



COST OF GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

101 Aupuni Street, Suite 325, Hilo, Hawai'i 96720

A G E N D A

Thursday, March 16, 2006 – 10:00 a.m.
Conference Room – Department of Liquor Control
101 Aupuni Street, Suite 230
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MARCH 2, 2006, MEETING**
- 3. STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Including:

- a. Comm. No. 2006-04: Letter to Francis Akamine from Mayor Kim, and attaching Francis Akamine's 2/16/06 letter, regarding the Department of Water Supply's enclosure of envelopes for payment with customers who have automatic bill payment.
- b. Comm. No. 2006-05: Transmittal from Andrew Levin to COGC of a 10/12/05 letter from Jerry Merrill offering suggestions for the COGC.

- 4. APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA**
(if necessary) [NOTE: Addendum requires 2/3 (Roll Call) Vote]
- 5. PRESENTATION BY FINANCE DEPARTMENT REGARDING LAND OWNED BY COUNTY OF HAWAI'I**

Includes question and answer session for commission members regarding availability/status of land for sale; feasibility of selling County land; costs involved and other related issues

- 6. DISCUSSION ON REPONSES RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENTS REGARDING PREVIOUS COGC RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN REPORT**

Including:

- a. Comm. No. 2006-02: Memo to various department heads from Dixie Kaetsu, requesting a status report on how the previous COGC recommendations have been implemented.

- b. Comm. No. 2006-03: Memo to Connie Kiriu from Dixie Kaetsu, inviting her to provide a status report on the implementation of the prior COGC recommendations.
- c. Comm. No. 2006-06: Office of Aging Report dated February 24, 2006, to the Status of Recommendations contained in the Cost of Government Commission Report dated February 20, 2003.
- d. Comm. No. 2006-07: Letter dated February 27, 2006 to Honorable Dixie Kaetsu from Lincoln Ashida, Corporation Counsel re: Office of the Corporation Counsel Report to recommendations by the 2002 Cost of Government Commission.
- e. Comm. No. 2006-08: Memorandum dated March 1, 2006, from Constance Kiriu to the Cost of Government Commission re: Office of the County Clerk-Council Status Report.
- f. Comm. No. 2006-09: Department of Finance Status Report dated February 24, 2006, to the Status Recommendations contained in the Cost of Government Commission Report dated February 20, 2003.
- g. Comm. No. 2006-010: Fire Department Status Report to the Cost of Government Commission Recommendations.
- h. Comm. No. 2006-011: Memorandum dated March 1, 2006, to Dixie Kaetsu from Edwin S. Taira, Housing Administrator re: Cost of Government Commission Status Report.
- i. Comm. No. 2006-012: Cost of Government Recommendations prepared by Mass Transit
- j. Comm. No. 2006-013: Letter dated March 17, 2003, to Joel Gimpel, Chair from Patricia Engelhard, Director of Parks and Recreation re: Results of Departmental Review of the Commission.

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION REGARDING APPROACH TO TAKE TO TIMELY ACCOMPLISH MANDATE OF THE COST OF GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

Includes discussion/action on the methodology and sequence of analyzing the departments/boards/commissions to determine what information is needed and how to gain that information.

8. DISCUSSION REGARDING EACH COMMISSION MEMBERS VIEW ON THE CONCEPT OF PRIVATIZATION

9. DISCUSSION/DECISION ON FUTURE MEETING TIMES/ DATES/ AND PLACES

10. DISCUSSION ON SETTING A CAP ON LENGTH OF MEETINGS

11. DISCUSSION OF ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON NEXT AGENDA

12. STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting of the Cost of Government Commission is scheduled for Monday, April 3, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of Liquor Conference Room at the Hilo Lagoon Centre, 101 Aupuni Street, Suite 230, Hilo, Hawai'i.

14. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: If you require an accommodation or auxiliary aid and/or services to participate in this meeting (i.e., sign language interpreter, large print, etc.) please call 961-8304, x104.

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