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**HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
6th Session**

DATE: March 8, 2007 (Thursday)
PLACE: Councilroom
Ben Franklin Building
333 Kilauea Avenue, 2nd Floor
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720
TIME: 9:30 a.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

REFERRALS

Comm. 10.7: FINAL REPORT - ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT
Close file From Hawai'i Fire Department, dated February 1, 2007, transmitting the above report pursuant to Ordinance No. 05-86.

Ayes: **Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann,
Jacobson, Naeole, Pilago, Yoshimoto and
Chair Yagong.**

Noes: **None**

Absent: **Committee Member Ikeda.**

Comm. 10.8: FINAL REPORT - PAHOA WEED & SEED GRANT
Close file From Police Chief Lawrence K. Mahuna, dated February 13, 2007, transmitting the above report pursuant to Ordinance No. 05-86.

Ayes: **Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann,
Jacobson, Naeole, Pilago, Yoshimoto and
Chair Yagong.**

Noes: **None**

Absent: **Committee Member Ikeda.**

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- Comm. 20.3: TRANSFER OF FUNDS - FEBRUARY 1 - 15, 2007
Close file From Controller Deanna Sako, dated February 22, 2007, transmitting a Report of Transfers Authorized showing transfers from February 1, 2007 through February 15, 2007. Copies of the approved transfer forms are attached for reference.
Ayes: **Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann, Jacobson, Naeole, Pilago, Yoshimoto and Chair Yagong.**
Noes: **None.**
Absent: **Committee Member Ikeda.**
- Comm. 190: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 06-79, AS AMENDED, (Bill 58) THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2007 (by appropriating an additional \$10,000 to the Traffic Division Equipment account for the purchase of two (2) Smart Signs to help control speeding on Paniolo Drive in Waikoloa Village)
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated February 12, 2007, transmitting the above bill. In addition to funds donated by the Waikoloa Village Association, discretionary funds from Council District 9 will also be used towards the purchase of these two Smart Signs. Smart Signs alert drivers in real time of their actual speed, thereby encouraging drivers to pay attention to the speed limit.
Recommends passage of Bill 58 on first reading.
Ayes: **Committee Members Ford, Hoffmann, Jacobson, Naeole, Pilago, Yoshimoto and Chair Yagong.**
Noes: **None.**
Absent: **Committee Members Higa and Ikeda.**
- Comm. 195: A RESOLUTION COMMITTING TO FUNDING THE COST ITEMS AWARDED (Res. 82-07) TO THE HAWAI'I FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION BY ARBITRATION, AFFECTING FIRE FIGHTERS IN BARGAINING UNIT 11 FOR THE CONTRACT PERIOD JULY 1, 2007 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2011
From Mayor Harry Kim, dated February 15, 2007, transmitting the above resolution, which authorizes the appropriation in future fiscal years of funds to cover the cost items awarded by the arbitration panel to resolve the impasse between the employers and the Hawai'i Fire Fighters Association for Bargaining Unit 11. The award covers the contract period from July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2011. The attached exhibit shows the cost of the adjustments over the term of the contract.
Recommends adoption of Res. 82-07.
Ayes: **Committee Members Ford, Hoffmann, Jacobson, Naeole, Pilago, Yoshimoto and Chair Yagong.**
Noes: **None.**
Absent: **Committee Members Higa and Ikeda.**

- Comm. 201: **Close file** WORKSHOP ON COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT (CFD) FINANCING
 From Council Chair Pete Hoffmann, dated February 20, 2007, requesting the above workshop. Outlines the content of the workshop, which will be conducted by Dave Freudenberger of Goodwin Consulting Group. Special Assistant to the Mayor Roy Takemoto will provide an update on the progress of the Waikoloa Regional Roadway CFD.
Ayes: **Committee Members Ford, Hoffmann, Jacobson, Naeole, Pilago, Yoshimoto and Chair Yagong.**
Noes: **None**
Absent: **Committee Members Higa and Ikeda.**
- Comm. 204: **Close file** 2006 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE MAYOR FROM THE PUBLIC ACCESS, OPEN SPACE AND NATURAL RESOURCES PRESERVATION COMMISSION
 From Mayor Harry Kim, dated February 21, 2007, transmitting the above report. The Commission has once again reviewed various parcels of land and developed a prioritized listing of the lands and/or property entitlements for acquisition. Recommends that during 2007, the County continue to focus exclusively on the acquisition of the four parcels of land that together comprise the Kawa'a/Kawa'a Bay property; and the Waipi'o Lookout parcel. The reason for this recommendation is that the Administration, at the Council's direction, has begun negotiations to acquire these highest priority lands, and if fully carried out, estimates these acquisitions will require all of the funds available now and expected to be available through December 2007, when the next listing will be received from the Commission.
Ayes: **Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann, Jacobson, Naeole, Pilago, Yoshimoto and Chair Yagong.**
Noes: **None**
Absent: **Committee Member Ikeda.**
- Comm. 205: (Bill 64) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 06-79, AS AMENDED, THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2007 (by appropriating an additional \$2,500 into the Department of Environmental Management's Used Oil Collection/Disposal Recycling Program account and to bring the total grant award to \$67,500)
 From Finance Director William Takaba, dated February 21, 2007, transmitting the above bill. The funds will be for a used motor oil program and for conducting education and outreach on that program. In the current fiscal year's budget, \$65,000 was appropriated in anticipation of this grant.
Recommends passage of Bill 64 on first reading.
Ayes: **Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann, Jacobson, Naeole, Pilago, Yoshimoto and Chair Yagong.**
Noes: **None**
Absent: **Committee Member Ikeda.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Comm. 183: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE KAILUA
(Bill 55) VILLAGE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 (to provide for and
finance supplemental services and improvements in Kailua Village, pursuant to
Hawai'i County Code, Chapter 35, Article 2, Section 35-11)

From Councilmember K. Angel Pilago, dated January 24, 2007, transmitting the
above resolution.

Recommends passage of Bill 55, as amended to Draft 2, on first reading.

**Ayes: Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann,
Jacobson, Pilago, Yoshimoto and
Chair Yagong.**

Noes: Committee Member Naeole.

Absent: Committee Member Ikeda.

ADJOURNMENT

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