

# **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**Council of the County of Maui**

## **MINUTES**

**April 15, 2019**

### **Council Chamber**

**CONVENE:** 9:08 a.m.

**PRESENT:** Councilmember Keani N.W. Rawlins-Fernandez, Chair  
Councilmember Kelly T. King, Vice-Chair  
Councilmember Riki Hokama, Member  
Councilmember Tasha Kama, Member (out 10:03 a.m.)  
Councilmember Michael J. Molina, Member  
Councilmember Tamara Paltin, Member  
Councilmember Shane M. Sinenci, Member  
Councilmember Yuki Lei K. Sugimura, Member

**EXCUSED:** VOTING MEMBERS:  
Councilmember Alice L. Lee, Member

**STAFF:** Leslee Matthews, Legislative Analyst  
Shelly Espeleta, Legislative Analyst  
Christy Chung, Legislative Analyst  
Yvette Bouthillier, Committee Secretary

Seated in the audience:

Kate Griffiths, Executive Assistant to Councilmember Kelly T. King  
Don Atay, Executive Assistant to Councilmember Shane M. Sinenci

Zhantell Lindo, Council Aide, Molokai Council Office (via telephone conference bridge)  
Denise Fernandez, Council Aide, Lanai Council Office (via telephone conference bridge)  
Mavis Oliveira-Medeiros, Council Aide, Hana Council Office (via telephone conference bridge)

**ADMIN.:** Michele M. Yoshimura, Budget Director, Office of the Mayor  
Jeffrey Ueoka, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Department of the Corporation Counsel

**OTHERS:** Wesley Lo, Chief Executive Officer, Hale Makua Health Services  
Kari Luna Nunokawa, President and Chief Professional, Maui United Way  
Autumn Ness  
Others (3)

**PRESS:** *Akaku: Maui Community Television, Inc.*

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: . . .*(gavel)*. . . Aloha kakahiaka kakou. `Ewalu minuke i ka hala o ka hola `eiwa, ma umikumalima o Apelila, i ka makahiki `elua kaukani umikamaeiwa. E `olu`olu mai, e ho`omalua ke Komike Ho`omohala Waiwai me Mo`ohelu Kālā. `O wau ka Iku Ha`i o keia komike, Keani Rawlins-Fernandez. It is 9:08 on April 15, 2019. Will the Economic Development and Budget Committee please come to order. I am your Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez. I keia la, me ko kakou, eia Committee Vice-Chair and Council Chair Kelly King.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Aloha kakahiaka.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha kakahiaka. Member Shane Sinenci.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Aloha kakahiaka, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha kakahiaka. Member Mike Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Good morning and aloha, Madam Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Good morning and aloha. And Member Alice is excused today so we don't get a different language. . . .*(chuckling)*. . . Member Riki Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Good morning.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Good morning. Member Tamara Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Aloha kakahiaka, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha kakahiaka. Member Sugimura will be joining us in about 20 minutes, and Member Tasha Kama.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Aloha Po`akahi, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha Po`akahi. And mai ka Administration we have with us Budget Director Michele Yoshimura.

MS. YOSHIMURA: Good morning.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Good morning. From Corporation Counsel, Deputy Corporation Counsel Jeff Ueoka.

MR. UEOKA: Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Good morning. And from our Committee Staff we have with us Leslie Matthews.

MS. MATTHEWS: Aloha, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha. Yvette Bouthillier.

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MS. BOUTHILLIER: Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Good morning. Christy Chung.

MS. CHUNG: Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Good morning. And Shelly Espeleta.

MS. ESPELETA: Aloha, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha. Okay. Just a quick reminder to please silence your cell phones or any noise-making devices. We have one item on today's agenda, EDB-1, Proposed Fiscal Year 2020 Budget for the County of Maui.

**. . .BEGIN PUBLIC TESTIMONY. . .**

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: We'll begin with public testimony on all items...or one item. Testimony will be limited to the EDB-1. To testify, please sign up with Staff. Testimony is limited to three minutes and upon request, up to one minute to conclude. If you're still testifying beyond that time I would kindly ask you to complete your testimony. When testifying, please state your name and who you're representing. Please also indicate if you are a paid lobbyist. We'll first check in with our District Offices. Ms. Mavis Oliveira-Medeiros at the Hana Office, will you please call your first testifier?

MS. OLIVEIRA-MEDEIROS: Aloha kakahiaka, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha.

MS. OLIVEIRA-MEDEIROS: This is Mavis Oliveira-Medeiros and there is no one here waiting to testify.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo. Ms. Denise Fernandez at the Lanai Office, will you please call your first testifier?

MS. FERNANDEZ: Good morning, Chair. This is Denise Fernandez at the Lanai Office and there are no testifiers.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo. Ms. Zhantell Lindo at the Molokai Office, will you please call your first testifier?

MS. LINDO: Aloha, Chair. this is Zhantell at the Molokai District Office and there is no one here to testify.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha, mahalo. Ms. Matthews, will you please call our first testifier here in Chambers?

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MS. MATTHEWS: Yes, Madam Chair, our first testifier signed up to testify is Wesley Lo, testifying on behalf of Hale Makua Health Services on EDB-1; to be followed by Kari Luna Nunokawa.

MR. LO: Aloha, Madam Chair --

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha.

MR. LO: --Councilmembers. I'm Wesley Lo, the Chief Executive Officer for Hale Makua Health Services. I'm here to testify in support of a couple grant requests that we have with the County. If I could just quickly go over them. It's broken down into two parts of our grant request. One is a \$100,000 in funding for physician services. This is down from 200,000 in the past several years. Just some history, about 16 years ago all of the physicians, the community physicians that were on staff at Hale Makua decided to stop admitting to Hale Makua except for Kaiser. So, for about 16 years we have had to hire contracted physicians to cover these patients; most of them are Medicaid which we don't get enough money from Medicaid to cover our cost. For years we have been trying to come up with new models and I'm happy to say on January 7<sup>th</sup> of this year, we entered into an agreement with Maui Medical Group to provide advance practice registered nurses at Hale Makua. We are hopeful that this will become a financially sustainable model as we are able to admit higher acuity patients and more patients that can help the financial situation to provide the physician services for the residents coming to Hale Makua. The other request is a new request for 200,000 for planning. Some of you may recall, last year we acquired a portion of Kahului Community Center; and part of that lease there was a resolution urging the Mayor to develop a master plan for KCC in coordination with Hale Makua to provide health care facilities service programs for the elderly population. So, we are starting down the path of trying to master plan. I think many of you saw the Healthy Communities presentation we made for Council. And we're pretty excited about it. We are looking to get some additional monies from the State as well as expending some of our foundation monies to come up with a comprehensive plan for Kahului Community Center. We do think that this could be sort of the centerpiece of Kahului; a hub where we could provide for healthy community and active living throughout Kahului and even look at some transit-oriented development in the area with Complete Streets, et cetera. So, we are requesting that to begin the process with the Administration. I have no further comments. I would be happy to answer any questions.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Mr. Lo. Members, any clarifying questions? Chair King?

VICE-CHAIR KING: Thank you, Chair. Thanks for being here, Wes. So, I just had a couple questions about you have two...the \$100,000 grant, is that under Housing and Human Concerns grant, or is that a separate line item? Is it a grant?

MR. LO: Madam Chair? It's my understanding that it's under Housing and Human Concerns and it is aggregated, I believe, at 300,000 and it combines the two grants. I have had some communications with the Administration that I think the KCC portion of it, the 200,000, will be actually administered by the Parks Department.

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VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay, that's what I...I thought I saw something in Parks for that so I wasn't sure why we're splitting it out and giving...so, you're asking for 200,000 over and above what we're spending with...through the Parks Department for planning that whole area?

MR. LO: I'm not sure what the Parks Department is asking for that. I have spoken to Ms. Peters, the Director, and we are wanting to do a comprehensive master plan in conjunction with each other --

VICE-CHAIR KING: Right.

MR. LO: --and my thought was that we would, sort of, pool our resources, you know. Again, I'm looking for some State money as well as some private money as part of the Healthy Communities' effort to see how we fund that.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay. Well. I guess we'll check into that when we do the Parks budget. Because I thought I saw that money in there for planning so I just wasn't sure why we're, you're asking for more money for planning. So...

MR. LO: I think that...I believe, I'm sorry, I don't know the Parks budget. But that's the only money I'm aware of --

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay.

MR. LO: --that's being asked for the master plan. But that, you'll probably need to check.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Yeah.

MR. LO: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay. Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Chair?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair King. Member Kama and then Member Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you, Chair. So, Mr. Lo, you said that a portion of the Kahului Community Center is what you are all going to be master planning with Parks; can you tell me what portions?

MR. LO: Okay, so, last year in Council there was a long discussion about whether it would be the 34 acres or approximately 7.4 acres of the park. So, currently there is a lease approved with the County for 7.4 acres which includes, if you will, the gateball field up through the Kahului Community Center and is just short of the pool. So, that lease has not yet been executed yet, but we are working on it. But the master planning money would be to plan comprehensively for the entire park so that this is sort of broken down. But we believe that although there are certain things that we need to do

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to relocate our Wailuku facility, that it would be better to comprehensively plan the whole Kahului Community Center rather than do it in pieces. So, that's the intent.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair...Member Kama. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. So, my question is right now the community center and the park is for everybody and if Hale Makua leases it and master plans it, is it only for the residents of Hale Makua or is it still for everybody?

MR. LO: So, the intent, we have not obviously even executed the lease at this point in time. The intent was that down on the gateball field we are hopeful to build a new rehab center to relocate our Wailuku facility, which is up next to Saint Anthony's, yeah? You know, we have a 90-bed facility up there and we're basically trucking things back and forth between the two facilities. So, we would probably vacate that premises and eventually relocate down to the gateball field. As far as the rest of the community center and the park, it's our intent, actually, to work with the County to master plan the entire thing. I don't think that Hale Makua has the wherewithal nor the desire to do the whole park. But, you know, I think as a steward for the community, I think the thought was that we would try to jointly start trying to plan whatever it is needed. Some of the thoughts that have come out have been about affordable housing, senior activities, possibly a senior center, and trying to retain as much of the fields and tennis courts and pools, you know, so that maybe we could jointly use it. For example, the pool. I don't know if many of you remember Jojo Apo used to give classes to the kupuna up in Wailuku Pool. We could...we envision that it could be used also for therapeutic purposes for the seniors around Hale Mahaolu as well as Hale Makua throughout. So, we don't have any definitive plans. I am committed to work with the County on whatever the master plan comes up with. You know, we don't have any preconceived ideas except for the gateball field. Frankly, with all the seniors coming at us, we need to develop more rehab and outpatient services down in that area just to keep up with the population.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: So then, what is your plan for the decommissioned facility? Is that property that you own?

MR. LO: It actually, I believe, is three parcels. Primarily, it's a County parcel, and I think that may be executive ordered from the State, and I think there was a State portion, and we own a very small piece. Our plans would be to relocate out of that facility and probably terminate the lease at that point in time. So, I know, we had had discussions with Councilmember Hokama about relocating and allowing that for County purposes since it'll be a County lease.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: So, the small portion that you own, you're going to give that to the County?

MR. LO: We haven't gone that far, but, I mean, I'm not sure what we would do. I believe it may even be just the parking lot in the back on Mill Street side, just part of it. So, I don't see any portion that would be for our use if we were to relocate out of that

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facility. So, yeah, I mean, it's a little bit early for me to tell; but I can't see, you know, what I could use it for at that point. So, we would probably want to somehow transfer to whomever. I know that there has been some discussions with Saint Anthony School and there have been other things we have talked about over the years through at Hale Makua that it could be used for other resources. I do know Saint Anthony's at one point in time was thinking of some expansion and they are land-locked by us. So, they got Imi Kala on one side and then we're on the other side. But, you know, we're just thinking about the relocation and if we can manage the relocation to allow for further development in Wailuku.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Chair?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Paltin. Member Kama?

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you, Chair. So, is it your intent to have some kind of community engagement regarding your expansion of Hale Makua?

MR. LO: Absolutely. I think firstly for the gateball field, I think, we're probably required to do an EA for that. So, that would require community meetings. But further to the whole park, frankly, I think that this needs to be owned by the community and developed by the community with everybody involved. In fact, we've been trying to reach out to many of the Healthy Eating Active Living folks and the affordable housing folks, you know, like Grant Chun and Lauren Loor. We really want to, you know, again, our idea is if we can bring momentum to make this a somewhat of a community center it's probably best to have everybody involved.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Well, I was specifically speaking about the neighbors.

MR. LO: Oh, sure. Yes, part of the EA process, we would have to go to all neighbors in the Environmental Assessment. So, we don't even have plans yet. We actually haven't even signed the lease yet, so we haven't started reaching out to them. So, but, absolutely.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you, Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Kama. Member Sugimura?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you, Chair. Nice to see you here, Mr. Lo. And this is exciting. I think this is exactly what the Opportunity Zones, I think, is what it was called, that conference we went to. And talking about how to build healthy communities and embracing all the different elements of the community and bringing everybody together as one big ohana. So, I support your efforts as you take your steps forward. I look forward to working with you because my Committee is Multimodal Transportation and we even have a Healthy Communities Committee, so it kind of fits in with what the Council is trying to do in terms of building our communities with the future endeavors of everyone, is what you're saying. I appreciate that. I would like to make a comment about a gateball park. I just saw a documentary looking at healthy

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living and long living and one of the things that the seniors in that group did was participate in gateball. So, I hope that the County, as we work with you, can find another location for it if the community thinks that it's something that they want to do. I know we have one in Kula and I look forward to this partnership. So, thank you --

MR. LO: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: --very much, Mr. Lo.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Sugimura. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Again, Mr. Lo, was it 100 or 200 for your planning money?

MR. LO: Two hundred.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Two hundred thousand? Okay. I would say I appreciate you coming early for the request because I'm very supportive of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Hale Makua to, you know, be able to take care our needs, including myself. I'm in that age bracket so I can appreciate what you're doing. I would ask you to please, I need you and your board to participate. Because as Ms. Sugimura has mentioned with the Wailuku-Kahului transit corridor moving forward—and I would like to move forward with the regional planning, I'll let you know--I'm not going to wait for an administrative proposal. Okay? Our Committee is going to move forward and start coming up with a concept from Council because I think at this point there's not enough time to wait since the Federal clock is kind of ticking. And since until the rules are finalized, which I want to make sure that incorporates what we have because we're already one step ahead of the Administration which has not proposed anything yet, I don't have a problem with Council leading the program through our Committee.

MR. LO: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: So, I would ask that you one, participate, get your board active as far as how to do additional fundraising outside of governmental funding. And that's part of the Opportunity Zone concept. Yeah. Because I need, for me, regional plan is smart enough that it should encompass...well, see, I see your project as our project, too, because it's our land.

MR. LO: Right.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: So, it's our project jointly. And I want to be prepared to move forward and be able to fund it since it's going to be now, for me, a big triangular regional planning from Waikapu to Waihee down to Kahului and whatnot. I don't have time to waste so I'm going to have the support of our Committee and our Councilmembers move forward faster. And if we need to come up with the plans, well, that's what we'll do. And we'll let the Administration react to us.

MR. LO: Okay.



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COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Okay?

MR. LO: Madam Chair? Councilmember Hokama, so, just some quick updates. I am scheduled to meet with the company that was promoting the Opportunity Zones, Local Initiatives Support Corporation, on April 29<sup>th</sup>. So, I will be talking about that and I will also be reaching out to find out additional funding sources that may be available for the County since I've been getting a lot of questions regarding that. Although, you know, I have not been actively involved. So, we will be having that and then I would encourage a quick plug on, I believe it's May 30<sup>th</sup>, we are having a breakfast and we are bringing back the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the Federal Reserve Bank, Local Initiatives Support Corporation, and Islander Institute to start actually having a hard discussion about what could possibly happen and how would you fund something like that from a multitude of sources. Again, for those of you who didn't attend the...there is apparently a lot of money nationwide that is available for this and they told us at the last meeting, we're thinking too small. We need to think bigger, and they did mention transit-oriented development, Complete Streets, food sustainability, and when they found out that there potentially is 34 acres to plan, not saying what we would do, that they would be interested. So, I would encourage, if you have available, I think some invitations have been sent for that conference. Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Follow up, please, Chair? If you'd allow?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you for allowing me the follow up. So, thanks for sharing that. I would also say, I've already reached out to our sister county, the County of San Diego, they have a community county health program that I think there's benefits for us to look for that we may borrow from them, the good things that can fit our community. And also I would ask that you and your appropriate personnel that understands Federal tax code to look under those benefits because there are components in the Federal tax code --

MR. LO: Right.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: --that those with the cash can have tax benefits. And that is an area that I'm looking forward to assist you in getting those types of investment dollars.

MR. LO: Yeah. Madam Chair, Councilmember Hokama, just, San Diego did do a project, a community development project there where they did bring a lot of economic development to one of the underprivileged neighborhoods. So, I would be looking forward to meeting with your associates from San Diego.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Members, any other questions? Seeing none, mahalo for your testimony --

MR. LO: Thank you.

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --this morning, Mr. Lo. Ms. Matthews, will you please call the next testifier?

MS. MATTHEWS: Yes, Madam Chair, our next testifier is Kari Luna Nunokawa to be testifying on behalf of Maui United Way, to be followed by Autumn Ness.

MS. NUNOKAWA: Aloha, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha.

MS. NUNOKAWA: Aloha, Councilmembers. Good morning. My name is Kari Luna Nunokawa, I'm the President and Chief Professional Officer for Maui United Way. And I'm here to ask your support for the Maui ESG Investment Project and Ahupua`a Conference which is listed as the Maui ESG Initiative Conference in the Mayor's Economic Development Program budget on Page 407. So, the goal of the ESG project is to enhance community understanding of the increase in institutional investment in our County and develop a strategy for utilizing ESG standards, which is environmental care, social responsibility, and good governance, to encourage economic actors to benefit our community sustainably. So, this is kind of a nice segue from what Mr. Lo just testified on. Maui United Way, which provides financial and programmatic support to 33 health and human service programs in Maui County, is serving as the fiscal agent of the Maui ESG Investment Project and Ahupua`a Conference. Our mission is to empower the Maui community through caring partnerships that enrich people's lives, and its goal is to address underlying causes of community problems to advance the common good. So, we believe that the goals of the Maui ESG Investment Project are consistent with Maui United Way's mission because one of the primary outcomes of this project will be to develop a roadmap for identifying equitable and environmentally sound local investment opportunities in and around climate change, education, affordable housing, sustainable community development, entrepreneurship, renewable energy, water, agriculture, and food security. In other words, to create systems changes that address the underlying causes of community problems through socially responsible investment. One of the instruments for achieving outcomes will be to create a transparent and clearly articulated framework and guidelines for investors and stakeholders so that the community can address potential negative impacts to Maui County and potential losses for investors before a project begins. For approximately six months, the project will host public events, workshops, and discussions to raise awareness around the role of institution capital in Maui County's economy; as well as how institutional investors make decisions and what role ESG standards can play in impacting those decisions. During this time, the project will also create opportunities for investors and impact investing leaders to meet with Maui County stakeholders in-person and remotely in order for investors to benefit from local knowledge and gain an authentic understanding of cultural and natural resources, physical, intellectual, and social as a necessary path for earning a reasonable profit. This educational period will be followed by a two-day outcomes-oriented Ahupua`a Conference where investors, ESG leaders, and residents will focus on outcomes based on the previous six months of highly engaged discussions. Maui United Way is excited to be able to support this project as a fiscal agent and hopes that the County Council will not only support this budget item but will actively participate.

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Ms. Nunokawa.

MS. NUNOKAWA: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Questions? Chair King?

VICE-CHAIR KING: Thank you, Chair. Yeah, we've been hearing a lot about this.

MS. NUNOKAWA: Yes.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Shay is getting around.

MS. NUNOKAWA: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR KING: When is the conference scheduled for?

MS. NUNOKAWA: So, right now the conference, they want to hold it before November. So, they have a timeline that they want to definitely do it by the end of October.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay. But you wanted to get...but, so, have you started already? Because --

MS. NUNOKAWA: So...

VICE-CHAIR KING: --if you're going to get six month's-worth of discussion before the conference --

MS. NUNOKAWA: Yeah, so they --

VICE-CHAIR KING: --you need to start now.

MS. NUNOKAWA: --they've actually been starting. They've been having discussions with Maui College, Tim Botkin there and they've been going around, I know, to each individual Councilmember as well. And so, what they found is they actually had a shorter time period but by going around and talking with different people in the community they found that they actually need a bigger lead into the conference. So, we are...Maui United Way is actually invested until the end of November or the Ahupua`a Conference, whichever comes first. And then the board, my board, wanted to be able to reevaluate after that time period.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Oh, okay. So, you guys, Maui United Way is also putting money into the conference?

MS. NUNOKAWA: So, no, we're not putting in but we're also actively participating to bring the non-profit voice to this conference and to the discussions and to the community.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Oh, okay.

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MS. NUNOKAWA: We are helping them with different avenues of funding but we're not actively necessarily participating in the fundraising process.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay. And then what is the date for the Ahupua`a Conference?

MS. NUNOKAWA: So, that's the end of October.

VICE-CHAIR KING: End of October.

MS. NUNOKAWA: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay. So, and you're not sure if this is going to come first or after at this point?

MS. NUNOKAWA: Right.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay. Alright. Thank you.

MS. NUNOKAWA: Yeah.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair King. Member Sugimura?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Nice to see you here.

MS. NUNOKAWA: Yeah, hi.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yes. Dr. Nunokawa, right?

MS. NUNOKAWA: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Because you're a Ph.D. But, I wanted, I had the same question as Ms. King --

MS. NUNOKAWA: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: --about when is it going to be. Because I think when Shay and Chan first came through they thought it was going to be in August --

MS. NUNOKAWA: Right.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: --from the early discussions.

MS. NUNOKAWA: Right. And then, as they're talking to more members they're realizing that the community does not understand what this means and so they need to be able to reach out to more community members to get the engagement for the conference. So, they're trying to push back the conference for a little bit so that they can have more community engagement and get the word out and really start to educate the community about what this means, about what it means to bring investors into the community and things like that. And so, for Maui United Way, we really just want to

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be able to bring that non-profit voice and be able to get our partners to the table to make sure that these investors understand what the community needs are in each of these areas.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Perfect tie-in to what Wes Lo --

MS. NUNOKAWA: Exactly.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: --just talked about.

MS. NUNOKAWA: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: So, yeah, that's what building community is about, right?

MS. NUNOKAWA: Absolutely. Absolutely.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: I'm glad that you're involved in this with your commitment to the people and the community. So --

MS. NUNOKAWA: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: --thank you very much, Dr. Nunokawa.

MS. NUNOKAWA: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Sugimura. Member Kama?

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you, Chair. Nice to see you today, Kari.

MS. NUNOKAWA: So good to see you, Tasha. So good to see you.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: So, thank you. My question is have...do you know if there's an outreach to the Native Hawaiian community?

MS. NUNOKAWA: Yes. I know Shay and Ian Chan Hodges are definitely reaching out to the Chamber of Commerce, the Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce, and things like that. So, I know they're trying to really reach out to the different groups to bring everyone together for sure. Yes. We need everybody's voices at this table.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: But specifically, I was thinking about those of our Native Hawaiian brothers and sisters who are not particularly engaged in the system of government that we are engaged in today; and if the reach could go out to there and get some education on that.

MS. NUNOKAWA: That would be wonderful, yeah. And I'm sure they would love your mana`o on that and how to reach out to those people, for sure.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Well, your professor would help. Thank you.

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MS. NUNOKAWA: Thanks.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Kama. Members, any other questions?  
Seeing none, thank you so much, Ms. Nunokawa --

MS. NUNOKAWA: Thank you. Mahalo.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --for your testimony. Ms. Matthews, will you please call our next testifier?

MS. MATTHEWS: Yes, Madam Chair. Our next testifier is Autumn Ness testifying on EDB-1.

MS. NESS: Aloha Council, my name is Autumn Ness. I'm here to testify in support of Budget items on two things: one is to purchase the Kulanihakoi Gulch properties; and the other is for supporting the Parks Department transition to 100 percent pesticide-free parks. First, Kulanihakoi. Kulanihakoi is a wetland with big cultural and environmental importance. I would like to see the County own it so that it's protected forever from any kind of development without us having to continually organize against a bad idea every time someone tries to push something through; and so that we can work on the planning and active rehabilitation of that wetland. I've seen firsthand in other places how the rehabilitation of a filled-in wetland area can have huge positive impacts on the water quality, reef, and ecosystem health of the ocean below; and the Aha Moku O Kula Kai and myself would love to see this through. I've been working with Aha Moku about this extensively and checked in with Vernon on Friday. He can't be here this week, but I have his full permission to relay their support to you today. We'd like to put a proviso into the Budget or the Open Space Fund or wherever you guys deem appropriate, that the County purchase the gulch and if possible, put a bit of funding in for planning and active rehabilitation. We would also like language included that requires all planning and work be done in coordination with the Aha Moku O Kula Kai. I can go into further detail about the value, the number attached to that property if you're interested afterwards. Next, pesticide-free parks funding. You may know that two years ago our Parks Department was trained on how best to transition to pesticide-free land management and they committed to a five-site pesticide-free parks pilot which is still happening. The protocol they were taught, once it's up and running, is able to be conducted at the same or less than what they are currently spending on parks maintenance. There are a few upfront costs, however. So, that's what I'm asking for on their behalf. I haven't even had a chance to check in with Director Peters about with what those costs are, but I know that she is in support of continuing this if they have the financial backing to do so. I have to tell you that pesticide-free land management is the new norm. A few months ago, a gentleman named Dewayne Lee Johnson, a school grounds maintenance supervisor, won a \$289 million settlement against Monsanto in court because the court found that the Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma that he developed was directly caused by Roundup; that was in California. Next, in Federal court just a few months ago, another gentleman won the exact same case, but in Federal court. And now there are 11,200 lawsuits on deck against Monsanto-Bayer. This issue is not going away. I just came from a conference in New York last week with hundreds of

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people from around the US that are trying to make this happen. I met Dewayne Lee Johnson, he is very, very sick and he is spending the last few weeks of his life making sure that he is not...he does not die in vain. As soon as the second lawsuit was passed, or was won, Los Angeles County quit pesticides cold turkey the next week. Chicago's doing it. Irvine did it two weeks ago, or, two years ago. Reno's doing it; it's happening all over the country. We know how to do it, we just need to put a little bit of money into the program upfront. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Ms. Ness.

MS. NESS: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Members? Chair King.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Thank you. Thank you for coming out.

MS. NESS: Hi.

VICE-CHAIR KING: We actually just discussed...we're discussing the gulch in this Budget --

MS. NESS: Oh, cool.

VICE-CHAIR KING: --so there is a budget item that I'm proposing. And I've been working with the folks on trying to negotiate a good rate. So, if you have any information related to any discussions that you've had with them, I would like to get that information. I haven't talked to Vernon about it and I don't know how involved he is, but --

MS. NESS: Right.

VICE-CHAIR KING: --I agree with you, we need to get that...we need to keep it from being developed and there is a section of that --

MS. NESS: Right.

VICE-CHAIR KING: --parcel that is developable if they decide to try to go ahead with it, but I don't think the community is going to welcome that. So, you know, I just want to thank you for your support --

MS. NESS: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR KING: --for that and, you know, I'm happy to talk to you about it afterwards.

MS. NESS: Okay.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR KING: And I do support the pesticide-free, but I...we need to know a number. Like, what are you...what are we looking at as far as needs?

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MS. NESS: That, I don't know. Director Peters would know that better than me. But, I...Vernon is...Vernon and the whole Aha Moku guys are concerned about the price tag attached to Kulanihakoi because the price tag, I mean, let's be real --

VICE-CHAIR KING: There's no price tag right now.

MS. NESS: --it's...

VICE-CHAIR KING: Just so you...

MS. NESS: So, yeah, that's what their concern is.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Yeah.

MS. NESS: They're concerned about us way overpaying for a piece of property.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Yeah.

MS. NESS: Anyway. That's their only concern is, how much we end up paying for it. But they want it. They want the County to own it.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair King. Member Sinenci?

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you. Thank you, Autumn, for being here. You know if Aha Moku has spoken with the Hawaii Island Land Trust people? Maybe partnering with them?

MS. NESS: I haven't --

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: You're not sure?

MS. NESS: --and mostly because...I don't think they have. Mostly because in their, and frankly my opinion, I don't think the price tag, the value, the financial value of that land is that much, you know. I don't think...and I've seen us pay, we paid what almost \$9 million for Peahi? We paid how much for the piece of property, the beach access from Home Made Bakery, in 2 million? In comparison with all of that, this should be like a couple \$10,000. So, I don't think Aha Moku has done a lot of research like going with \_\_\_\_ and stuff because they're just like, well, if we paid this much for these properties, then the Open Space Fund...this is like a no-brainer, you know? So, if it has to get there, then I think I'll help them do that for sure. But...yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Yeah. Follow up? And for the pesticides, I know that Director Peters had mentioned about the pilot program, couple of the parks. Do you foresee any...what types of direction we should be moving in? I mean, any new stuff that you



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heard from the conference that you attended as far as other counties moving in this direction?

MS. NESS: It's actually getting easier because this is such a thing now. A few years ago the model for maintaining municipal parks was chemical fertilizer, chemical pesticides, repeat, you know? But because all this is happening, new products are emerging. A few years ago when they were here and they gave this new protocol, it's great. Once you get it up and running it's a self-feeding system because it's a natural system, you know. But the product that we needed here to get that happening didn't exist on-island. Now, bigger distributors are actually making and producing these products. We just need a few things like inputs and different machines and stuff in the beginning to make it work. But it's actually getting easier, which is good news, you know? Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you.

MS. NESS: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Sinenci.

MS. NESS: Thank you, everybody.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Members, any other questions? Seeing none, thank you so much for your testimony, Ms. Ness. Ms. Matthews, will you please call the next testifier?

MS. MATTHEWS: Madam Chair, there is no one else in the Chambers signed up to testify and I have not received any notification of testifiers at our District Offices.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo. Members, if there are no objections, I will now close public testimony.

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTIONS.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo. Okay, public testimony is now closed.

**. . .END OF PUBLIC TESTIMONY. . .**

**ITEM 1:           PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY  
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**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS  
DEPARTMENT WATER SUPPLY**

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. So, Members, today we will wrap up deliberations on the CIPs for the Members that were excused on Friday. Following the same method as last week, utilizing the project detail summary page, we will turn to Water and then Public Works. Please identify any CIP project you would like to amend or have

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questions on by stating the district, the project type, and the CBS number, and I'll mark those requested and we will take each project up in the order listed. We will seek consensus and if any Member does not agree with the change, we will mark as a revisit and take it to a vote during the week of the 22<sup>nd</sup>. We have a half-day today to accommodate Members' travel to Molokai for our district meeting tonight. Before we get started, are there any departmental questions that the Members want to transmit to Committee Staff? Today is the last day I'll be taking your questions for the departments since they will be here in person starting tomorrow and we can ask them ourselves directly at that point. So, okay? So, we will start with Water.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes. Page 863. And we...on Friday we discussed three items: CBS-229, Countywide Upgrades and Replacements; CBS-1106, Upcountry Reliable Capacity; and CBS-1092, West Maui Reliable Capacity. Chair King, do you have any items on Water?

VICE-CHAIR KING: Are we...I'm not sure what the process is. Are we going through these one at a time?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yeah, so, you'll let me know which items, which CIPs you had questions or amendments to and then I'll mark them down. I'll get Member Hokama's CIPs that he has amendments and questions to, and then we'll take it in the order that it's shown on the summary list.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay. I actually, I don't have...I mean, the only ones I did at your request were the ones for the meeting that I missed --

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: On Friday.

VICE-CHAIR KING: --yeah, on Friday. So, I didn't know that you were waiting on a list from us today. I thought we were just going to go through them one at a time.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: So, did you get an opportunity to review the Water and Public Works?

VICE-CHAIR KING: No, actually, because I wasn't sure where we were going to be. I mean, I think you did more than you thought you were going to get done yesterday --

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR KING: --so, we're a little bit behind the eight ball because we were...I'm not...I'm trying to catch up to where we're at as far as the --

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: The Water --

VICE-CHAIR KING: --previous questions.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --and Public Works was scheduled for today.

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VICE-CHAIR KING: Right, but you said that you already did some of the things the CBSs in Water?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I just, I wanted to give you and Member Hokama an opportunity to ask questions --

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --or provide amendments if you and Member Hokama had any.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay. I don't have any amendments at this point.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: For Water? Okay.

VICE-CHAIR KING: I don't know if Member Hokama has any.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Member Hokama for Water?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you, Chair. My questions are...and I currently also don't have any amendments depending upon response from the Department. But my questions for the Department is, would be basically under CBS-1075 under Countywide Facilities because of the Piihola and Kamole Projects under Countywide Upgrades. My questions will be with the Kaupakalua Well, Kepaniwai, and I'll tie it together, Chair, under Countywide Water System Modification because this is the pot that supports all CIP. CBS-1106 Upcountry, and CBS-1102 Central Maui. My question is, Chair, again yeah, should the State Legislature continue the current direction, which is regarding water leases, how does this impact the projects of the Department? Are they going to be modified? Are they going to be deleted or put on the backburner and not move forward? Because for me, Chair, part of the sustainability efforts we've talked about in general is we support local agriculture production. We all know no water, no ag. So, the conundrum. What happens to ag land if they do not receive water and again, we're concerned about Maui County, Maui island basically because of the East Maui ability of having great water resources but we need to transport to Upcountry and other components as well as the Central Aquifer that supports South Maui. So, I'm just trying to figure out, is there going to be a revision of the Departmental projects because the State has now, if they choose not to do anything else, Chair, the leases are going to end. So, what does this mean to our current ag users, the farmers, the ranchers? What does this do to Mahi Pono and its ability to move forward and hire a lot of our, what we hope, is our local residents? Because already on Friday as Ms. King and I were on Oahu, we heard the owner of Nalo Farms, which was at one time the largest produce producer. He's not going to restart. So, if our main large producer is not willing to restart after, of course, devastating events, I need to know where does Maui fit in this circle? Because we rely on each other. I would like us to support each other as islands. So, what happens to our projects here? And I know for a fact, and the Department's own motto is, "water is life." So, what are we going to do then, Chair? And, that would be something I would hope the Water Director and his planning people are already projecting and preparing

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a position for the Administration to share with us so we can then make even smarter budgetary decisions. So, that's where I'm coming from as it regards to the CIP. And once we get this squared away, it will impact operations and then we can make those better-informed decisions as well, Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Chair?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Staff, did you get all those questions? Okay, great. Thank you. Member Sugimura and then Chair King.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you. What Member Hokama just said was it has been exactly probably all within the media and our thought-process of many of us on the Council as we represent our communities. And, so with my community, I think the number is 34,000 residents that are being affected by this water decision at the Legislature. And I know that there's all kinds of different positions being taken and statements being made but from a very simple and simplistic way, I just want to say that the decisions that are the...what Mr. Hokama is talking about and the impact that it has on our families and farmers Upcountry is huge and in time of drought, we're going to be worried about where is that, you know, water going to come from. Not only can farming continue or, you know, like, our ag park and Mahi Pono for agriculture, but just our families, our children, the kupuna who rely on water for our daily life. And I look forward to the, I think, Water is going to come before us tomorrow? But I look forward to hearing from Jeff Pearson what he has to say because we as policy makers, we represent everyday living. We represent families. We represent...

VICE-CHAIR KING: Chair, just a point of order. Are we still, are we on the Budget issue or are we talking about the water bill? 'Cause I...

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Well, I think it impacts it. So...

VICE-CHAIR KING: Well, we don't have any control over the water bill. So, I just want to make sure that we're...

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: So, I think that what Mr. Hokama talks about is the impact of those kinds of decisions as it has with our families. And I stand by our families and I stand by our farmers and he's right. It has an overlay in all of the decisions we'll be making on the water bill. So, I'm sorry, Members, if I went a little bit further but I think that it's huge; it's a huge impact that we need to be concerned about. So, thanks.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Sugimura. Chair King?

VICE-CHAIR KING: Thank you. Just regarding the Budget, I still have this concern about...it looks like we got no SRF funds this year for, I'm just looking at the Water CIPs. So, that's kind of a concern for me. I mean, I know I heard there was less money in the SRF fund, the State Revolving Fund, this year. But it doesn't appear

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that we have any funding from that account. So, if we could maybe get, and then maybe the Budget Director knows why. We've always...seems like we've always had some projects that were funded by the State Revolving Fund.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Ms. Yoshimura?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Chair, after speaking with both Environment, Department of Environmental Management and the Water Department, the availability of funds this year was very low. I believe DEM had one project, but Water was not able to secure any funds.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay. Do you know how much it was?

MS. YOSHIMURA: For DEM?

VICE-CHAIR KING: Do you know how much was available in the State Revolving Fund?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Oh, I'm not sure what was available. We can respond to you in writing.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Yeah, okay. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Ms. Yoshimura. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, yeah, thank you. As it impacts Water, can we also...I would ask you if you also sent a request to Environmental Management, what is the ability and percentage of use can we expect from R-1 water components to assist agricultural support? Because I'm aware that the Department of Health will allow use of our R-1 waters if it makes sense from our side to put in those lines. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Members, any other questions? Okay. Okay. Member Hokama, did you want to state on the record your questions for each of the CIPs that you listed? You can bring them up one at a time.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: I...thank you, Chair. I believe in my first opportunity, Chair, it was more of a, like an omnibus question which is how does that water bill affect all those CIP projects? I'm assuming the Department has approached it from a universal budgetary point. So, I think that would be sufficient, Chair. And then the second part would be as it overarches into DEM's ability for water, or not water, but for us to make the policies under ag. Are we going to invest sufficient resources to make R-1 a potential additional component for irrigation needs of agricultural operations? Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Staff, did you get all of that? Okay, great. Okay. Members, any other questions? Okay.

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: We're going to now go to Public Works. And that is on Page 783. And we started going over Public Works on Friday, but we ran out of time, so I collected everyone's, the CIPs that they had questions or proposed amendments to I noted them down and then we went through Member Kama's, and Member Lee didn't have any. And then that way, when Member Kama has to leave today then all of her concerns and proposed amendments were already addressed. Okay. So, Chair King?

VICE-CHAIR KING: Chair, I have some notes on some of the comments that were made that my staff took and I think overall, you know, we're probably going to have to go through and revisit. I was just told that we're revisiting all these items but, you know, one of my bigger overarching concerns is that there's a lot of proposed provisos so it's going to be really important to hear from the Department why they chose the projects that they chose for these different pots of funding before we override them and start putting, you know, the district concerns in there. Because I, you know, all of us have a lot of district concerns. But, you know, that's why we kind of need to hear from them on what, why they...what their priority is for funding and why they chose the exact projects that are already in there. So, that's...it's just kind of an overarching concerns before I add my wish list to this.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay, did you want to name which CIPs?

VICE-CHAIR KING: Well, I mean, I'm just looking at the notes from when I was gone and CBS-1032, CBS-1024, CBS-1035, CBS-1037, CBS...

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Are these all the ones that you have questions or you...

VICE-CHAIR KING: No, no. These are the ones that I was just...in my notes I show that various Councilmembers have requested provisos. So, my concern is hearing from the Department to find out if we put a proviso in there what we're overriding, what's not going to get done? And, you know, hear from them first before we make a decision on which CIP projects we're going to fund.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. So, are there any specific CIPs that you want to bring up --

VICE-CHAIR KING: I do --

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --to propose for amendment?

VICE-CHAIR KING: --I mean, that are concerns for me?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Yeah, I mean the 5485 and 2309, which are the...

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Sorry, can you say the district?

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay. The South Maui, 2309 is the North South Collector Road.

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Just and, you know, a concern that we're...these are top priorities. The 5485 is the Kihei Road Sidewalk Improvements. And then there's some specific sidewalk improvements which are 5492 and 5515 which are...have been ongoing. Probably should have been done already by now but those need to get done as priorities. And, you know, one of the testifiers brought up the Kulanihakoi Bridge, which is sort of sitting waiting for the master drainage plan to get done. There's not an item in here for it but it's an ongoing issue for South Maui, and one that South Maui has been trying to work with Public Works on. Do we...

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: We're going to go into deeper discussions --

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --when I call . . . *(inaudible)*. . . CIP.

VICE-CHAIR KING: But there's no, there isn't a CIP item for it and so I'm just bringing it up as a concern that the community has that, you know, it had funding and now it doesn't have funding because the whole project fell apart basically the way they were trying to do it. So, that's one of my biggest concerns too --

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR KING: --is that like the testifier said, and she's not here anymore, but it's the...that bridge is a critical piece in our flooding and if we get another 50-year flood we're going to be underwater in that area.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Ms. Yoshimura, did you have a comment on the...what she's selecting or if we're going to go into deeper discussion then I'll just ask that we wait until we get to that item.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Yeah. That's fine. We can wait for Public Works.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay.

MS. YOSHIMURA: Chair?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh, Ms. Yoshimura?

MS. YOSHIMURA: In your responses, PW-4 gives a prioritized list of all the Public Works projects, and then it gives you the criteria they used to prioritize the projects.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Right. So, you know, so that was my concerns is that, you know, hearing from them on what...if we start proviso'ing other items on there, how does that affect that list that they have? But, you know, that's a question for the Department.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Ms. Yoshimura. Member Hokama?

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COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you again, Chair. First, let me just say that Ms. King and I, you know, it's not an apology that we weren't here Friday. What we were doing on Oahu Friday was very important for our County. And so, I believe we were being responsible to represent our interest as it regards to the State and our other sister counties. So, I appreciate this time you provide us, Chair. Just couple things so that the community is clear, Ms. Yoshimura. When we fund these capital improvement things under Public Works, especially under bond, how much of it is...does the Department view it from a point of the Highway Fund to reimburse the bond float versus just General Fund support? Please?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Ms. Yoshimura?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Chair, so all of the projects that are funded through Public Works are highway projects. If we use bond funds then the Highway Fund will pay the debt service on each project. So, we look at a lot of projects with Federal funds --

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Right.

MS. YOSHIMURA: --and those are one of our priority projects.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Okay, so, if you are able to give us a sense at this time, Budget Director, we would appreciate. If not, I'm happy to give you sufficient time to respond accurately. But the status of the current Highway Fund in my estimation needs support of revenues sources. And, you know, we need to be innovative, I guess, in a sense. Are you folks confident after presenting the Budget that the Highway Fund can provide us the resources to fund the projects as proposed?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Ms. Yoshimura?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Your projections, you know, your current projections?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Chair, so, with the current revenue estimates for the Highway Fund, we are able to fund the proposed projects either with cash or through bond funding. The Highway Fund also supports public transit. So, it does support your bus services for paratransit and public transit. So, that's another consideration when using the Highway Fund.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Do you know if the Department has reached out and seeked [*sic*] the ability to receive some of President Trump's initiative under his Infrastructure Reinvestment Program? Since we're already starting reauthorization efforts at the Federal level, I'm wondering if the Department has taken the initiative to start the process of seeking those Federal dollars.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Ms. Yoshimura?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Chair, I would have to check with the Department on that and probably also the MPO.



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COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you. Again, yeah, Chair, my things are mostly under Countywide like 1027, the Countywide Drainage Improvements. Again, we all know, and I'm, again, I'm preparing for 2030 already so I'm trying to...I need more clarification if possible of some of their priority areas that they're looking at and as it ties into 1023 under the Road Resurfacing and Pavement Preservation, you know, is there many projects by the shoreline area within the County? As well as 1024 with, regarding the Safety Improvements...my concern. Because I think we've made a point, Chair, that sea-level rise is one of our top priorities. And so, is it smart money to really invest heavily instead of just doing some smart maintenance on some of the shoreline areas until we decide what is going to be hardened and where is going to be retreated as a guidance for us to make some of our key decisions. And then, again, for me sidewalks is a critical thing we need to invest smartly. Because it disturbs me how many pedestrians get hurt and I don't need more young people and our children to be those victims of seriously bad drivers. And when we get Police that's going to be my thing, Chair. I need them to start tagging and going after bad drivers because we have horrible drivers in this County. And that impacts Safe Routes to School, 2772. My concern with 5490, Traffic Signal Modernization, Chair, is more for Police. I need those signalizations to decrease the amount of time for yellow light. People think it's speed-up time. And then they're all crossing in red. That is unacceptable for me. So, I don't have a problem of making it stricter, lessening it so that they see yellow, they'll start stopping then pressing the brake than the gas pedal. Fifty-five ten, I am in great support of this. I'm glad we're going after Federal dollars. Because I think under the water bill in the, at Congress there's additional monies to help us assist in this area. Regarding 5512, Ms. Yoshimura, Surveying of Molokai and Lanai Roads. Has the Department utilized our global leading GIS 3D software? Because, you know, I'm pretty sure we digitized the County and that part of it is the ability of having those topo since Council has put in extra money to get even finer and detailed aerial photography to assist us in this manner. So, I'm just wondering if you can respond now because I rather put that monies in keeping our software and data updated than giving it to a third party to do work that we've already done.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Member Hokama, I'm going to list each CIP you have questions on --

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --and then we'll ask questions. The reason I allowed the first line of questioning because it was generally about the funds and stuff.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Okay. Got it. Then, thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Then, Chair, my other projects that I would like the ability for Department to eventually respond is 1046, Koukouai Bridge Rehab; 2779, Kalepa Rockfall Repairs; 2309, North South Collector Road, because that's where we might want to do the Kulanihakoi Component as others have mentioned; 5485, again, my concern of sidewalk for pedestrians; 5492, Ohukai Sidewalk Project; 5511, Iolani Street, Loha Street, Makani Road, which is Upcountry, I have a concern about that;

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1066, Kaupakalua Road Project; 5025, Kalana O Maui Project System; 5505, Wailuku Baseyard; 5517, Kalana O Maui; 5518, Emergency Management's Renovation Project; 1018, Waiale Road Improvements; 1919, Waiale Road Improvements; 1945, Central Maui Signal Upgrades; 5499, Onehee Avenue Improvements; 5538, Central Maui Sub-Area Study; CBS-1040, Kahana Nui Bridge Replacement; 2308, Papalaua Street Signal Project; as well as 5509, Lower Honoapiilani Road Erosion Project. Thank you, those are my projects of concern.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay. Now we'll go in order of the CIPs on the summary list. Starting with...oh, did you have a question? Okay. Starting with Member Hokama, Countywide Drainage, CBS-1027, Countywide Drainage Improvements.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you, Chair. With this year's request of 3 million, we supported them with 1.3 this current year, Chair. Again, more I would like to know, again, if the Department can give us the specific project sites that have our top priority.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I'm sorry, Member Hokama, I was just reminded that Member Sinenci also left early that day.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Okay.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: And so, Member Sinenci, the CIPs that you have either questions on or proposed amendments to?

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you, Chair. Just a couple.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo. E kala mai.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Hana District, CBS-5043, Waikakoi Bridge Replacement; Hana District, CBS-2779, Kalepa Rockfall Repairs; Wailuku District Road Improvements, CBS-1018, Waiale Road Improvements at Waiinu Road. And I may have just some general questions about funding and timelines for some of the others. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay, mahalo, Member Sinenci. I'm so sorry, Member Hokama. Back to you.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: No, thank you, I was happy to hear my colleague's projects of, I guess, concern or more information so I'm happy to hear that we kind of in sync on some of them. But under CBS-1027 on Page 786, Chair, again, it's more about getting a little bit more specific of the areas that the Department or Division is looking at regarding the drainage. Because, you know, even Lanai we have our drainage issues and, again, my thing is if we can make the appropriate adjustment. Because for me, Chair, some areas that we are going to retreat smartly, I would hope that we have sufficient setbacks between makai, the kai itself, the ocean, and the aina. That there's enough room from the infrastructure to the water that will allow sufficient time for the land to the best of its ability, to soak in the water instead of allowing sheet flow to enter with siltation into the ocean. So, that is something that if we need a future

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policy decision on setbacks and regarding the SMA zones, this is something I would like the Department to be able to give comment on. Because I think we need to start making some smart hard policy decisions. And that is why I have a concern about this type of projects. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. I also had a question on that one and was hoping to get this item broken out better for now and into the future so that we, as the Council and the community have a better idea of where funding will go for each year.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay. The next one is Government Facilities, CBS-1032, Countywide Facility Building Improvements. Member Molina?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Madam Chair, can you come back to me in a second on that? Yeah? Okay.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes. Absolutely. The next one is also you. Come back to you on that one? On those two? Okay. And then, Countywide Road Improvements...

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Oh, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh, yes?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: If I may ask you to consider sending Department a question under 1032 that Mr. Molina had, I'm just curious about this concern about ADA compliance. If they could give us some specifics of what is the issue and, again, if they can tell us their plan of mitigation or compliance because we see that a lot, ADA, ADA, ADA. And, I don't know if it's because of the age of the facility or new Federal requirements, Chair. But I would have had thought our project team that did the project was smart enough to take care of those concerns for us upfront. Because I'm tired of paying it at the end of a completed project. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. And Member Kama did request that the departments send us over more of that detail. So, that request has been sent.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Okay.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair King?

VICE-CHAIR KING: Yes, thank you. I just wanted to maybe jog Councilmember Molina's memory because I have some notes from...so, there was an item, I guess, from two Councilmembers about putting a proviso to renovate the Council's bathroom --

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR KING: --I guess along with the Mayor's?

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COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yes.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Was that the issue?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: If I may, Madam?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Member Molina?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yeah, thank you. Thank you for refreshing my memory. This kind of caught me off guard a little bit, but --

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Sorry.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: --as I stated on Friday, I know, like, yourself, Chairman King and Mr. Hokama, you guys were both out. You know, we know that bathrooms is really horrible. I'm sorry, I couldn't think of any other words. The urinals, the walls, I don't know when the last...the showers, it's deplorable. So, I just thought it's high time we kind of look at that. So, I don't have an exact dollar figure of what could be put in. But, it's just that it needs some attention so that is why I proposed that. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Molina. And then the second one on CBS-1023 was a proviso for Ulalena Loop, \$100,000.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Right, yeah. That road has been major. You need literally a four-wheel drive. And even that with a four-wheel drive is pretty risky. So, we did, I believe, 2008, 2009, we did put monies in there years ago. But again, this is another consideration. Since that time, of course, over the last whatever 10, 12 years, it's, again, progressively gotten worse. So, that's for consideration of that particular road. That's in the Haiku area in case people are wondering. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Molina. And the next one is Countywide Road Improvements, CBS-1024, Countywide Safety Improvements. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you. Thank you, Chair. Again, on these, my concern has been the shoulder areas of our roadway projects and I would ask the Department to give us a comment on how they're dealing with the areas of right-of-ways and shoulders. I know that for some people they think it's part of their property and so they, interesting what they use our right-of-ways and easements for. So, I need to have the...I would ask the Department to give us some comments on that, especially if we need to make adjustments in the ordinance regarding fines and for violations of inappropriate use of County right-of-ways and easements along our roadways. And then, if it's within the area I see, because we talking about streetlight again, are we, you know, are we going to maintain streetlights where we just pay for the streetlights but everything else is still the utility? I know that the last Administration had asked us to consider whether or not we should consider taking over those utility poles and equipment, which I'm still open to. Because I'm not too sure that utility is really doing the best job possible for our residents. Thank you.

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. And on this item I also have a proviso from Member Sugimura for three flashing lights on Maha Road.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: So, you got that?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Okay. Just...thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay? Mahalo. Okay. Next one is...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Chair?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I wasn't sure where my concerns fall into, whether it's safety improvements or CBS-1035 Traffic Calming.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Right. Did we decide on Friday? I have a note here with a question mark.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yeah. I'm not sure. Because...so, some of it is the flashing crosswalks and then some of those might fall into the safer routes to school because Napili Hau is right next to Maui Preparatory. That's a private school but it's a school. And then, so, Times, the one Lower Honoapiilani Road by Times from what we heard on, at the West District, there's kind of two separate issues: the flashing crosswalks across Times to Kaanapali Shores and then as you continue on there to the highway at night when folks are running across the four lanes with no lighting to the food truck area as well as a little bit more north on that same road. Would that be, do you think, safety improvements or traffic calming?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Perhaps we can get the recommendation from the Department when they're here with us.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay, so that's...

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: We'll just note...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yeah, that's kind of a question, I guess.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I'm not sure which one it would fall under, but that's a concern.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes. Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: As well as Keawe Street. Traffic calming.

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Paltin. Member Sinenci?

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: I'm sorry, what we stay on, 1035? No?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: On CBS-1024.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Oh. Sorry.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: And then, was that part of your comments for 1035 as well?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yeah, so that's why I spoke because I wasn't sure which one it would fall under. But those are, like, the full laundry list of concerns. Keawe, Times, and Napilihau.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Got it. Mahalo, Member Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Member Sinenci, we are now on 1035.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you, Chair. I guess, just a question for the Department because it has come up in my district; the process of applying for speed humps and, you know, what should some of the neighborhoods do if we need...if they want to add one on their street. So, just a question for the Department. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Mahalo, Member Sinenci. Member Molina?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you, Madam Chair. I'll just add, although I'm not the Department, I've had experience with asking the departments. Typically they'll...there's an application form that a representative on the street should fill out and I believe the requirement is 80 percent of the property owners need to sign it and then they submit it back to the Department. But it does...sometimes they have like a one to two-year waiting period. Because I've had personal experience with that on my street as well. So, just as a point of information and I guess the Department can add further clarification. But there is a packet that they like to...the preference is to have someone that lives on the street to be the designated street representative or captain that can go around and get all these signatures. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Molina. Member Sinenci?

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you. Just a follow-up. Is there a price tag to the speed humps to the County for each speed hump? Ms. Yoshimura?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: It'll probably be a question for the Department --

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Oh, okay.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --and it might vary depending on the size of the street and --

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COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Okay.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --if it's a speed hump or a speed table or how much cement is being used.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Or asphalt. Okay. Mahalo, Member Sinenci. Okay. Any other questions? We'll move on to the next CIP and that is under Countywide Road Improvements, CBS-1037, Countywide Sidewalk Improvements. Member Paltin and then Member Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. So, my concern is kind of, you know, like Countywide but just in the areas that they're making the sidewalk improvements, have they cross-referenced with if there's existing deferral agreements that need to be collected on and how they intend to proceed with that matter. Same concern kind of comes up on some of the other CBS down the line. But that was my concern. I know majority of them are in South and West Maui but I'm not sure of the full scope of where and how they plan to collect.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Paltin. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you very much, Chair. My question for the Department is how much time do they need to actually construct the improvements. Because I would say one of their...what they list as the first priority, Market Street to High Street as well as Kaohu Street, I would be very supportive of. I think anytime we have a utility pole or a hydrant in a sidewalk is ridiculous, okay? We hindering pedestrians, not assisting pedestrian safety either because then the people start walking back on the road. You know, so I would be very supportive, but I would like to know if the Department has documented where are the other similar issues Countywide. Because I think that needs to be addressed as a high priority Countywide. Get those obstructions out of the sidewalks. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay. The next...seeing no other questions. The next CIP is Countywide Road Improvements, CBS-2772, Safe Routes to School, State Appropriation. And I have here noted for Member Paltin's question. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, part of this is one, and again, Ms. Yoshimura, I don't know who is representing the Administration at the Capitol, but is this number still a good number for us to plan and start considering how we might match those funds to make the project into construction?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Ms. Yoshimura? Do you have any information on that? Any updates?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Chair, could I respond in writing on that one?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes.

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MS. YOSHIMURA: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Okay, thank you, Chair. And my other question for the Department regarding Safe Routes is what are their plans for pullout areas regarding the schools' drop off, pick up areas? Because, again, it tends to stop traffic. Take Iao School during pick up and drop off. I don't know why we wouldn't just say we would do one-way traffic. Because there's no way you can do a left turn from the Wailuku Gym into Iao because everybody is coming on the other way which does...and they're all doing right turns which has the priority, right? So, I don't know if it's a Police thing or just making smarter traffic planning and traffic flow? Or we need to make an ordinance which is kind of ridiculous. But I need Police to weigh in on this too, Chair, because I just think if we had smarter traffic control flow and say from this hour to this hour all you can do only right turns, I think that might just be a simple solution for this type of issues I have of stopping traffic than keeping traffic flowing. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Chair?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair King?

VICE-CHAIR KING: Thank you. This is...I'm sure there's no money in this amount because it's too small but I think one of the things the Department needs to start planning for is the access to the new high school in Kihei. And the part that's on County land below the underpass that they're supposed to put in as well as the traffic mitigations on the highway from the Kihei Charter School. 'Cause that part is really horrendous. And there are sections below that on County roads that are adding to that traffic. So, this is a...I mean, I know this is State funds but, you know, if they're utilizing State funds, we need to know what their overall plan is for how they're going to mitigate new schools that have been coming online.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair King.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Seeing no other questions --

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Chair?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --we'll move onto...oh. Member Sugimura?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yeah, so, perfect questions and, I guess we want to hear from the Department what their plan is overall. Because it sounds like we're...we need to be updated. Thank you.



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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Sugimura. Okay. Members, it's now 10:30, time for our morning break. Okay. So, if there are no objections, we'll take a 15-minute break. So, please be back in your seats by 10:45. Oh, any objections?

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTIONS.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay, the Economic Development and Budget Committee is now in recess. It's 10:31 on April 15<sup>th</sup>. . . .*(gavel)*. . .

**RECESS: 10:31 a.m.**

**RECONVENE: 10:50 a.m.**

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: . . .*(gavel)*. . . Will the Economic Development and Budget Committee please return to order? It's 10:56 on April 15<sup>th</sup>. We have bare quorum--oh, no, not anymore. . . .*(chuckling)*. . . Mahalo, Member Sugimura. Okay, so we are on...we're reviewing the Public Works CIP program and, Members, as much as possible let's try to focus on the CIPs and the budget component of the CIPs and I know there's a lot of really good policy issues concerning the CIPs, and if we can, you know, either like tighten that up and ask to refer that, you know, component to the subject matter committee and then that's where we can, you know, have a deeper discussion on those policy issues, okay. So, we left off on County--no, is it Countywide? Countywide CBS-5512 Surveying of Molokai and Lanai Roads. Member Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you, Chair. Just one quick comment I had brought up 5510, Chair --

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: --and I...

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh, I skipped that one. Oh. Sorry. Okay, I take that back. Okay. CBS-5510, Assessment of County of Maui Coastal Roads for Effects of Climate Change, Sea Level Rise, and Shoreline Erosion. And I have Members Paltin and Hokama. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I guess, so, my question is what they mean by mitigation and, I think, similar concerns to other Members. Are we retreating or hardening and what is the...how will the decisions be made? And I think this kind of relates a little bit to the last CIP about Kaopala Bay. So, I mean, are we looking at the big picture and then certain roads that are already, like, in distress right now, is that also part of the study? I guess just more information as to, you know, what they're talking about doing and if it's, you know, kind of policy-ish.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Paltin. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you, Chair. My question is as it regards to the appropriation since the upcoming year's budget will be the first appropriation the

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County gives, I'm happy to, you know, support this request but I find it interesting that it already says all work performed by UH staff and I'm going, was there a proposal already put out without the funding? So, and it's already...we've already picked the contractor which is UH without even having the funding proposed? I mean, approved? Because I've been asked by our sister counties in Florida that has already been doing a lot of work in this area. They're happy to share information with what they've been doing with NOAA and their coastal commission. I've been contacted by the California Coastal Commission colleagues of mine, that they're happy to share information with us. So, I just wanted to ask how did we...how...did we already select University of Hawaii would be my question. And if it is still appropriate for us to consider other entities who may be able to assist us, still accomplish the goal because I know there's no state money, it's federal and county money and then we can pick the best agent to represent our interest because I'm really want to support moving this forward, Chair. But again, is there something, Ms. Yoshimura, you can tell us about why UH is already selected?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Ms. Yoshimura?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Chair, on Page 801 of the program book. So, UH did their...or began their assessment on State DOT roads and so they had offered the County to expand their assessment and offered each county to participate in further studies on county roadways. So, rather than, I think we've partnered with the State on other studies as well. Rather than having the County go out and do their own, we'll just jump onto a contract that the State has, or, with UH.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you for that response. Chair, I prefer we have our own contract with our own agent. Because I think the County needs to control our project. I don't want to be a sub to the State contract because I don't trust the State enough to grant them authority of us in this area. So, that's my comment. And again, I would say we need to be open to any vendor that can do the job for us and make us the priority. I don't need the State to say, yeah, Maui, okay but Kauai is higher on the list for us than you guys. No. For our project, we're number one. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Member Sugimura?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you. Good study, I support this. And I also wondered if we could, if...maybe the question for the Department is, are they also going to include, like, the beach erosion problem that we're having at Kahana Bay and Napili and different areas? So, I noticed that it says sea level rise and shoreline erosion and because we're in Public Works, I'm not too sure if we're only talking about roads impact, bridges, and things like that. But I wondered what about the other big problem that we're having with some of the communities like in Kihei and Kaanapali. So, can you ask if it will be also inclusive or if there are plans of doing some...maybe it's the wrong department then. But if a department is planning on looking at all of the beach erosion problems that we're having island-wide. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Sugimura. Okay. Staff, caught all those questions? Okay great. Mahalo. Okay. Next one is now CBS-5512, Surveying of Molokai and Lanai Roads. Member Hokama?

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COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you again, Chair. Again, I am wondering why our work at, with Real Property, and we've given, again, we've given them extra money to get the best possible aerial surveys done for our requirements for real property, which is based on metes and bounds to verify parcels and everything else. Why those surveys that we've done wouldn't be sufficient for Public Works. Also, my question for Public Works is regarding the land surveying. Does this need to also go with them to the State Surveyor for final certification and approval? Because I'm not willing to wait 18 months for the State Surveyor to review it and approve it because it is hampering a lot of projects in this County. Residential, personal residential, County projects because we cannot have the State Surveyor sign off and I believe this will be the same situation as Mr. Sinenci is trying to address with a County Archaeologist. Unless SHPD agrees that our archaeologist can sign off, we're still going to have to wait for a State employee to give us the final approval, and that is where the holdup is, Chair. So, I would ask for the Department to give us some response, please. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Staff, got that? Okay, great. Okay, next one is Hana Drainage, CBS-5043, Waikakoi Bridge Replacement on Page 807. Member Sinenci?

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you, Chair. Yes, it looks like my question was answered by looking at the Details pages where for FY 2020 the 850,000 is for the design stage, and then construction to ensue on, it looks like, 2023. And so it looks two years until the construction they're giving that. I just wanted to, and we've had many conversations in the community when fixing our multitude of bridges. But some of the things, and I don't know if I can proviso these things, but some of the things is to keep the historical character of the bridge including the date of the original bridge when it was built. Keep the cultural name of the bridge and sometimes it refers to the stream that it, you know, transverses. Or maybe certain things about the area. And also if it's going to be a new bridge, you know, we've had some problems with designing the approach onto the bridges to address maybe the turning ratios of some of the buses, the larger buses and emergency vehicles. Another issue with the community is tonnage. You know, tonnage also really...the design really depends on the tonnage. So, most of these are one-lane bridges, but the tonnage just to accommodate, again, the buses and emergency vehicles. So, I did want to proviso, if can, those things into not just Waikakoi but, you know, all County bridges if can, especially in historical areas. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Sinenci. Okay. The next is Hana Road Improvements, Koukouai Bridge Rehabilitation. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you, Chair. Again, the Hana Road has gotten Federal designation as my colleague mentioned earlier regarding the historical cultural importance. My question for the Department is are there areas of...that we can look at regarding projects where we can potentially have cost-savings because either the span, or as Mr. Sinenci's brought up, weight capacity for emergency vehicles like Fire particularly can be addressed? And I bring this up, Chair, because our sister counties in Pennsylvania have joined together where similar bridges are replaced under one project. They got Federal funds, but they were able because of their consolidation,

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had enough savings that the Federal government waived the 20 percent match from the counties. And so, I'm looking at, again, if we can have some enough commonality with our bridge projects for Hana, which I believe is critical for public safety and evacuation, that the Department notify us and hopefully if we can get that 20 percent waiver of the Federal match, then we can put our County funds to other local road projects, Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Staff, got all that? Okay. Okay. Next on the list is Hana Road Improvements, Kalepa Rockfall Repairs. Member Hokama and Member Sinenci.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you, Chair. I've been following this project for many years. I've had many Hana residents in my office. I support this greatly and I'm seeing that by permitting and design we've worked out all, Ms. Yoshimura, issues we had with the State because the State had a component that was factoring into the moving this project forward as well as some private property and easement issues. So, I'm assuming that this is all worked out and we're going to move toward construction by next year. Is that a good understanding on the Committee's part?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Ms. Yoshimura?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Yes, I will confirm with the Department and get back to you on that one.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. And we also have that question for when the Department joins us. Okay. Chair King? Oh, sorry. Member Sinenci and then Chair King.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Real quick, Chair. Yeah, we support this project. It's been an ongoing, as Member Hokama said, through the past years. And the road, this is one of the lower sections of the road where it's highly eroded by sea level rise and large waves so we would like to see this continue. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Sinenci. Chair King?

VICE-CHAIR KING: Chair, my concern is that we seem to be missing one item between the Kalepa Rock Wall...Rockfall Repairs and North South Collector Road. There's supposed to be, according to the list in the front, CBS-5513 which is Drainage Improvements at Maui Meadows Subdivision?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: That's the next one.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Oh, I don't have that in my book. Was that an addition?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh. Ms. Yoshimura?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Chair, there's not going to be a project sheet for that because there's no proposed funding for Fiscal 2020.

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo.

VICE-CHAIR KING: There's no project?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Proposed funding for Fiscal Year 2020 --

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay.

MS. YOSHIMURA: --so the project sheet will not be submitted, although you will see it on the six-year capital.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: So, it looks like that's the case for both 5513 and 2309. Oh no, it has two funds. Scratch that.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay, 5513 is not in there?

MS. YOSHIMURA: So, 5513 is not proposed for funding for Fiscal 2020, but we do have it projected out for between 2021 to 2025.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay, and then you don't...you show zero in for the North South Collector Road, although the page says a million dollars.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: For general bonds.

MS. YOSHIMURA: Okay. So, on CBS-2309, Federal funds for Fiscal Year '20 is zero, but we are putting in a million dollars under general obligation bond. So, there's three separate lines for funding for the North South Collector Road. And for Fiscal Year 2020 it'll just be general obligation bonds.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair King, I want to finish up CBS-2779, Kalepa Rockfall Repairs before --

VICE-CHAIR KING: Oh, I'm sorry, I thought you were done with that one.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --move on to the next one. No. Member Sinenci, okay. And then was there any? So, I have a question for the Department. So, in, for the Kalepa Rockfall Repairs, in Fiscal Year 2019, \$150,000 was allocated to this project for design. My two questions are why hasn't the design consultant already been identified and contracted, and how was the initial funding for \$150,000 arrived at, and now in 2020 we're requesting \$350,000? So, those are my two questions for the Department. Oh, Ms. Yoshimura?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Chair, on your response PW-3 question number two, they, the Department explains the design fees and the design fees exceeded the \$150,000 appropriation and so therefore 350,000 is requested in the 2020 Budget to supplement the Fiscal Year 2019 funds.

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Ms. Yoshimura. Okay. So, I see no other questions. We'll move to the next CIP. Okay, and CBS-5513 did not have funding for Fiscal Year 2020. And we'll move to CBS-2309, North South Collector Road, Namaau Place to Kulanihakoi Street. Chair King --

VICE-CHAIR KING: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --and then Member Hokama.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Thank you, Chair. So, this has been kind of an ongoing phased in but my question is, you've got a million dollars here. It says continue design and processing of environmental documents for North South Collector Road, and then it says construction will include continuation of the Kihei Greenway. So, is that part of that million dollars? Because the million dollars is listed as 750,000 for design, 250,000 for planning and, just, I kind of want to get an idea because this has been, every year it's like I've been hearing for the last couple years is that planning is being completed. So, does this phase include construction or not, you know, that's listed in here? And if it's planning, is this the final amount that you're going to be asking from, for planning and design of that entire North South Collector Road?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes, Ms. Yoshimura, if you have anything to add.

MS. YOSHIMURA: Yeah, Chair. Again on PW-3 question number three, the Department provided a status on the project and the project is currently in design and environmental permitting work is being done. So, for Fiscal Year 2019 the \$500,000, to date, \$23,000 has been encumbered. The Department is reviewing contract amendments and anticipate encumbering the remaining funds in 2019 by June of 2019. And this million dollars that they're requesting will continue the planning and design for...

VICE-CHAIR KING: Yeah. I got that. It says, that's what it says here. But my question is, is that going to be...then is it going to be final, but, after this funding as far as design and planning? Because, you know, I mean, at some point people want to see some construction, right?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Yes. So, they have construction slated for 2022. So, it looks like this will complete the design phase.

VICE-CHAIR KING: So, the 2021 phase, the 200,000 is for what then?

MS. YOSHIMURA: It's slated for acquisition, so they must be having to do some kind of land acquisition or easement.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay. Okay. So, that...so, they haven't done that yet? They're doing design but they haven't acquired the...because I thought they had already gone through that, so...we can ask them when they get here but that's just a concern. Because I think the general understanding in the community is that why are they

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doing design work and planning if they don't have the land. So, you know, I want to make sure it's going to happen. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair King. Staff, got all those questions? Great. Okay, seeing no other questions, we'll move on to the next CIP. Oh, sorry. Member Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR KING: I think...yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: My question for the Department since some of the verbiage of phase 1A and 1B, I know they talked about Kulanihakoi Street, Chair. But it's within the parameters of the land area that Ms. King brought up earlier regarding considerations of acquisition. So, I'm just wondering whether the scope is broad enough since we are looking at a \$14 million project. Is it wide enough for us to include land acquisition as part of the project? Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Did Staff get that? Okay, great. Mahalo, Member Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay, now we'll move on to next CIP which is Kihei Makena Road Improvements, CBS-5485, South Kihei Road Sidewalk Improvements, and that is on Page 813. Member Paltin, then Chair King, and then Member Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thanks, Chair. Just similar concern about the deferral agreements here. If they're aware if any of these properties had deferral agreements and how they intend to collect if so.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Paltin. Chair King and then Member Hokama.

VICE-CHAIR KING: My concern is just that this was...some of these improvements just seem like they just keep staying on the books and they don't get done and it's this one and the Ohukai one. The Ohukai, I know I was told that that was in our current budget. So, mainly just to get an idea of what it means when they put something into the budget like this and what their intention is to actually do the construction, get it done. So, and that's basically my concern on the next one too. Because the next one, you know, I was told last year that it was on the list and then when you look at it, there's no money budgeted for it for this current year. So, what we hear from the community is, you know, I thought that was supposed to be in the budget already. So, I don't know if they're making decisions when they get partway through some of these projects and then decide not to do and put other things as a priority. But it's a little frustrating for our community.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair King.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Member Hokama?

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COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you. Thank you again, Chair. My question for the Department would be for this 5485 as well as the next one I brought up for 5492, I'm happy that we're working on sidewalks. But like West Maui, my question is, how is the Department also addressing crosswalks? It's great we build the sidewalks but if you need to get to the other side, appropriate crosswalks with appropriate signage and traffic stoppage type of information or equipment, I would like to ask the Department if that's already included within the project scope. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay. Seeing no additional questions, we'll move on to the next one. Kihei Makena Road Improvements, CBS-5492, Ohukai Road Sidewalk Improvements. Chair King and Member Hokama.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay, thank you, Chair. That was kind of, I addressed that in my last concern too. But this one in particular has been promised for a couple of years and so I just want to know what their priority is as far as scheduling projects will be so we can get this done finally.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair King.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, thank you again. As the previous project as it approaches close to the South Kihei Road component, again, my concern is appropriate and sufficient amount of crosswalks as part of the sidewalk project. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And my concern, again, is deferral agreements.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay, mahalo, Member Paltin. Okay, seeing no additional questions, we'll move on to the next CIP which is Kihei Makena Road Improvements, CBS-5515. Member Paltin and Chair King.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: So, my concern again, is deferral agreements.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: And this is the South Kihei Road Pavement Rehabilitation. Mahalo...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yeah, question if there's...there are --

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Deferral agreements?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: --deferral agreements and if so, how they intend to collect.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Got it. Okay, mahalo, Member Paltin. Chair King?



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VICE-CHAIR KING: Chair, yeah, my concern with...I know they've done some repaving on South Kihei Road so I just kind of wanted to find out what their overall plan is because if they just keep coming back in and doing sections at a time rather than, you know, I mean, it just seems like it's taking a lot longer and is more expensive. But maybe it's...maybe there's a reason they do it that way. So, we've seen some areas that've been repaved and everyone's very happy about that. But then, you know, I just wanted to see what their plan was for getting things done as efficiently as possible.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair King. Okay, before we move to the next district, Chair King, you made a comment about the Kulanihakoi Bridge, it not being in here. I think Member Hokama may have suggested that it would fit into CBS-2309? Was that...is that correct?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: I'm asking if the, yeah, the project parameter is wide enough, since we're appropriating, like I said, \$14 million, if that was part of...we can add the, another component which would be land acquisition and that we would acquire it for, of course, County easement and right-of-ways. But I think I would like to protect that drainage. That part of our natural drainage system that starts from way up mauka, Kula area, and goes all the way makai. So, I'm just wondering if we can approach it from that option, Chair. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Chair?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Chair King?

VICE-CHAIR KING: I can probably fill that in because I did talk to Public Works before they stopped talking to us, and directly. But they were working...the way they were working on this was not something that the public wanted and it was a lot of money. The suggestion was made to do a prefab bridge for about a quarter of the cost that they had originally intended. And they went ahead with the way they were going to do it which was basically expanding the culverts. But they got to the last permit and they were not able to get it so the project just completely died at that point. And I've been told that they don't want to go ahead and put it back in until they get the master drainage plan approved because it's been kind of hanging out there. So, I don't know where to go from there. I mean, that's why, we, you know, I'm glad we're going to have the departments because at some point they're...you make a commitment to do something like that because of a very important potential for massive flooding in that area and a lot of damage and then you set it aside because, what, you didn't listen to the community and then what you decided to do didn't work. And that's where we're at today.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo...

VICE-CHAIR KING: So, I think it was part of the master...it was supposed to be a separate project. It was always in this budget under, as a separate project. And now it's gone.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Mahalo, Chair King.

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VICE-CHAIR KING: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay, moving on to the next CIP under Makawao, Pukalani, Kula, CBS-3194, Pukalani Terrace Subdivision Pavement Reconstruction. Member Sugimura?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Glad to see this here. It's badly needed and the...I heard over the last two years from the Pukalani community about the roads there. So, I support this wholeheartedly. I wonder if that's enough money but I look forward to hearing from the Department their plans.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. So, you just, you want more details on what this project entails?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: What the street and when they're going to start it. Just details, but let's do this. I appreciate it a lot.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Members, we have about 30 more minutes before 12:00. I mean, we can go over 12:00 too, but we have quite a number of CIPs that we're going to be reviewing so if you could really try hard to keep our comments limited to our questions and proposed amendments. And I'm really happy that you, you know, that everyone, like, you know, that we support it. But try to limit it as much as possible. Okay. So, we'll get the timeline and more details on it. Okay. The next one is CBS-5511, Iolani Street, Loha Street, Iolani Street, and Makani Road Pavement Rehabilitation. Member Sugimura and Member Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: I believe that we brought this up. And I brought this up earlier with the concern for Makani Road. I think Member Molina and I heard at the community association meeting there's concerns about the street and being sure that it's safe and gets updated. So, this is badly needed. If I could, if I go back to the previous one, April 8<sup>th</sup> letter, Public Works – they answered my question. I just turned the page, there's the answer, so --

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay, great.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: --it's April 8<sup>th</sup> and it's PW-3.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: PW-3.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: So, you can take it off of question.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: They even prioritized it.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh good.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: They read my mind.

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay, so it was on PW-3.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yeah.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Do you know if your question for CBS-5511 is also on PW-3?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: I don't see it here. But, I bet you they answered. I'm fine.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Mahalo, Member Sugimura. Okay, Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, thank you. Quickly regarding this project, my question would be for the Department if they've also consulted with Water Department and Fire because I've had residents up in that area contact me about concern one, they have a issue with Fire and the hydrants. And so, if that is going to be a project, I hope it's coordinated so once we do the rehab resurfacing, the other department doesn't go in and cut up the road and spend more money from our various funds. So, my question is if they've already had some coordination and discussion on the project and we can take care of multiple department concerns at one time. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay. Seeing no other questions, we'll move on to the next CIP and that is Paia, Haiku Road Improvements, CBS-11, oh I'm sorry, 1066, Kaupakalua Road Pavement Reconstruction. And that is on Page 821. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chairman, I support this project that I believe Mr. Molina's constituency has continually asked us to move forward. My question would be, again, with this project are we also going to take care the appropriate shoulder maintenance requirements and is some of the funding also going to address appropriate tree control or tree trimming or tree removal regarding the project area scope? Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay, seeing no other questions we'll move on to the next CIP which is Wailuku, Kahului Government Facility, CBS-5025, Kalana O Maui Fire Sprinkler System Phase 2. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, my question is again, yeah, it's talking about our floor regarding the sprinkler, but is that the only deficiency of this building? If there's others, why wouldn't the Department approach it from a building-wide approach instead of just a specific floor? Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Ms. Yoshimura?

MS. YOSHIMURA: Chair, I believe the sprinkler system has been completed on the other floors. It's just here in the Chamber and on the 8<sup>th</sup> floor that I think the timing and the use of the chamber kind of prevented this project from moving forward in the past.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Okay.

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Then my follow up is, then I'm assuming, Chair, that the previous project has taken care of all the other things that usually when they wait for a Council project regarding any kind of reconfiguration or requirements regarding backflow requirements, safety issues, and ADA. Because just to redo, I believe, this component, we had to do the whole thing for the whole building. Okay? The other departments did their projects but they waited until Council's project and then we paid from Council budget all the other building requirements that in my opinion was the departments' responsibility. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay. Okay? Next CIP is CBS-5518. That's on Page...oops...Emergency Management Office Renovation. Oh, no sorry, I skipped. CBS-5505, Wailuku Baseyard Wash Rack, and that is on Page 830. Member Paltin and Member Hokama. Sorry, that was Member Kama.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. I don't think it was mine.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, this is kind of befuddling for me. I don't know what we're doing currently and are we in violation of certain State or Federal requirements that now all of a sudden this wash rack becomes a big deal for us including...and my thing is, again, is this the smartest place for us to put something that we may want to choose another more smart site to take care of all equipment including construction as well as other vehicles. Police has a lot of vehicles, Fire. So, is this a smart site being next to the school? Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay, seeing no other questions, we'll move to the next CIP which is CBS-5517, Kalana O Maui Second Floor Deck Repair Above Emergency Management Agency and that is on Page 832. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Again, Chair. Is this a emergency project because if it is I don't know why we're not already doing it under safety concerns? But, again, Chair, I just find it interesting how they are proposing projects. I have issues with this one and I would like the Department to come forward and tell us why they're approaching it from this manner. Because if it's a safety issue, they should be doing the corrective work now. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay. Member Sugimura?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: So, question.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yeah, so are they planning on moving the Emergency Management site? Oh, next budget? Okay.

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Okay, we'll move to the next project which is CBS-5518, Emergency Management Office Renovation. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, thank you. In my discussions with this component of Emergency Response, Chair, I believe that the existing site has definitely been...served its purpose. I would say in the future we should be smarter and put the appropriate amount of funding and it's going to be more than 500,000, I understand that. But we should pick a better site that is secured, can take care of all of our informational requirements whether it be satellite information, digital information, utilization of our real property program, that has a GIS three-dimensional already completed, and that the appropriate amount of emergency response officials can fit all in one smart setting with appropriate components of screens, communication devices, and that the current site...again, Chair, my thing is we need a emergency management area not a shelter. That's another component but this is not about one shelter, this is about how we are going to approach disasters and emergencies and I am not supportive of spending what I consider dumb money just for a little Band-Aid when we have to redo it. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay, Members, no other questions? Moving to the next one, Wailuku, Kahului Road Improvements, CBS-1018, Waiale Road Improvements at Wailinu [sic] Road. And that's on Page 836. Member Hokama and Member Sinenci.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Again, I know Corporation Counsel was working with Planning on conditions of zoning of previous Council approvals and I ask that, Chair, if you would follow up with a correspondence to Planning as well as Public Works on where they are with their final response back to this Council regarding compliance of conditions of zoning in the area and if it is already complied with, fine. If it is not part of our zoning requirement, then I'm happy to support it through County funds to make it happen. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Member Sinenci?

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you, Chair. My question to the Department was just which section of the project is for acquisition, up for acquisition at the site?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Sinenci. Staff, did you get that question? Okay. Member Sugimura?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yeah. So, I think this is the intersection that in Member Lee's Committee they're talking about doing a roundabout? Right? I think this is...this is not the area?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .(inaudible). . .

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Oh. Maui Lani also, but by the intersection where T.J. Gomes is and the cemetery there, Public Works came before us and said they were thinking of doing a roundabout here. I mean. And it was a future thought, no plan but I wonder if this is the intersection.

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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. We'll find out from the Department.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Okay. The last four CIPs--thank you, Members, for being very concise--is for Member Hokama, Wailuku, Kahului Road Improvements, CBS-1919 Waiale Road Improvements, Kaohu Street to Wainu Road.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Again, Chair, this would also be my comments as I stated earlier for Planning to work with Public Works and Corp. Counsel to give us a final determination on what areas is part of the zoning compliance issues and what is not. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay. The next one is CBS-1945, Central Maui Signal Upgrades. Member Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, again, one of the things for me to deal with are bad drivers is to make the appropriate adjustments to timing of our signalization. And I would ask the appropriate department, whether it be Public Works, Transportation, or Police; the ability for us to reduce the amount of time for yellow and make, again, people press brakes than gas pedals. Because it's pretty sad to see how many cars go through red lights. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Chair?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair King?

VICE-CHAIR KING: Well, that one's not in here either. It looks like it's --

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yeah, that one doesn't have funding for Fiscal Year 2020.

VICE-CHAIR KING: --zero, so it's not really...it doesn't have the page.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: And the next one too that was on the list. So, the next one is CBS-5499, Onehee Avenue Improvements. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: As I understand it and have driven this, this is part of a residential area. My concern, again, is ability of our people to cross the street or this avenue appropriately, especially by the park area. So my question is, again, how is the Department looking at providing appropriate crosswalks over this avenue? Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay, last one. Oh no, sorry, there's a whole other page. Okay, this is not the last one. There's a few more after this. Okay. Last one on this page. CBS-5538, Central Maui Subarea Transportation Study. Member Hokama?

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COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, again, is this going to be our project as we are now being informed regarding the Wailuku-Kahului corridor is my question. If it is then I have my way of approaching how we might want to implement this and ask, what to ask the study to gather as far as information. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay, seeing no other questions. Okay the last district is West Maui. West Maui Drainage, CBS-2315, Napili 5/4 [sic] Culvert at Lower Honoapiilani Road. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you. So, couple of concerns. I'm supportive but wondering about the deferral agreements, again, and also, you know, the anticipated life is 40 years and this is kind of in the shoreline area. Not right at the shoreline but close enough. So, I guess, policy overall, like, kind of thing.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Paltin. Next one is West Maui Road Improvements, CBS-1040, Kahana Nui Bridge Replacement. Member Paltin and then Member Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: So, when we had questioned former Director Goode, phase four was deferral agreements and so wondering how that's going to factor into this. And I guess same thing, you know, this is more close to the shoreline and the anticipated life is 30 years and so, you know, just wondering on how that factors in with sea-level rise.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Paltin. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, my question again, since I cannot recall a lot of things in my advanced aging, but what is insufficient hydraulic capacity so that we can explain to our constituents upon request. And whether or not there are any similarities or areas that we can consider with other projects to get appropriate savings. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ; Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay. Next one is CBS-2308, Papalua Street Traffic Signal Improvements at Wainee Street. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you, Chair. Quickly, it's my same concern regarding traffic signalization improvements to make the appropriate adjustments to reduce the bad driving. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Okay. Last one. For real kind. Okay. West Maui Road Improvements, CBS-5509, Lower Honoapiilani Road Erosion at Kaupala Bay, oh Kaopala Bay. Member Paltin and Member Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: So, I'm supportive, you know, just how it ties into that Countywide assessment of all the streets and, you know, realistically this is kind of already getting to be a managed retreat area. I think that they did approve some type of sandbag for now. But kind of looking at what is the timeline and things because this is the water and the sewer line is like less than two feet from the edge and, you

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know, with the way the swells have been going and whatnot, time is of the essence here. So, is that enough money?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Paltin. Member Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, thank you. I'm hoping the departments will be able to show us, Chair, how in approaching this project regarding, yeah, because the description is also regarding options on managed retreats. How far they are looking at with the retreat. How far mauka they're looking at. Because, again, I believe if we do smart planning I believe that some of the mitigation can happen by allowing the land to be able to suck in...I don't know...I guess that's not the word. But allow the waters to go into the land instead of...my issue is the sheet flow and siltation issues into the ocean, Chair. So, if part of managed retreat is considering all of these things then, you know, maybe we need to go another 100 yards further mauka to allow the natural land and soil to absorb that water then I'm happy to look at it from that perspective. Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And, sorry, I forgot to...left out, if they are coordinating with Water and Wastewater and the culvert right next to this a little bit more north of this area is very small for the amount of...the volume of water being let out from the basin up mauka. So, I'm not sure what can be done about it. I know the two houses, I think it's the Pitzer's and—I forget the guy—Igor, are just right up to the culvert coming out and it's like maybe two feet but the volume coming down is a lot. And there's like an outlet right there that the water just, it looks like throwing up water from the land or something; but I don't know if they can also study that as part of it. The space if it's going to...if that affects the erosion too. Like, how the water comes out of that culvert, is it affecting the bay eroding? Because I...it looks like it is, just from a layperson's standpoint.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Mahalo, Member Paltin. Okay. That was all the CIPs for Public Works and so we have completed our review of all the CIPs and tomorrow we'll be moving into the review of the operations budgets. Okay? So, tonight we'll be at the Molokai District Meeting at Mitchell Pauole Center, six o'clock. Tomorrow, therefore, we'll begin at 11:30 to allow Members and Staff to get back to Maui and we'll kick off the workday that have potential for going later than 5:00 PM, so please plan accordingly. And since we are starting at 11:30, we won't break until 2:30. So, please either get a really big breakfast or an early lunch to hold you over until 2:30 because we have a late start time.

**ACTION: DEFER pending further discussion.**

VICE-CHAIR KING: We might be having lunch at our desk.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Can you give us a department? An order of departments?



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CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes. Oh, where did my calendar go. Okay, it's going to be...Ms. Matthews? I don't have my calendar in front of me at this moment.

MS. MATTHEWS: Yes, Madam Chair. The schedule for tomorrow, Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> is the Department of Parks and Recreation, Department of Water Supply, Department of Management, Department of Personnel Services, Office of the Mayor excluding Office of Economic Development, Fire and Public Safety, Office of the Auditor --

VICE-CHAIR KING: Can you go a little bit slower?

MS. MATTHEWS: Yes. Sorry.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Trying to write this down.

MS. MATTHEWS: Yes. And this, the updated...okay, I'll start over. Parks and Recreation, Water Supply, Department of Management, Department of Personnel Services, Office of the Mayor excluding Office of Economic Development, Department of Fire and Public Safety, County Auditor, Office of Council Services, Office of the County Clerk.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Do Members have this calendar?

MS. MATTHEWS: Chair, this calendar is revised. The revisions for Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, the revisions are including adding Fire and Public Safety, per their request to be taken off of the 18<sup>th</sup> due to the Commission meeting, adding Office of the County Auditor, Office of Council Services, and County Clerk. But this calendar will be...this revised calendar will be provided to the Members.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. So...

VICE-CHAIR KING: Tomorrow? Or, when?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: By end of day.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Okay.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yeah, Ms. Matthews?

MS. MATTHEWS: Yes. And the schedule remains unchanged for April the 17<sup>th</sup> except for the ending time.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Member Sugimura?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: So, on the 18<sup>th</sup>, can you go over the 18<sup>th</sup>, which is Thursday? I think I heard Liquor was going to...my calendar, I guess, is not the updated one. But what...can you go over the 18<sup>th</sup>, please?

MS. MATTHEWS: Yes, the calendar remains unchanged for April the 17<sup>th</sup>.

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COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yes.

MS. MATTHEWS: On Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> it is Department of Environmental Management, Department of Housing and Human Concerns, the Prosecuting Attorney, and the Office of Economic Development.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thursday is what...

MS. MATTHEWS: Thursday, deliberations will take place on Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> for Department of Police, Department of Planning, Department of Public Works, Department of Transportation, Liquor Control, Corporation Counsel, Emergency Management Agency, and Department of Finance.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Ms. Matthews.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you.

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. And we'll get the calendar, the updated calendar out to the Members by the end of the day. Okay. So, we'll begin our operations review tomorrow and complete it before Friday so that we can all have a holiday. Please prepare any provisos you would like to add that do not change the budget total as I will be requesting them to be submitted in writing by close of business day on Wednesday. And as Ms. Matthews alluded to, because we'll now have the departments on the floor with us and we'll be asking questions, the trade-off that the Members agreed to was that we would have a later working day; past 5:00 because we can't have both.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Who agreed to that?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. So, if there's no other questions, I will see you all on Molokai tonight. The meeting starts at 6:00 at Mitchell Pauole.

VICE-CHAIR KING: Is there dinner?

CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: After I adjourn. Okay? Okay, if there's no objections, I'll adjourn. It's 11:54 on April 15<sup>th</sup>, the Economic Development and Budget Committee is now adjourned.

**ADJOURN: 11:54 a.m.**

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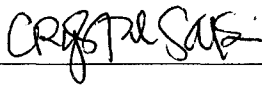
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CERTIFICATE

I, Crystal Sakai, hereby certify that the foregoing represents to the best of my ability, a true and correct transcript of the proceedings. I further certify that I am not in any way concerned with the cause.

DATED the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019, in Kahului, Hawaii

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "CRYSTAL SAKAI", is written over a horizontal line.

Crystal Sakai