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**HAWAII COUNTY COUNCIL  
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE  
6<sup>th</sup> Session**

**DATE:** February 28, 2005 (Monday)  
**PLACE:** Councilroom  
**TIME:** 10:00 a.m.

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**CALL TO ORDER**

**STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

**REFERRALS**

- Comm. 24.5: TRANSFER OF FUNDS - FEBRUARY 1-15, 2005  
From Deanna Sako, Controller, dated February 16, 2005, transmitting a Report of Transfers Authorized showing transfers made from February 1 through 15, 2005, and copies of the approved transfer forms.
- Comm. 102:  
(Res. 44-05) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF FUNDS OF A LATER FISCAL YEAR AND OF MORE THAN ONE FISCAL YEAR FOR A MULTI-YEAR LEASE FOR A COPIER FOR THE HAWAII COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT (Hilo Driver License Section)  
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated February 7, 2005, transmitting the above resolution. Their current copier is being constantly repaired, and a copier with current technology will allow the staff to increase their productivity and to keep up with increasing demands.
- Comm. 103:  
(Res. 45-05) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MULTI-YEAR EXTENSION AGREEMENT WITH K. TANIGUCHI, LTD. FOR THE HANAMA PLACE OFFICE BUILDING  
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated February 8, 2005, transmitting the above resolution. The County of Hawaii leases 10,100 sq. ft. of office space at the Hanama Place Office Building in Kailua-Kona for various departments. The proposed new lease will require the County to pay \$278,133.44 per year, or \$2.29 per sq. ft. per month, which includes the cost of common area maintenance. The new rent represents a 3% increase over what we are now paying.

- Comm. 104:  
(Res. 46-05) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF FUNDS OF A LATER FISCAL YEAR AND OF MORE THAN ONE FISCAL YEAR FOR MULTI-YEAR LEASES FOR TWO (2) COPIERS FOR THE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (for the Wailuku Drive and Kinoole Street offices)  
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated February 7, 2005, transmitting the above resolution. The leases of their two copiers currently in use will be expiring in June 2005 and both machines have exceeded their recommended usage and are constantly being repaired. A copier with current technology will allow the staff to increase their productivity and to keep up with increasing demands.
- Comm. 104.1: From Legislative Auditor Assistant Susan Caseria, dated February 16, 2005, transmitting a cost analysis comparison for the above copiers.
- Comm. 109:  
(Res. 48-05) RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING/APPROPRIATING AN APPROPRIATION OUT AND FROM THE DESIGNATED FUND ACCOUNT(S) AND CREDITING SAME TO A DESIGNATED FUND ACCOUNT(S) (transfers of \$20,000 out and from the Clerk-Council Services-Contingency Relief account and credits same to the Building Repairs and Maintenance Other Current Expenses account for the Honoka'a Community Septic System Study)  
From Councilmember Fred C. Holschuh, M.D., dated February 9, 2005, transmitting the above resolution.
- Comm. 110: ACCEPTS THE DONATION OF THREE (3) SQUIRREL MONKEYS (ESTIMATED VALUE OF \$7,000) FROM THE BLUE TROPIX NIGHTCLUB IN HONOLULU TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOR THE PANA'EWA RAINFOREST ZOO  
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated February 9, 2005, requesting Council's approval of the above donation.
- Comm. 116:  
(Bill 37) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 15, SUBSECTION 2-91.1(d), HAWAI'I COUNTY CODE 1983 (1995 EDITION) RELATING TO FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE FORMS (by eliminating the requirement for a short form Financial Disclosure Form.  
From Deputy Corporation Counsel Patricia K. O'Toole, dated February 16, 2005, transmitting the above bill. States the proposal was sent to the County Clerk, who had no objection to the proposed change.

- Comm. 119:  
(Bill 38)      AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 04-75, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND FINANCING THEREOF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2004 TO JUNE 30, 2005 (adds the Public Works, Hilo Bay Modeling project for \$250,000)  
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated February 15, 2005, transmitting the above bill. Under a Cooperative Agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Planning Assistance to States program, this project involves the development of a computer model of Hilo Bay that can be used to investigate the viability and effectiveness of modifications to the Hilo Breakwater or other alternatives that will improve the water quality and circulation of Hilo Bay.
- Comm. 120:  
(Bill 39)      AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 99-41 OF THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I ADOPTED ON APRIL 12, 1999, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 00-56 ADOPTED ON MAY 17, 2000, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 04-61 ADOPTED ON MAY 27, 2004, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I  
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated February 16, 2005, transmitting the above bill. As of June 30, 2004, there were approximately \$11.8 million of unspent proceeds from the County of Hawai'i's 1999 general obligation bond issuance. The Bond Council is concerned about these unspent funds, which could jeopardize the County's ability to borrow in the future. Bond Ordinance 99-41 restricted the use of bond proceeds to specific projects and amounts noted within the text of the ordinance; however, the projects identified did not always match with projects that were ready to go forward, resulting in unspent bond proceeds. There are currently CIP projects which are in progress and ready to start, but are lacking funds. This bill will amend a previous bond ordinance in order to allow the use of the remaining funds for any appropriated projects.
- Comm. 121:  
(Bill 40)      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 increasing the General Fund's Fund Balance of the Previous Year account by \$1,704,750 and appropriating it to various departmental and miscellaneous accounts)  
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated February 16, 2005, transmitting the above bill. Of the General Fund Fund Balance of \$6,697,734.37 certified by the Mayor on October 7, 2004, an appropriation of \$4,042,488 to various accounts has already been approved by the Council in order to meet County needs. This bill is a result of meetings between the Administration and Councilmembers, in which there were no special requests from the members for projects; however, several members mentioned County Building repairs as a priority. Some of the remaining funds are proposed to be transferred to CIP to support those renovations. Attaches a list of the Administration's Fund Balance proposals showing a breakdown of the appropriations and a brief explanation on how the funds will be used.

Comm. 122:  
(Bill 41) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 04-75, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND FINANCING THEREOF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2004 TO JUNE 30, 2005 (adds the Encapsulated Asbestos Removal and Air Conditioning Upgrade at County Building project for \$1.5 million)

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated February 16, 2005, transmitting the above bill. This project includes the removal of encapsulated asbestos from existing roof trusses as well as asbestos that has migrated from the roof trusses to the first floor ceiling space of the County Building; the replacement of all air conditioning units with new energy efficient units and cleaning and insulating the existing air conditioning ducts; and replacing the existing ceiling tiles with new ones.

### STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC/ADJOURNMENT

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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, Kailua Trade Center, 75-5706 Hanama Place, Suite 109, Kailua-Kona. For further information, please call 961-8245.

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