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**HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
46th Session**

DATE: November 19, 2002 (Tuesday)
PLACE: Councilroom
TIME: 10:00 a.m.

(Note: Please turn cell phones, pagers and other mobile communication devices on silent mode.)

CALL TO ORDER

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON COMMS. 804 AND 805

REFERRALS

Comm. 804: RENOMINATION OF KAREN T. MAEDO AND NEIL BRAZIER TO THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FIRE COMMISSION
From Mayor Harry Kim, dated November 1, 2002, submitting for confirmation the renomination of the following individuals to the County of Hawai'i Fire Commission:

Karen T. Maedo of Council District 3 is a lifelong resident of Hawai'i and is not a member of any political party.

Neil Brazier of Council District 5 is a 34-year resident of Hawai'i and is not affiliated with any political party.

If confirmed, they will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2007.

Recommend confirmation of the re-appointments of Karen T. Maedo and Neil Brazier to the County of Hawai'i Fire Commission

Comm. 805: APPOINTMENT OF FLORENCE "BETSY" M. MITCHELL AND PAUL M. DE SILVA TO THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I POLICE COMMISSION
From Mayor Harry Kim, dated October 31, 2002, submitting for confirmation names of the following individuals to serve on the County of Hawai'i Police Commission:

Ms. Florence "Betsy" M. Mitchell of Council District 6 is a lifelong resident of Hawai'i. Currently retired from the Blood Bank of Hawai'i after 25 years of service, Ms. Mitchell states she is a member of the Republican Party. If confirmed, she will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2007, replacing Mr. Daniel Kama, whose term will expire December 31, 2002.

Mr. Paul M. de Silva of Council District 3 is a lifelong resident of Hawai'i. A retired teacher, judge and attorney, Mr. de Silva states he is not affiliated with any political party. If confirmed, he will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2007, replacing Wilfred Okabe, whose term expires December 31, 2002.

Recommend confirmation of the appointments of Florence "Betsy" M. Mitchell and Paul M. de Silva to the County of Hawai'i Police Commission.

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

REFERRALS

Comm. 50.34: TRANSFER OF FUNDS - OCTOBER 16 - 31, 2002
Close file From Controller Deanna Sako, dated November 6, 2002, transmitting a Report of Transfers Authorized showing transfers made from October 16 through October 31, 2002, and copies of the approved transfer forms.

Comm. 808:
(Res. 263-02) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM AT&T WIRELESS SERVICES, INC., PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XIII, SECTION 13-12, HAWAI'I COUNTY CHARTER, FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTION OF A REPLACEMENT RADIO SYSTEM FOR THE HAWAI'I COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT
From Martha A. Rodillas, Private Secretary to Lincoln S.T. Ashida, Corporation Counsel, dated November 6, 2002, transmitting the above resolution. A copy of the agreement is attached to the resolution as Exhibit "1."
Close file on Comm. 808 and recommend adoption of Res. 263-02

- Comm. 809: DONATIONS OF FOUR (4) COMPUTERS (TOTAL ESTIMATED VALUE OF \$1,400) TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION, FOR PUBLIC USE AT NA‘ALEHU NUTRITION CENTER, BY THE NA‘ALEHU MAIN STREET; AND \$30.00 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION KONA COMMUNITY CENTER, TO COVER ELECTRICITY EXPENSES, BY PAT M. AEDER
 From Finance Director William Takaba, dated November 4, 2002, requesting the Council's approval of the above donations.
Recommend acceptance of the donations to the Department of Parks & Recreation of four (4) computers (total estimated value of \$1,400) to the Na‘alehu Nutrition Center, and \$30 to the Kona Community Center, by Pat M. Aeder
- Comm. 811: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 16, OF THE HAWAI‘I COUNTY CODE 1983 (1995 EDITION) RELATING TO TRAVEL AND OTHER EXPENSES (increases meal allowance for nonovernight travel to \$5.00 for breakfast, \$8.00 for lunch and \$15.00 for dinner)
 (Bill 281)
 From Finance Director William Takaba, dated November 6, 2002, transmitting the above bill. Subsection 2-96(a) of the Hawai‘i County Code requires that the meal allowance (including tax and tip) for nonovernight travel, except as modified in subsection 2-98(b), shall be \$4.00 for breakfast, \$5.00 for lunch, and \$10.00 for dinner. This subsection has not been amended since 1981. These increases are more reflective of current meal prices on the Big Island.
Close file on Comm. 811 and forward Bill 281 to Council with a negative recommendation
- Comm. 812: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 02-76, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI‘I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2003 (by appropriating an additional \$140,000 into the Department of Public Works Building Division's Repair and Maintenance accounts)
 (Bill 282)
 From Finance Director William Takaba, dated November 4, 2002, transmitting the above bill. A revenue surplus, anticipated in building, electrical, and plumbing permits, will provide for the increases of \$60,000 in their OCE account and \$80,000 in their equipment account.
Close file on Comm. 812 and recommend passage of Bill 282 on first reading
- Comm. 813: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, PURSUANT TO HRS 46-7, FOR A RURAL FIRE ASSISTANCE GRANT; and
 (Res. 265-02)
PAT M. AEDER
Close file on Comm. 813 and recommend adoption of Res. 265-02
(Note, Bill 283, also related to Comm. 813, continues on the next page.)

(Bill 283) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 02-76, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2003 (by appropriating a \$5,000 Rural Fire Assistance Grant)

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated November 4, 2002, transmitting the above resolution and bill. The U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, is providing a \$5,000 Rural Fire Assistance Grant to the Hawai'i County Fire Department for wildland fire training and equipment purchase. This should benefit the public by having reduced fire loss, increased firefighter safety and training, and the reduction of occurrence and intensity of wildland fires with the urban interface.

Recommend passage of Bill 283 on first reading

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC/ADJOURNMENT

The meeting place is accessible for persons with physical disabilities. Persons who need special accommodations to attend this meeting should call 961-8245 by November 15, 2002. Persons using TDDs may call 961-8521.

(Copies of this agenda and the communications are posted and filed at the County Clerk's Office, 25 Aupuni St., Hilo; the Office of the Mayor, 75-5706 Kuakini Highway, Suite 103, Kailua-Kona; and the Kona Councilmembers' Office, 77-6399 Nalani St., Suite 104, Kailua-Kona. For further information, please call 961-8245. Those wishing to testify, please register with the County Clerk's staff prior to the convening of the meeting. If possible, submit fifteen (15) written copies of the testimony to staff prior to the convening of the meeting.)

VIEWING OF MEETINGS ON GOVERNMENT ACCESS TELEVISION - Channel 52 (Hilo/Kona)
Public Works & Intergovernmental Relations Committee and Finance Committee meetings - Tuesdays, November 26 and December 3, 2002, at 8:30 p.m.; Parks & Environmental Management Committee, Human Services & Economic Development Committee and Planning Committee meetings - Thursdays, November 28 and December 5, 2002, at 8:30 p.m.; and all five Committee meetings - Sunday, December 8, 2002, at 10:30 a.m.