

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

July 6, 2001

Committee
Report No.

01-112

Honorable Chair and Members
of the County Council
County of Maui
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Budget and Finance Committee, having met on June 12, 2001, makes reference to Contract No. C1124, between Cooper International and the County of Maui, relating to the removal of asbestos at the old Wailuku Post Office.

Your Committee notes that Contract No. C1124 was referred to the prior Council's Governmental Relations and Finance Committee at the Council meeting of June 18, 1999 (Budget Committee Report No. 99-95).

At its meeting of November 15, 2000, the Committee discussed the disposition of all items on its agenda.

The Committee recommended that Contract No. C1124 be referred to the Council Chair for the term beginning January 2, 2001, for a recommendation as to referral or other disposition.

At its meeting of January 12, 2001, the Council referred Contract No. C1124 to your Budget and Finance Committee (County Communication 01-19).

At its meeting of June 12, 2001, your Committee met with the Director of Finance, the Budget Director, the Director of Public Works and Waste Management, and a Deputy Corporation Counsel.

The Director of Finance informed your Committee that Contract No. C1124 was signed in December 1998 to remove asbestos from the old Wailuku Post Office Building. He stated that the work was completed and the contract was closed.

The Budget Director informed your Committee that the County has a 30-year lease on the old Wailuku Post Office and is using the building for storage

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of County documents. In addition, she stated that the Department of Public Works and Waste Management manages the building.

The Director of Public Works and Waste Management informed your Committee that there are different types of asbestos and that the "friable" type, which can easily be released into the atmosphere, has been removed.

The Director explained that the County was unsuccessful in its attempt to purchase the building, and noted that the new owner resides on Oahu. In addition, he informed your Committee that significant improvements would be required to convert the building from storage to office space. The Director of Public Works and Waste Management further stated that the Administration has no current plans to make any other changes to the building.

Some members of your Committee expressed concerns over the long-term use of the building. Therefore, your Committee voted to refer the matter of the County's long-term use of the old Wailuku Post Office to the Budget and Finance Committee and to file Contract No. C1124.

Your Budget and Finance Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That the matter of the County's long-term use of the old Wailuku Post Office be REFERRED to the Budget and Finance Committee; and
2. That Contract No. C1124 be FILED.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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