightful place of trying to be the major majority of the residents of this County. Not the haves versus the have-nots. Okay. Because if it is, we better be ready for a civil war, because there's more have-nots than haves. And maybe that's why it's about time we start considering the benefits of a constitutional convention and discuss the appropriate financial requirements a County needs so we are not dependent upon the benevolence of the State government, because as I was nicely shared this morning with their phrase, there is the right way to do things and then there's the State way. So, Members, if you have no further questions, which I will ask you at this time, I'm going to recommend that we move forward with planning money to start setting the general parameters of direction and improvements that we can explain to the community why are we putting forth reasonable amounts of money and is as the Mayor mentioned, I agree, it is something for us to consider for the betterment of your children, your grandchildren. It's not...what most of us will not be here during the build out, complete build out. But I think you can take pride that you're a part of a planning process like our forefathers did, regarding the resort industry, Makena area. And for those newcomers who think we haven't planned, that is totally false. Hawaii was pretty stable under agriculture, until real estate development and the visitor industry made land and water all about the money. I know we throw the word native culture, aloha spirit. Yeah. But if you look at the true history of our native people, it wasn't based on money. They understood the role of the alii and the role of the makaainana. Western influence and western mentality about water and land has changed everything. So, for me, I find it interesting when newcomers throw culture at us. 'Cause America is basically a new country with no culture. It's a country that's trying to embrace somebody else's culture. Okay. So for me, as an islander, native born here, I find it interesting the convergence of western mentality trying to justify the Native Hawaiian culture. Interesting times, but if we know our history, people, and we know our culture, better than anybody else, I just would ask you to consider what I just shared. 'Cause I think it's important, 'cause we know who we are as a people and as islanders. And that's why I keep saying, island solutions for island problems. We know best. And our forefathers and foremothers did appropriate planning and they did the best in forecasting. Just like us, we had no clue about HC&S, we had no clue about the mentality of the new owners of Makena, we dealing with impacts that we are not...haven't anticipated. But we are resilient and we have the capacity and resources to respond for the public and our residents' benefit and that says something about our County government. So what I will recommend at this time, is to move forth all three proposed bills under item 95 to recommend to Council passage on first reading be ordered to print, allow Staff to make all nonsubstantive changes, to meet form and format, appropriate filing of all communications. And let's see, I will have one thing added in the report...Committee report, Members, I would like Council to be given at least quarterly status reports on the movement of this planning. 'Cause I think the Mayor and I have come to terms

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that, for us to go to reality and construction, we need the time to prepare to finance everything. And I thank him for that. So like I mentioned last night, regarding potential movement of the Central Maui water, sewer system. That's something I will support in the future, but we're gonna need to plan for that eventual quarter to half a billion dollars of investment to make a smart project, for the future of this County. We cannot have Kahului shut down because our system fails. It is the commercial center of this County. It impacts the civic center, which is Wailuku. And with that, the whole County is dependent upon us functioning and operating every day. Because if that plant goes down, Central Maui goes down. And we cannot have, allow that to happen to the best of our ability. That is your Chair's position as I look at the impact of what we're trying to do for the future and the amount of resources it's gonna take, that we are gonna have to ask the tax base to ante up on. So like I said last night, nothing is free. And let's see...

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: That was a rather far-ranging motion.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: I was gonna say...

CHAIR HOKAMA: Well, you know, and I apologize to you, Members. I was...I need to make it clear to the community what we're doing. Because one of the things that I found out last night was there is a clear need to improve communications of what the County does and what the community understands. Okay. So I apologize, it was a pretty long rant. But I think...my key is --

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: All good.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --I think we need to explain better to the general community what we're doing. Because I know quickly, this County has responded to our Filipino community under immigration services from the late Mayor Elmer Cravalho days. We've put hundreds of thousands of dollars, positions in the budget to deal with a great community issue and the heart of that Mayor. Okay. Succeeding Mayors have supported the continuation of that program. I found it interesting that we have a large member of our community unaware of the benefits this County provides specific groups. One of it is because we're not communicating well enough of what we're doing on the peoples' behalf. So I apologize for a lengthy comment but I think it's important that we communicate clearer and better to our community.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Thank you, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: I would agree with that. Would you mind restating your motion?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yeah so that we can...

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CHAIR HOKAMA: You know why because --

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: So that I don't have to...

CHAIR HOKAMA: --again the Chair continues to learn. Yeah. So I'm gonna change the motion because I need to, since I want quarterly reports. So, the motion is to move forward all three proposed bills for an ordinance to pass on first reading be ordered to print. It's our recommendation to Council, allow Staff to make any and all nonsubstantive changes regarding form and format, and since I'm gonna ask for the quarterlies, we will not file any communications. We will keep the item open in this Committee. That is the motion before you, Members.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: So move, Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Second, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Motion by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Victorino. Members we're under discussion. Miss...oh excuse me, Ms. Yoshimura?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Mr. Chair, just for clarification, so Staff will add a proviso under the Waikapu Baseyards requiring quarterly reports for the project.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Members are you clear?

COUNCILMEMBERS: Yes.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. 'Cause that will help us continue to monitor how the impact of money will occur in the future, as well as working with the Mayor on succeeding budgets. Thank you, Ms. Baisa. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. And, you know, I didn't mean to set you off there. But that was good comments and I really appreciate them. My concern again is more the Housing First, so that's why I have an issue with this right now. I'm fine with the planning and whatnot, but I really need to see the Housing First stuff come up. And so that's why I won't be supporting it at this time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you for your comment, Mr. Couch. The Chair understands your priority. Any further comments, discussions, Members? Mr. Baz, you have something you need to share?

MR. BAZ: Just real quickly I wanted to acknowledge and appreciate the comments that you provided regarding the financial management of the County. And on Friday's agenda there...we are referring an item to move funding from bond to SRF in recognition of your request for the Central Maui Landfill. So it's a wonderful partnership that we do to provide the financial stability of the County and we appreciate working with you on that.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Baz. Any further discussion, Members? Having none, all in favor of the motion, please say "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Opposed say "no."

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Motion carried...ah, thank you. Thank you for that, Mr. Couch. The motion passes with six "ayes," one "no," Mr. Couch, two excused, Ms. Cochran and Mr. Guzman.

VOTE: AYES: Chair Hokama, Vice-Chair White, and Councilmembers Baisa, Carroll, Crivello, and Victorino.

NOES: Councilmember Couch.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None

EXC.: Councilmembers Cochran, and Guzman.

MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION: FIRST READING of bills by C.R.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you very much. And, Mayor, thank you again for your presence and sharing comments with the community this morning on this item.

MAYOR ARAKAWA: If I may, Mr. Chair?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Please.

MAYOR ARAKAWA: I'd just like to thank all of you for your consideration and I really do appreciate us working together and being able to come up with the right kind of facilities for our community in the future. And I'm really looking forward to having many discussions about how we're gonna proceed because that's really the best way for us to proceed. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Members, there is no further business before you this morning. So I thank you for your presence. This meeting is adjourned. . . .(gavel). . .

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