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**HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
42nd Session**

DATE: August 17, 2004 (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. 8.35: TRANSFER OF FUNDS - JULY 16-31, 2004
Close file From Controller Deanna Sako, dated August 4, 2004, transmitting a Report of Transfers Authorized showing transfers made from July 16 through 31, 2004, and copies of the approved transfer forms. This report shows transfers relating to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004.

Comm. 12.21: MARIJUANA ERADICATION MISSION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2004
Close file From Police Chief Lawrence K. Mahuna, dated July 13, 2004, transmitting the above report of missions conducted on June 8-9, and 28-30, 2004, in East Hawai'i, and June 1-2, 2004, in West Hawai'i, as required by Res. 46-01. The report indicates the number of plants eradicated and complaints that were received from the public.

Comm. 111.5: CAPITAL PROJECTS STATUS REPORT AS OF JUNE 30, 2004 - PRELIMINARY
Close file From Controller Deanna Sako, dated August 4, 2004, transmitting the above report. The projects are grouped by Council district.

Comm. 718:
(Res. 220-04) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE OF BAY CLINIC'S HAWAI'I COUNTY YOUTH ANTI-DRUG FUND COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM AWARD OF \$1,000 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION; and

Recommend adoption of Res. 220-04

(Bill 307) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 04-74, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2005 (by appropriating \$1,000 to the Youth Anti-Drug Community Grant account)

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated August 3, 2004, transmitting the above resolution and bill. The Bay Clinic, through its Hawai'i County Anti-Drug Fund Community Grants Program, has awarded \$1,000 to the Department of Parks and Recreation. These funds will be used to defray costs incurred by the Recreation Division's Honoka'a Summer Fun Youth Camp. This camp provided an opportunity for youngsters to experience camping and drug awareness education in a recreational environment.

Recommend passage of Bill 307 on first reading

Comm. 719:
(Res. 221-04) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION OF FIFTEEN (15) FIRST RESPONDER MEDICAL KITS AND THREE (3) MEGA MEDIC KITS TO THE HAWAI'I COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT (from the Ocean View Community Association; estimated total value of \$3,000)

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated August 2, 2004, transmitting the above resolution. The kits are being donated to the Ocean View Volunteer Fire Department.

Recommend adoption of Res. 221-04

Comm. 720:
(Bill 308) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 04-74, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2005 (by appropriating a \$6,800 Traffic Investigation Program Grant)

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated August 2, 2004, transmitting the above bill. Last fiscal year, the U.S. Department of Transportation, through the State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation, Public Affairs Office, Safe Community Program, provided a \$15,000 Traffic Investigation Program Grant to increase the quality of alcohol and speed related traffic fatality investigations by providing training and equipment to police officers. This year, an additional funding of \$6,800 is being supplemented to that grant for travel expenses to attend and participate in the Statewide Traffic Investigation Training to be held on Maui. This will bring the total grant amount to \$21,800.

Recommend passage of Bill 308 on first reading

- Comm. 721:
(Res. 222-04) **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED) FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION HONOKA'A POOL (from Mr. Lawrence M.O. Chun, in memory of Sergeant First Class Wesley John Kealoha Batalona, U.S. Army Retired; estimated value of \$1,200)**
From Councilmember Fred Holschuh, dated August 5, 2004, transmitting the above resolution.
Recommend adoption of Res. 222-04
- Comm. 723:
(Res. 223-04) **RESOLUTION CREATING A VICTIMS SERVICES TECHNICIAN (TEMPORARY) POSITION FOR THE HAWAI'I COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT**
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated August 4, 2004, transmitting the above resolution. This position will assist with the administrative and technical support of the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Unit. The increase in cases in both areas, compounded with the complexity of the cases and involvement of many State/County agencies, require a departmental liaison to assist the Police Department before the cases are sent to the Prosecutor's Office. The funding for this position is being provided by the State of Hawai'i Department of the Attorney General's Victims Services Coordinator Grant and is already appropriated in the County's Operating Budget.
Recommend adoption of Res. 223-04
- Comm. 724:
(Res. 224-04) **A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO DEVELOP A TRANSITION AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR CONVERSION FROM SUBSIDIZED PRIVATE VEHICLES IN POLICE SERVICE TO A COUNTY-OWNED FLEET OF POLICE VEHICLES COMMENCING IN FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007**
From Finance Committee Chair Aaron S.Y. Chung, dated August 5, 2004, transmitting the above resolution calling for the establishment of a Police Fleet Implementation Working Group to be supported by a \$20,000 Council contingency fund appropriation. Also attached for reference is an earlier draft of this resolution prepared by the Legislative Auditor's Office.
Recommend adoption of Res. 224-04, as amended (to Draft 2)
(Note: See related Communications 240 through 240.6 and 551 through 551.5, listed below under Unfinished Business.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Comm. 240: **REPORT COVERING POSSIBLE CHANGE FROM SUBSIDIZED AUTOMOBILES USED BY POLICE OFFICERS TO A FLEET OF MARKED POLICE VEHICLES**
Close file
From West Hawai'i Crime Stoppers, Inc. President Alan J. Pratt, Ph.D, dated April 22, 2003, transmitting part 2 of their recent report on the above matter, and recommending the change be over a two-year period since obviously the sooner a decision is made one way or the other the better the figures. The figures are based on the proposal from the Ford Credit Company, Dearborn, recently submitted to the Council for study. They also have a similar quote for vehicle prices from the local Ford dealership.
- Comm. 240.1: From West Hawai'i Crime Stoppers, Inc. President Alan J. Pratt, Ph.D, dated April 27, 2003, transmitting revised figures to the report contained in Comm. 240.
Close file
- Comm. 240.2: Copy of letter to Police Commission Vice Chair Dwight K. Manago from West Hawai'i Crime Stoppers, Inc., President Alan J. Pratt, Ph.D, dated May 25, 2003, commenting on a West Hawai'i Today article in the May 18, 2003 issue concerning the police car study the Crime Stoppers had sent to the Commission.
Close file
- Comm. 240.3: Copy of letter to the Hawai'i County Police Commission from West Hawai'i Crime Stoppers, Inc., President, Alan J. Pratt, Ph.D., dated June 16, 2003, regarding marked police cars, states the figures that should be used are those submitted with their final revision, which were also shown on the full page advertisement in the West Hawai'i Today dated May 25, 2003, and is posted on the WHCS Web Board at www.whcrimestoppers.com.
Close file
- Comm. 240.4: Hawai'i Police Department Fleet vs. Subsidized Vehicle Report.
Close file
- Comm. 240.5: From Michael Ikaika Soo, dated June 23, 2003, supporting a change to marked police cars.
Close file
- Comm. 240.6: From West Hawai'i Crime Stoppers, Inc. Board of Directors' President Alan J. Pratt, Ph.D., MBA, dated July 12, 2003, enclosing their analysis of the Hawai'i County Police Department Fleet vs. Subsidized Police Vehicles Report.
Close file
- Comm. 551: **REPORT ON HAWAI'I COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES**
Close file
From Councilmember Joseph Reynolds, dated March 4, 2004, transmitting the above report pursuant to budget discussions in April/May, 2003. Requests that the report be placed on the April 6, 2004 Finance Committee agenda for a presentation by the Legislative Auditor's Office, which prepared the report, with invitations to Police Chief Lawrence Mahuna, Corporation Counsel Lincoln Ashida and Finance Director William Takaba to give their comments.

(Note: Comm. 551.1 continues on the next page.)

- Comm. 551.1: From Finance Committee Chair Aaron S.Y. Chung, dated April 7, 2004, referring
Close file Comm. 551 and Comms. 240 through 240.6 to the Council.
- Comm. 551.5: From Council Chair James Y. Arakaki, dated June 7, 2004, referring Comm. 551
Close file through 551.4 and Comms. 240 through 240.6 back to the Finance Committee.
- Comm. 551.2: Report entitled *West Hawai'i Crime Stoppers "The Price of Visibility" Part Three*,
Close file dated April 15, 2004.
- Comm. 551.3: Copy of email to Police Department Accountant Nori Ishii, from Finance Director
Close file William Takaba, dated March 17, 2003, requesting information on the Maui County Police Department's transition to fleet vehicles. A report entitled *Maui County Subsidized Automobile Study*, dated July 18, 2002, is attached.
- Comm. 551.4: Email message to Councilmembers from Hawai'i Crime Stoppers President
Close file Alan Pratt, dated May 16, 2004, transmitting copies of letters to Police Chief James S. Correa, dated February 12, 2002 and Corporation Counsel Lincoln Ashida, dated February 13, 2002, from Jack Brunton, regarding police vehicles
- Comm. 709:
(Bill 304) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 04-74, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2005 (by appropriating \$363,221 to various Solid Waste Fund accounts)
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- From Mayor Harry Kim, dated July 21, 2004, transmitting the above bill. States that \$363,221 represents part of the Sort Station funding that was removed from the proposed budget. The Sort Station is not proceeding at this time, as directed by the Council. However, there are other very urgent solid waste needs that must be addressed, and they request that these funds be made available to help comply with their Consent Agreement with the Department of Health and to help implement measures to increase diversion from both the Hilo and Pu'uana'hulu landfills. Provides background information and requests that \$125,721 be used to restore four positions that were cut in preparation of their proposed budget; \$112,500 will be used to provide greenwaste collection centers at eight North and East Hawai'i transfer stations; and \$125,000 will be used to begin development of a Material Recovery Area at the Pu'uana'hulu Landfill.
- Recommend passage of Bill 304 on first reading**

Note: The Finance Committee at its meeting of August 3, 2004, recommended adoption of companion Resolution 215-04.)

Comm. 709.1: RESOLUTION CREATING TWO (2) EQUIPMENT OPERATOR III POSITIONS
(Res. 216-04) AND TWO (2) SOLID WASTE TRANSFER STATION ATTENDANT
POSITIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
MANAGEMENT SOLID WASTE DIVISION

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated July 21, 2004, transmitting the above resolution. The current staffing level at the South Hilo Sanitary Landfill is unable to provide adequate maintenance activities and waste capacity efficiency. The creation of these positions will help to conserve airspace at the landfill, will increase compaction of waste, and will reduce environmental liabilities relative to litter control, storm water management, and the hazardous waste exclusion program. Thus, extending the life span of both County landfills and increasing landfill efficiency which will minimize the County's risk of future environmental contamination and associated regulatory violations.

Recommend adoption of Res. 216-04

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 **August 13, 2004**. 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, August 24 and 31, 2004, at 8:30 p.m.; Planning Committee meeting - Thursdays, August 26 and September 2, 2004, at 8:30 p.m.; and all three Committee meetings - Sunday, September 5, 2004, at 10:30 a.m.