

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Council of the County of Maui

MINUTES

January 11, 2012

Lahaina Civic Center, Social Hall

CONVENE: 6:04 p.m.

PRESENT: Councilmember Joseph Pontanilla, Chair
Councilmember Gladys C. Baisa, Member
Councilmember Elle Cochran, Member
Councilmember Donald G. Couch, Jr., Member
Councilmember Danny A. Mateo, Member
Councilmember Mike White, Member

EXCUSED: Councilmember G. Riki Hokama, Vice-Chair
Councilmember Robert Carroll, Member
Councilmember Michael P. Victorino, Member

STAFF: Scott Kaneshina, Legislative Analyst
Camille Sakamoto, Committee Secretary
Arthur Suyama, Executive Assistant to Councilmember Danny A. Mateo
Troy Hashimoto, Executive Assistant to Councilmember Mike White

ADMIN.: Jeremiah L. Savage, Deputy Director, Department of Finance
Gery Madriaga, Assistant County Real Property Tax Administrator, Real Property Tax Division, Department of Finance
Marcy Martin, County Real Property Technical Officer, Real Property Tax Division, Department of Finance
Grant Nakama, Real Property Appraiser Supervisor, Real Property Tax Division, Department of Finance
Adrienne N. Heely, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Department of the Corporation Counsel

OTHERS: Hans Michel
Sherman Baisa
Amber Ngo-Savage

ITEM BF-70: DISPARITY OF REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS FOR AGRICULTURAL VERSUS NON-AGRICULTURAL LANDS (CC 11-227)

CHAIR PONTANILLA: ...*(gavel)*... The Budget and Finance Committee meeting for January 11, 2012 is now in session. The time is 6:05, and the meeting is being held at the Lahaina Civic Center. Tonight, we do have a quorum. The Chair would like to introduce the

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Members that are here...this evening. To my left, we have Chairman Danny Mateo; Councilmember Don Couch; Council...member Elle Cochran, your West Maui representative; and to my...oh, and at the end we do have Gladys Baisa. To my right, we do have Mike White; and I'm the Chairman of the Committee, Joe Pontanilla. At this time, I'd like to introduce the Council staff...we do have Scott Kaneshina, who is the Legislative Analyst; Camille Sakamoto, Committee Secretary; from my office, we do have Michele Yoshimura, Executive Assistant; and from Mister...Chairman Mateo's office, we do have Arthur Suyama; and from Mr. White's office...we do have...Troy...Hashimoto. Just as well introduce everybody in here...*(laughter)*...

ALL: ...*(laughter)*...

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: ...*(inaudible)*...

ALL: ...*(laughter)*...

CHAIR PONTANILLA: To my far left, from the Administration we have Deputy Corporation Counsel Adrienne Heely. In the back, we do have our Deputy Finance Director, Jeremiah Savage. Also from the Real Property Tax Division, we do have Gery Madriaga, Assistant Real Property Tax Administrator; Marcy Martin, Property Technical Officer; Grant Nakama, Appraisal Supervisor.

... And that's it. Uh ...

... This evening, the Committee is accepting public testimony on BF-13 [*sic*], Disparity of Real Property Assessments for Agricultural versus Nonagricultural Lands. The Committee is in receipt of a proposed bill, a bill for an ordinance amending Chapter 3.48, Maui County Code, relating to the tax assessment of homesites on parcels receiving agricultural use assessment. Um...there's no one signed up for public testimony at this time, so if there's anyone in the public that's sitting in this...area that would like to provide public testimony, please come forward.

NOTE: Pause.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: ... Seeing no one coming forward, at this time the Chair would like to close public testimony--

COUNCILMEMBER ____: No objection.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: --with no objections.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: No objections.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you, Members. With that, we don't have any public testimony to receive, the Chair is gonna adjourn this meeting.

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NOTE: Silence.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: . . . Meeting is adjourned . . . (*gavel*). . .

ADJOURN: 6:07 p.m.

APPROVED:



JOSEPH PONTANILLA, Chair
Budget and Finance Committee

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