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**HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
25th Session**

DATE: December 18, 2007 (Tuesday)
PLACE: Sheraton Keauhou Bay Resort and Spa
78-128 Ehukai Street
Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

REFERRALS

Comm. 20.19: TRANSFER OF FUNDS - NOVEMBER 16 - 30, 2007
Close file From Controller Deanna Sako, dated December 4, 2007, transmitting Report of Transfers made from November 16 through November 30, 2007.

Ayes: **Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann, Ikeda, Pilago and Vice Chair Jacobson**
Noes: **None.**
Absent: **Committee Members Naeole, Yoshimoto and Chair Yagong.**

Comm. 835: 2007 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX BOARD REVIEW
Close file From Tax Board of Review Chairman Ernest Matsumura, dated November 23, 2007, transmitting the above report, along with a copy of the complaints received from taxpayers for 2007.

Ayes: **Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann, Ikeda, Pilago and Vice Chair Jacobson**
Noes: **None.**
Absent: **Committee Members Naeole, Yoshimoto and Chair Yagong.**

[Comm. 845:](#) MONETARY DONATION OF \$2,777.16 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION FROM HERMAN FERNANDEZ, TO BE USED FOR MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTION COSTS TOWARDS THE COMPLETION OF THE KAMEHAMEHA PARK BASKETBALL COURTS

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated December 3, 2007, requesting the Council's approval of the above donation.

Recommends the acceptance of the above donation.

Ayes: Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann, Ikeda, Pilago and Vice Chair Jacobson

Noes: None.

Absent: Committee Members Naeole, Yoshimoto and Chair Yagong.

[Comm. 846:](#)
[\(Res. 445-07\)](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF FUNDS OF A LATER FISCAL YEAR AND OF MORE THAN ONE FISCAL YEAR FOR THREE (3) OPEN TOP REFUSE TRAILERS (for the Department of Environmental Management, Solid Waste Division to enter into a five year lease agreement)

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated December 4, 2007, transmitting the above resolution.

Recommends the adoption of Res. 445-07.

Ayes: Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann, Ikeda, Pilago and Vice Chair Jacobson

Noes: None.

Absent: Committee Members Naeole, Yoshimoto and Chair Yagong.

[Comm. 847:](#)
[\(Res. 446-07\)](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF FUNDS OF A LATER FISCAL YEAR AND OF MORE THAN ONE FISCAL YEAR FOR SIX (6) TRUCK TRACTORS (for the Department of Environmental Management, Solid Waste Division to enter into a five year lease agreement)

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated December 4, 2007, transmitting the above resolution.

Recommends the adoption of Res. 446-07.

Ayes: Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann, Ikeda and Vice Chair Jacobson

Noes: None.

Absent: Committee Members Naeole, Pilago, Yoshimoto and Chair Yagong.

[Comm. 848:](#)
[\(Res. 447-07\)](#)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF FUNDS OF A LATER FISCAL YEAR AND OF MORE THAN ONE FISCAL YEAR FOR A COPIER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (for their Administration and Business Services Office to enter into a five year lease agreement)
From Finance Director William Takaba, dated December 4, 2007, transmitting the above resolution.

Recommends the adoption of Res. 447-07.

Ayes: Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann,
Ikeda and Vice Chair Jacobson

Noes: None.

Absent: Committee Members Naeole, Pilago, Yoshimoto
and Chair Yagong.

[Comm. 849:](#)
[\(Res. 448-07\)](#)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF FUNDS OF A LATER FISCAL YEAR AND OF MORE THAN ONE FISCAL YEAR FOR A MULTI-YEAR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY (to enter into a multi-year lease with Hawai'i Hardware Company Limited for 8,000 square feet for ten years, for real property located at 550 Kīlauea Avenue in South Hilo, to be used for new custodian and grounds keeper positions, to relocate the County's storeroom, to establish a centralized document management system site, and to provide a storage area for equipment and old files and records)

From Finance Director William Takaba, dated December 4, 2007, transmitting the above resolution.

Recommends the adoption of Res. 448-07.

Ayes: Committee Members Ford, Hoffmann, Ikeda,
Pilago and Vice Chair Jacobson

Noes: None.

Absent: Committee Members Higa, Naeole, Yoshimoto
and Chair Yagong.

[Comm. 851:](#)
[\(Bill 207\)](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 19, ARTICLE 10, HAWAI'I COUNTY CODE (2005 EDITION, AS AMENDED), ESTABLISHING A REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR KULEANA LAND (by adding a new section entitled "Kuleana land exemption" and by inserting references to this new section in Section 19-68, relating to "Claims for certain exemptions," as appropriate)

From Councilmember K. Angel Pilago, dated December 6, 2007, transmitting the above bill.

Recommends passage of Bill 207 as amended to Draft 2, on first reading.

Ayes: Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann,
Ikeda, Pilago and Vice Chair Jacobson

Noes: None.

Absent: Committee Members Naeole, Yoshimoto and Chair Yagong.

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