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**HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
28th Session**

DATE: February 14, 2006 (Tueaday)
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 COMM 659

REFERRALS

Comm. 659: APPOINTMENTS OF DAVID Y. OMURA AND JOHN H. SUCKE TO THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I PENSION BOARD
From Mayor Harry Kim, dated January 25, 2006, submitting the nomination of the following individuals for appointment to the County of Hawai'i Pension Board:

David Y. Omura of Council District 2 is a 55-year resident of Hawai'i and is a Financial Advisor with Wachovia Securities. Not affiliated with any political party, if confirmed, he will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2006.

John H. Sucke of Council District 9 is a three-year resident of Hawai'i, and is retired after being employed since 1974 as an Executive Director with the Screen Actors Guild. Not affiliated with any political party, if confirmed, he will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2006.

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

REFERRALS

- Comm. 24.23: TRANSFER OF FUNDS - JANUARY 16-31, 2006
From Controller Deanna Sako, dated February 1, 2006, transmitting a Report of Transfers Authorized showing transfers made from January 16 through January 31, 2006. Copies of the approved transfer forms are attached for reference.
- Comm. 66.35: FINAL REPORT - PUNA REGIONAL CIRCULATION PLAN (PRCP)
From Planning Director Chris Yuen, dated January 24, 2006, transmitting the above report pursuant to Ordinance 04-74.
- Comm. 661:
(Res. 252-06) A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING/APPROPRIATING AN APPROPRIATION OUT AND FROM THE DESIGNATED FUND ACCOUNT(S) AND CREDITING SAME TO A DESIGNATED FUND ACCOUNT(S) (transfers \$5,000 out and from the Clerk-Council Services Contingency Relief account and credit same to the Prosecuting Attorney - Weed and Seed Coordinator account)
From Councilmember Gary Safarik, dated January 20, 2006, transmitting the above resolution. These discretionary funds from Council District 5 will be used for the purchase of tools and equipment to train students for entry level positions in the field of auto mechanics at Pahoa High and Intermediate School. The grant will be administered by the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney.
- Comm. 664:
(Res. 253-06) 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 DEPUTY PROSECUTOR TRAINING PROJECT; and
- (Bill 209) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 05-86, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2006 (appropriates a \$15,854 Deputy Prosecutor Training Grant)
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated January 26, 2006, transmitting the above bill. The State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation has authorized the above grant, derived from Federal funds, to the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney. These funds will be used to make roads safer, and to improve performance of the law enforcement system in its efforts to enforce traffic laws by training deputy prosecuting attorneys in the conceptual, technical, scientific and trail aspects of these offences, and by having them participate in traffic commander meetings.
- Comm. 665: UPDATE ON THE DEPARTMENT OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT'S HAWAI'I COUNTY RESOURCE CENTER ON THE STATUS OF THE NEWLY STAFFED GRANTS PROGRAM
From Research and Development Director Jane Testa, dated January 25, 2006, requesting a half an hour at the Finance Committee meeting for the above presentation.

- Comm. 670:
(Bill 210) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 05-86, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2006 (appropriates \$3,475,662 of the Highway Fund's fund balance to the following accounts: Traffic Division - Other Current Expenses, \$125,000; Traffic Streetlights, \$343,602; Traffic Signs and Markings - Other Current Expenses, \$240,060; Highway Maintenance Administration - Other Current Expenses, \$42,000; Highway Maintenance Administration - Equipment \$1,048,000; Puna Road, Other Current Expenses, \$37,000; and Transfer to Capital Project Fund - \$1,640,000); and
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- (Bill 211) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 05-87, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND FINANCING THEREOF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2005 TO JUNE 30, 2006 (adds the Public Works, Mamalahoa Highway Improvements, Mud Lane to Waimea Town project for \$640,000); and
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- (Bill 212) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 05-87, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND FINANCING THEREOF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2005 TO JUNE 30, 2006 (adds the Public Works, Coastview-Wonderview Road Resurfacing project for \$858,000); and
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- (Bill 213) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 05-87, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND FINANCING THEREOF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2005 TO JUNE 30, 2006 (adds the Public Works, Painted Church Road Safety Improvements for \$142,000)
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated January 31, 2006, transmitting the above bills. Certifies that there is a balance of \$3,881,755.11 in the Highway Fund fund balance as of June 30, 2005. The remaining balance after the above appropriations will be \$406,093.11. Notes four projects in Kailua-Kona, Puna and Volcano which had lapsed and are being re-appropriated. Provides a brief description and justification of each of the three projects to be added to the Capital Budget.
- Comm. 671:
(Bill 214) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 05-86, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2006 (decreases bus revenues by \$232,000; increases the General Fund Fund Balance of the Previous Year account by \$2,758,465; and appropriates \$2,526,465 to various General Fund expenditure accounts); and
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(Note: Bill 215, also related to Comm. 671, continues on the next page.)

(Bill 215) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 05-86, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2006 (appropriates \$170,000 to the following accounts: Kawaihae Transitional Shelter, \$136,000; and Hawai'i Island Workforce Economic Development Ohana, \$34,000)

From Finance Director William Takaba, transmitting the above bills. Certifies that there is a balance of \$3,727,401.95 in the General Fund fund balance as of June 30, 2005. Due to the implementation of the Kokua Bus Schedule this fiscal year, there will be a loss of \$232,000 in bus revenues in the Operating Budget. After careful consideration of the departments and agencies, the attached bill proposes to appropriate \$2,526,465 to various accounts, leaving a balance of \$968,936.95, which is available to the Council for appropriation according to its priorities. Also attaches a bill to appropriate \$170,000 which is proposed to be transferred into the Housing Fund. Attaches a summary of selected departmental requests by category type and an itemized description and justification of each fund balance proposal.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting place is accessible for persons with disabilities. Persons who need special accommodations to attend this meeting should call 961-8245 by **February 10 2006**. Persons using TDDs may call 961-8521.

Copies of this agenda and the items listed on the agenda 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; and at the Waimea Council Members' Office at the Holomua Center, 64-1067 Māmalahoa Highway, Suite 5, Waimea, Hawai'i 96743. For further information, please call 961-8245.

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- Kona Council Office at the Kailua Trade Center; and
- Waimea Council Office at the Holomua Center.

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Submitting Testimony: Those persons wishing to testify in person or by videoconference must register with the County Clerk's staff. Those testifying in person and submitting written testimony at the meeting in Hilo should bring sixteen (16) copies of the testimony for distribution at the meeting. Those testifying by videoconference from the Kona or Waimea Council Offices, should bring one copy of the testimony. Those persons unable to testify in person or by videoconference may submit testimony (1) by mail to the County Clerk's Office in Hilo at the above address, (2) by facsimile to (808) 961-8912, or (3) by e-mail to counciltestimony@co.hawaii.hi.us. Copies will be made and distributed at the meeting when transmitted in a timely manner. In any case, both oral and written testimony will be made a part of the public record.

Notice to Lobbyists: If you are a lobbyist, you must register with the Hawai'i County Clerk within five days of becoming a lobbyist { Article 15, Section 2-91.3(b), Hawai'i County Code}. A lobbyist means "any individual engaged for pay or other consideration who spends more than five hours in any month or \$275 in any six-month period for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action by communicating or urging others to communicate with public officials." { Article 15, Section 2-91.3(a)(6), Hawai'i County Code} Registration forms and expenditure report documents are available at the Office of the County Clerk-Council, 25 Aupuni Street, Hilo, Hawai'i 96720.

VIEWING OF MEETINGS ON GOVERNMENT ACCESS TELEVISION - Channel 52 (Hilo/Kona)
Public Works & Intergovernmental Relations and Finance Committee meetings - Tuesdays, February 21 and February 28, 2006, at 8:30 p.m.; Environmental Management and Planning Committee meetings - Thursdays, February 23 and March 2, 2006, at 8:30 p.m.; and all four Committee meetings - Sunday, March 5, 2006, at 10:30 a.m.

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