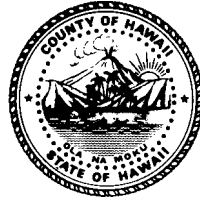


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**HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
24th Session**

DATE: November 18, 2003 (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 ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

REFERRALS

Comm. 402: ANNUAL REPORT - REAL PROPERTY TAX BOARD OF REVIEW
From Real Property Tax Board of Review Chairman David Powell, dated October 31, 2003, transmitting the above report as required by Hawai'i County Code Chapter 19, along with a copy of the complaints received from the taxpayers for 2003.

Close file.

Comm. 404:
(Res. 125-03) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, PURSUANT TO HRS 46-7, FOR A PUNA REGIONAL CIRCULATION PLAN GRANT; and

Recommends adoption of Res. 125-03.

(Bill 179) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 03-91, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2004 (by appropriating a \$120,000 Puna Regional Circulation Plan Grant)
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated October 29, 2003, transmitting the above resolution and bill. The State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation, through its State Planning & Research (SPR) Program, has authorized a grant to the County of Hawai'i for the preparation of the Puna Regional Circulation Plan. These funds, derived from the Federal Highway Administration, will be used to develop a long-range regional transportation circulation plan for the Puna region, the most

rapidly growing district in our County.

Recommends passage of Bill 179 on first reading.

Comm. 405:
(Bill 180) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 03-91, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2004 (by appropriating an additional \$8,352 to the Elderly Activities Division's Coordinated Services Program for the Elderly (CSE) Purchase of Services account)

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated October 29, 2003, transmitting the above bill. The State of Hawai'i Department of Human Services has increased the Chore Agreement for the County of Hawai'i. These funds will supplement the current salaries and wages budget of CSE and enable the staff to provide in-home chore services to an increased number of disabled/older adults.

Recommends passage of Bill 180 on first reading.

Comm. 408: DONATION OF A WASHER AND DRYER (ESTIMATED TOTAL VALUE OF \$600) TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION'S PANA'EWA RAINFOREST ZOO (donated by the Friends of the Zoo; Jean Curtis, President) From Finance Director William Takaba, dated November 3, 2003, requesting the Council's acceptance of the above donation, which will be placed at the Zoo Service Building to wash towels and bedding material used when injured or sick animals are housed in the service area.

Recommends acceptance of the donation of a washer and dryer and that a letter of appreciation be sent to the Friends of the Zoo, Jean Curtis, President.

Comm. 411:
(Res. 126-03) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, PURSUANT TO HRS 46-7, FOR A RURAL PARATRANSIT SYSTEM STUDY GRANT; and

Recommends adoption of Res. 126-03.

(Bill 181) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 03-91, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2004 (by appropriating a \$100,000 Rural Paratransit System Study Grant)

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated November 3, 2003, transmitting the above resolution and bill. The State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation, through its State Planning & Research (SPR) Program, has authorized the subject grant for the Puna and Kona districts. A paratransit system includes public and private mass transportation in the spectrum between the private automobiles and conventional transit, and includes modes that are demand responsive and share rides. These funds are derived from the Federal Highway Administration.

Recommends passage of Bill 181 on first reading.

Comm. 412: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR TO ENTER
(Res. 127-03) INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION, PURSUANT TO HRS 46-7, FOR THE HAWAI'I COUNTY
FIRE DEPARTMENT'S "JAWS OF LIFE" PROJECT; and

Recommends adoption of Res. 127-03.

(Bill 182) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 03-91, AS AMENDED, THE
OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2004 (by appropriating a \$44,000 "Jaws of Life" Project
grant)

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated November 4, 2003, transmitting the
above resolution and bill. The State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation has
authorized the subject grant with the goal of reducing the number of deaths and
complications from serious injuries, resulting from motor vehicle accidents, by
equipping fire crews with the tools to extricate pinned vehicle occupants faster than
is currently done. The grant funds will be used to purchase power extrication tools,
commonly called the "Jaws of Life", and have them assigned to the Kaumana and
Kawailani Fire units.

Recommends passage of Bill 182 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 14, 2003**. 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)
Human Services & Economic Development Committee and Finance Committee meetings - Tuesdays,
November 25 and December 2, 2003, at 8:30 p.m.; and Parks & Environmental Management
Committee - Thursdays, November 27 and December 4, 2003, at 8:30 p.m. All three Committee
meetings - Sunday, December 7, 2003, at 10:30 a.m.