

**BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
Council of the County of Maui

**MINUTES**

**April 19, 2012**

**Council Chamber, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor**

**CONVENE:** 9:03 a.m.

**PRESENT:** Councilmember Joseph Pontanilla, Chair  
Councilmember G. Riki Hokama, Vice-Chair  
Councilmember Gladys C. Baisa, Member  
Councilmember Robert Carroll, Member (Out 9:52 a.m.)  
Councilmember Elle Cochran, Member  
Councilmember Donald G. Couch, Jr., Member (In 9:05 a.m.)  
Councilmember Danny A. Mateo, Member (In 9:05 a.m.)  
Councilmember Michael P. Victorino, Member (Out 12:03 p.m.)  
Councilmember Mike White, Member

**STAFF:** Scott Kaneshina, Legislative Analyst  
Michele Yoshimura, Legislative Analyst  
Josiah Nishita, Legislative Analyst  
Camille Sakamoto, Committee Secretary  
Ken R. Fukuoka, Director, Office of Council Services

**ADMIN.:** Sananda K. Baz, Budget Director, Office of the Mayor  
David C. Goode, Director, Department of Public Works  
Brian Hashiro, Chief, Highways Division, Department of Public Works  
Keith A. Regan, Director, Department of Management  
Jacob Verkerke, Chief Technology Officer, Management Information Systems  
Division, Department of Management  
Wendy Taomoto, County Capital Improvement Program Coordinator, Department  
of Management  
William J. Medeiros, Geographic Services Manager, Geographic Information  
Systems (GIS) Division, Department of Management  
Jeffrey T. Ueoka, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Department of the Corporation  
Counsel

*Seated in the gallery:*

David J. Ching, First Assistant, Department of Management  
Patrick K. Wong, Corporation Counsel, Department of the Corporation Counsel

**OTHERS:** Dave DeLeon  
Henry Spencer  
Terryl Vencl  
Dain Kane

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Three (3) additional unidentified attendees

**PRESS:** *Akaku: Maui Community Television, Inc.*

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: . . .*(gavel)*. . . The Budget and Finance Committee meeting for April 19, 2012 is now in session. Chair would like to recognize the Members that are here this morning. Member Carroll, Member Baisa, Member Cochran --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Good morning.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: --Member Hokama, Member Victorino --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: --and Member White. Good morning.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Good morning.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Excused at this time are Members Couch and Chairman Mateo. Upfront we do have Jeff . . .*(clears throat)*. . . excuse me, Jeff Ueoka, Deputy Corporation Counsel.

MR. UEOKA: Good morning.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: The--good morning--Budget Director Sandy Baz.

MR. BAZ: Aloha.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Aloha. And Director of Public Works, Mr. David Goode.

MR. GOODE: Good morning.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Good morning. Supporting the Committee we do have Scott Kaneshina, Michele Yoshimura, Josiah Nishita, and our Secretary Camille Sakamoto. Members, we do have one person signed up for public testimony this morning, but before I call up the testifier I just want to say thank you to Member Baisa for the refreshments that you provided us last night at Pukalani Hannibal Tavares...Mayor Hannibal Tavares Community Center. Thank you. For those of you that are providing public testimony this morning, Chair will allow you three minutes to provide your testimony and provide you one minute to conclude. If you can state your name, organization that you represent, the Committee would appreciate that. Speak directly into the mic, and once you're done if you could stay there for a few seconds, Members may have questions for you. Members, at this time Chair would like to have all of us put our cell phones on the silent mode or turn it off. Chair would like to recognize the presence of Chairman Mateo

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as well as Member Couch. We do have one person signed up for public testimony so we'll go ahead with public testimony. Mr. Dave DeLeon.

**ITEM BF-1: PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2013 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI** (CC 12-59 and 12-72)

*...BEGIN PUBLIC TESTIMONY...*

MR. DeLEON: Good morning and aloha. Dave DeLeon representing the Maui Nutrition and Physical Fitness...Physical Activity Coalition and the Maui Bicycle Alliance. And I can hear the tiredness in your voices and I understand...I feel the struggle you guys are going through with this Budget. We all appreciate the hard work you guys are putting in. A prime focus of both of our organizations is the built environmental and the impact that it has on the ability of us to be able to use our bodies to move around our communities. It's a growing realization that we've planned our communities to the benefit of the automobile and to the exclusion of people being able to move around safely either by walking or biking. The health consequences of this has been well documented and are quite devastating. The elderly, the young, the handicapped, those who can't afford a car have been effectively designed out of moving around their communities. At \$5 a gallon, people need other, safe ways to get around. We appreciate and thank the Council for its recognition of this when you recently adopted a plan for creating a Complete Streets strategy for Maui County. That same realization has found its way into the County's proposed Maui Island Plan, and we're all hoping for you folks to be able to get that done on time as I know you're pushing hard to do. The plan repeatedly emphasizes the need to create walkable/bikeable communities and the use of trails and greenways to connect our towns. All these are good statements and we commend you for them, but we also challenge the County to now take the next step and appropriate the funds necessary to start making these projects a reality. The Northshore Greenway is in position after 20 years of effort, to be completed. It is designed to allow residents a safe way to ride a bike between Paia and Kahului with a design emphasis on making it safe for children. The Kihei Greenway has finally been initiated and its fantastic first phase is complete. Both of these projects are aimed at providing our local communities safe ways to get around their neighborhoods without using a car. They will provide healthy options that we do not now have. With that in mind, our organizations would like to request that the standard Bike Fund that appears in the Budget at \$300,000 be increased to 2 million. We also request that the Department be given the green light to start working on the improvements necessary to realize these two greenway projects and other opportunities that need to be addressed to truly make Maui County a walkable/bikeable community. On a related subject, I would like to point out that the State Department of Education is planning to build a new high school in Kihei. We noted that when King Kekaulike High School was built little or no emphasis was put on...and promoting walking to the school. We hope the same mistake is not repeated with the new high school and believe that now is the time for the County and the State to start preparing the infrastructure so that the students can walk to the new school. The students will need a network of sidewalks that will...that do not currently exist. Let's do it now rather than attempting to fix this problem after the fact. Walkable/bikeable communities is...a

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walkable/bikeable community is a healthier community. Let's give Maui County residents the opportunity to burn calories instead of expensive fossil fuels. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Members, questions for the testifier? Member Hokama. . . .(coughs). . . Excuse me.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: . . .(clears throat). . . Excuse me. Mr. DeLeon, thank you for sharing your comments on behalf of those organizations, and I did hear your request to up the consideration for appropriations. You know we finished our last district meeting last night which was Upcountry, but we went Countywide, Molokai, Lanai, and the various regions of Maui island, and there's a lot of requests. And I'm sure you've reviewed the Mayor's Budget Proposal. Would you...do you believe or do you think that the organizations you're speaking on behalf of this morning would be able to be supportive of a slight tax increase to take care of the needs that your...not only your organization is requesting but other organizations are requesting the County for?

MR. DeLEON: You know I always watch the Budget deliberations with amazement where people come in and ask for stuff but don't want to pay for it. I personally believe that you have to pay for what you ask for, and then I cannot speak for those organizations on tax matters, that's not something neither organization usually deals with. But I personally can say that I think it's reasonable to pay for what you ask for.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: That's a fair response, Mr. DeLeon. I thank you for that comment. Thank you very much.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. DeLeon, for being here. And you mentioned you wanted to increase it to 2 million. Is that 2 million to go to the two greenway projects or do you have any other specific projects in mind?

MR. DeLEON: Well as is proposed and you can of course do what you want, but this is for 2 million for bikeways Countywide. The \$2 million number actually arrived recently. I've been asking Public Works for a dollar figure for completing the Northshore Greenway. I thought it was going to be like 500,000. They came back with a preliminary, very preliminary, very ballpark of 2 million. I was going, wow, okay. That was not what I was thinking. But I'm not an engineer, those guys are. And...but they were...they emphasized that that was just a very, very beginning ballpark number and it probably can be pared down. But given that, I mean the Northshore Greenway is a 20-year project now at this point. We're...we finalized where we're going to put the last element and we just need to do it, and it's a race. I mean is the project going to be done first or am I going to be done first?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: How long is that last phase, half a mile?

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MR. DeLEON: Half a mile. Let me describe it. It goes from Baldwin Park, it connects for the...with the current right-of-way that comes across from Paia along the Hana Highway and across the front of park and move along the highway behind a guardrail to the first intersection going into Spreckelsville, and then it will go into the Spreckelsville neighborhood at that point.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: So...

MR. DeLEON: Then it'll come back and reconnect back out to Kaunoa Senior Center.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Is there land acquisition required in this one or?

MR. DeLEON: There might be a bit in that there's a County water pumping station in the middle of the right-of-way. I always thought it was a wastewater plant...a wastewater pump station but it's not, it's water. And it's pretty much down to the road, so we might have to kind of scoot around behind and maybe have to go into the golf course a few feet just to be able to have right-of-way.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Members, any more questions? Member Baisa.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yes, thank you very much, Chair. And thank you, Mr. DeLeon, for being here this morning. It's nice to have people take time and come and share their thoughts with us. I'm going to follow up on Member Hokama's question and try and get a little more information. You know when...as Members when we look at the Mayor's Budget we're asked by our Chair to submit our own versions of the Budget, and we'll be doing that next week. And in doing that, of course we'll try to take into consideration the information we've gathered in all the district meetings and all the people that have come to tell us what they'd like to see added. We're asked as Members to balance the Budget, and we're not allowed to add...or we shouldn't be adding more, you know, ways to get more revenue. We're usually asked well where are you going to take it from? So do you have any idea where we could find \$2 million without raising taxes?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. DeLeon. Tough question.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Because that's...

MR. DeLEON: Magic wand, I don't know.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: That's the crux of the matter here is that we sit here agonizing about how can we, you know, give people what they want and yet not raise taxes. And I heard your answer about you'd be willing to pay more, but, you know, we have a lot of people that come and tell us they don't want to pay more, in fact they want to see a tax cut. So that dilemma is ours, and I tell you, I would welcome any ideas from anybody. And if you can't say it right now and you come up with something, please let us know.

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MR. DeLEON: If the people want a tax cut from our current property taxes, right now our property taxes are a gift. We maybe have the lowest property taxes in the nation.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Right.

MR. DeLEON: I mean I don't know how we're going to possibly cut it lower. If...I don't have any sympathy for that personally. I mean and I'm totally speaking out of school, this is just Dave talking.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Sure.

MR. DeLEON: Where to cut? I, you know, I don't want to take from somebody else's, I mean...

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Sure, we don't either. That's the problem.

MR. DeLEON: But here's the problem, I mean we have all these concepts in your General Plan and if you don't start investing in them then we'll end up...we'll have the same situation we had with the Kihei plant. So the Kihei master plan or the Community Plan said let's have this great greenway and there it was. It was all over the plan. There was seven different locations in the plan that talked about the Kihei Greenway. Twenty...what, 15 years later we finally get the first phase. I mean, you know, at some point...I mean that's why I had to come, because if you don't, you don't put the emphasis. If I don't come then nobody else comes and then it falls off the radar again. I know, as somebody that sat in the Mayor's Office, how the bikeways can be buried in all the other important stuff. I mean this doesn't rise to, you know, you got the roads, you got...most people drive cars, that's what they're focused on, they're worried about their cars. But we do have a national and a local health emergency in that our people aren't moving their bodies anymore, they're just married to their cars. Fifty percent of the, of car traffic is less than a mile. I mean you could walk that but most people won't.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Again, thank you for coming and raising the issue. And thank you for the opportunity to at least discuss with the people who might be watching this at some point how difficult it is for us to accommodate all the requests we get. It's really not an easy thing, and normally we're going to be looking at property taxes which again, although they are the lowest in the nation, give people angst anytime you talk about raising taxes.

MR. DeLEON: Well, you know, and I'm not a specialist in budgets, I never was a number...I have a hard time balancing my own checkbook. But when it comes to this kind of infrastructure, I could see it possibly Bonds. It doesn't have to be cash. This is infrastructure that'll be around forever. The first phase of the Northshore Greenway was built in 1996. We've been using it for all that time. So I mean there is a good, a good argument to be made that you're going to get longevity out of this. So I mean it'd be worth investing capital money.

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COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Thank you very much. And investing in our health of course will provide a lot of savings in the long run.

MR. DeLEON: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Members, any more questions for the testifier? Seeing none, thank you, Dave.

MR. DeLEON: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: And, Members, on Friday we got the Real Property Tax...well we're supposed to receive the Certification on Friday, so we'll know how much money we're in the red. Mr. Henry Spence...Spencer.

MR. SPENCER: That's right, don't forget the R. I always ask Will Spence what they did to his name. I just...they forgot the R. Good morning, I'm Henry Spencer. I'm testifying on my own behalf, and I am here surprisingly to speak about the greenway as well. The greenway has been in the planning phase for maybe 30 years, 20 years, 25 years, something like that, and as was just stated, part of it was...is already built. I remember speaking...I've spoken to you guys several times about this over the past few years. I actually had come up with a couple of other people with a novel way of perhaps building it for less and funding it for less, and I had spoken with Sandy when he was with MEO. And what we were going to do was run the money through the nonprofit and that would have allowed us to avoid a lot of the design, build...design and build costs that go along with the actual County process that has to take place. So I guess I'm going to take a little different approach than Dave did and say that if you walked out there and looked what had to be built...and I know Mike has and I think Don did and David has and obviously Dave and I have. You think \$2 million, that's just a crazy figure, and what I'm thinking is that maybe we could put it on David's shoulders, David Goode, and he could find a little here and a little there and a little there. And I look at it and I see it in the private sector that it could be built for, you know, 250,000 or 300,000 or something like that, certainly less than 500. And maybe we get some money appropriated or David tries to figure out where we can get some, and we go back and try and explore this idea of running it through the nonprofit and just get it built for less and get it done. It's the last little section, as Dave said. We're so close where somebody could ride their bike from Kahului to Paia and back hopefully. It wouldn't be...that'd be the easy way coming back, that'd be with the wind. And it's just...I just see this dragging on again for another several years, and I think we have a chance to get it done and we have some people that have an interest in getting it done. And maybe we try to do it that way, and that's my two cents worth. And I've kind stuck my nose into this for the past few years in just trying to get it done. That's all. So thank you. And if at all we can find something that's there already that Dave may be able to rearrange the furniture a little bit. I know he's real happy that I suggest that.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Members, any questions for Mr. Spencer? Member Baisa.

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COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Mr. Spence --

MR. SPENCER: Er.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: --Spencer. Spencer. You've probably heard the earlier conversation with Mr. DeLeon, and of course, you know, the idea of arranging the chairs on the Titanic is tough.

MR. SPENCER: I know.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: You know the list in Public Works is probably the longest that we get. As Council members, we're constantly bombarded with fix my road, cut the trees, fix the corners, cut the grass, you know, all of that stuff. So Mr. Goode has a tremendous plate, and so that may not be all that easy. But I'm really curious, the difference between your idea of 250,000 and 2 million cannot be just permitting, I mean there's stuff. What...

MR. SPENCER: Well maybe it's 400.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Can you share?

MR. SPENCER: I'm just...I just know that if we ran it through a nonprofit and we twisted some arms and we got some people in the community to do things for a little less here and a little less there or donate this, you know, the real costs are some paving material and stuff. And I mean that's just how I would approach it --

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: So you're thinking...

MR. SPENCER: --is just do everything I could to try and get everybody involved to get it done.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: So you're thinking probably a lot of in-kind?

MR. SPENCER: Not a lot but enough, yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Enough to make it happen.

MR. SPENCER: And also I mean we all know that the private sector can do it for less and in a more timely manner just because of the way the system is. It's systemic, right. And so...yeah. And I have great faith in David Goode in being able to figure something like that.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Well we'll talk to him about his chairs this morning. Thank you.

MR. SPENCER: Yeah, thanks, Gladys.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Members, any more questions for Mr. Spencer? Thank you again --

MR. SPENCER: Thanks, Joe.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: --Henry, for bringing that subject up. I remember you brought it up several months ago --

MR. SPENCER: Thanks.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: --and Mr. Goode had agreed. So --

MR. SPENCER: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: --thank you. Okay. Members, Mr. Henry Spencer was the last person to sign up for public testimony. Is there anyone in the gallery that want to provide public testimony? Seeing no one coming to the podium, without any objections, the Chair will close public testimony.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: No objections.

*...END OF PUBLIC TESTIMONY...*

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

CHAIR PONTANILLA: We're going to start this morning with CIP, but before we start with the first project if, Mr. Goode, you have opening comments to make, comments on the bikeway.

MR. GOODE: Good morning, Mr. Chair --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Good morning.

MR. GOODE: --and Members of the Budget Committee. It's my pleasure to be here today and discuss the Department's priorities for the coming fiscal year. I think on the bikeway, it is going to be discussed in the CIP a little bit, so we can discuss it there. But in general, you know, we've been fortunate through Ms. Cochran's Committee, Infrastructure Management, to be able to present some general Departmental initiatives and what we've been working on, so I think, you know, the Members have a pretty good idea of what we've been doing. And so that's really going to limit my remarks to just looking forward to getting through the Budget with you and answering your questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, good. Thank you. The first project on the CIP that we're going to review is 3-147 or Page 3-147 which is Countywide Drainage Improvements.

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MR. GOODE: Okay. So --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. GOODE: --for me, yeah. Yeah, this particular item, Members, is what we've done in previous years. These funds allow us to tackle small drainage projects throughout the County. They come up periodically. Most of these designs are in-house. Also most of these...and additionally, these funds would go to supplement other projects where we...maybe we...could be a resurfacing project or, you know, it's a drainage issue. We do amendment with the contractor and do some improvements, but if it's drainage related these are the funds that we use. That's it.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. So there's no specific projects that you're looking at? It's generally wherever the problem is, that's where you go?

MR. GOODE: Correct. I mean one project I know that's being designed in-house that we're working with is on Uluniu Street in Kihei. Right there is...by the VFW, real flat and there's actually a drain inlet that we...some neighbors helped us locate, and we've been cleaning that out. It actually worked better in the last rain we had, but the outlet is actually like in the sand. So we're looking at some options there and that's an in-house design. That would be...more than likely would be funded through this project...through these funds.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White, you got any questions on this particular area?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Why would you ask us to fund, hearing the description? And I understand the justification, Director Goode, and I think it's a good thing. But why would you ask me for bond instead of cash? You know it's hard for me to give you a bond authorize for things I don't even know it's going to be spent on although I know the general parameters. So why wouldn't you ask me for cash?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Baz or Mr. Goode.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair, Mr. Hokama, I understand your question. The...I guess the idea of the longevity of these improvements is what would determine whether it would be bond or cash. There was...I think the Department's initial request was to have the design and construction in Bond, but we found that there was enough Highway Fund cash to put at least the design into cash

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instead of the design and construction. And so I guess to...the short answer is your...the longevity of the project. Even though it may not be specifically identified for a certain drainage project itself but Countywide drainage is in general.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Well, you know, my concern again, yeah, is that...and that's why my thing is I'm willing to consider raising revenue and upping taxes, because eventually we're going to have to do it. And I'd rather pay it upfront without the interest cost than raising the tax later to pay the bond off on a longer term with the interest. And I think it's more fair to the taxpayer to know what the bill is upfront and know its impact so we can budget accordingly, they can understand how we're going to be taxing them in the future. But, you know, again, gentlemen, while I appreciate the project scope and whatnot, we're going to need to work together, because again, I am not comfortable with the debt load that this Department is asking for. Thank you. Thank you, gentlemen.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Mr. Goode, on...you mentioned that some of this...the Uluniu for instance was going to be designed in-house. When you design stuff in-house do you actually put the man hours and whatnot dollars towards that project as opposed to your general operating salaries? I mean you're paying those guys anyway, so do you charge that...their time to that project?

MR. GOODE: I don't believe that we keep an hourly, you know, tracking like say a private firm might do, where they would in the interim bill out their customers maybe on an hourly rate or based on some project costs. All our Engineering Division is General Fund, so their salaries are covered by the General Fund.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: So when you say you...the design cost would go into this, what cost would be taken into this \$1.5 million?

MR. GOODE: I think what Mr. Baz was referring to in general like for other projects, a lot of our design costs are cash and the construction is Bond, because the construction has a 20-year plus service life.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. In Fiscal Year 2012 we have appropriated \$2 million for this. Was that done by Bond or was that done by General Fund or Highway Fund?

MR. GOODE: I'm sorry, which one?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: The 2 million, last...this current year's appropriation.

MR. GOODE: I don't...no idea.

MR. BAZ: If you look in the first column on the bottom of that page, it's all Bond.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, yeah I see that, right, current appropriation. So we've done the Bond, then we did it last...this current Budget, so...

MR. BAZ: Yeah. Historically this has been a project that has utilized Bond funds to pay for it.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. And then of that \$2 million, how much have we encumbered or spent so far?

MR. GOODE: In FY '12?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah.

MR. GOODE: I don't have those numbers.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Do you anticipate spending it all?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, in general. In FY '11...I should have the final numbers here a little later this morning, but we were over 90 percent of all the funds you folks allocated were encumbered or spent.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. And then last question. You did allot \$500,000 off of that. Is that because of either Carryover or you anticipate not being able to do all the projects?

MR. GOODE: Well again these are projects some of which we planned for and others we don't. For instance we could have another big rainstorm and wash out some drainage infrastructure.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. GOODE: We didn't plan for it but these funds are there available to tackle those problems as they come up.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair? Oh.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Oh, Mr. Baz.

MR. BAZ: Sorry. Just a little further answer to that question, 'cause I think that was my office that did that. Was that we looked at the other drainage projects that we're doing and the total level of drainage we're doing, and so if you look at, you know, the...as we get through the CIP there are

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a lot...significant other drainage projects that we're funding separately for specific projects. So that might be why we reduced the Countywide.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you, Chair. Yeah, I mean there's a dollar amount at the end of the six-year span, and I would just like to get a better idea of what is anticipated. I mean there must be some type of idea of why you're going to need all these monies in these consecutive years coming up. I understand things happen and you gotta, you know, attack it at that point, but, you know, I'm just looking at West Maui, Lower Road in particular and things of that nature that there's an ongoing, you know, plea for some improvements there. And I know the State has involvement in these situations too, but, you know, I'd just like to get a better idea of where this is all headed. And, yeah, once it's addressed I believe these are very long term, you know, the lifespan of these types of projects are long term and which is good, but I just think...luckily we're coming up on the summer season where we're not going to have as much rain and runoff and flooding and things of that nature at this point. But, you know, I'd just like to get a more clear picture of why we will be asked for all these millions of dollars throughout the upcoming years. And so that's just my overall take on this 10.9 million within the next, you know, next ensuing six years. So thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. I think, Mr. Goode, that...well for me, you know, if project specific, you know, I feel more comfortable, but really, you know, if things happen out there, you need to act. And I see your point in regards to, you know, areas being flooded and if we need to take care of it on a Capital Improvement side then this will allow you to do that. But I think for me, you know, I feel more comfortable if project specific, especially the big ones. But the everyday type, repair and maintenance type, you know, I leave it up to the Department, so just my own comments. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thank you, Chair. I share your sentiments.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Carroll?

COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL: No, not on this one. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. The next project is on Page 3-154. Countywide Facility Building Improvements. Mr. Goode.

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MR. GOODE: Okay. Members, this is, you know, related primarily to this campus and the ongoing work that goes here, and we've identified some elevator upgrades, leak repairs, accessibility upgrades, security improvements, structural repairs, and various renovations that happen from time to time on the various floors. There's rarely a month goes by that we're not doing some activity on this campus, and most of it's...probably half of it's planned, some of it's unplanned. For instance, we just fixed a water leak under the Kalana Pukui Building. That certainly wasn't planned, but that's one of those that fortunately the Water Department helped notify us. And it took a little while to isolate that leak and fix it, but that takes time, it takes money, and having these funds allows us to, you know, keep this campus functioning so we can all do our work.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Carroll, you got any questions? Bob, questions? You got questions to this particular project?

COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL: Actually, yes. Thank you, Chair. On these ...*(clears throat)*... excuse me, building improvements, would this ...*(clears throat)*... I am sorry. Would this be for like our community centers too? ...*(inaudible)*...

MR. GOODE: No, that would probably be a Parks item. This is primarily for this campus.

COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Very much in support of a fund. I think this building is definitely aging and constantly needs help, so I think it's a good idea. And I'm glad to see it's cash, so it's okay.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, thank you. I just the...due to the sheer age of these structures, this is definitely needed, so, good.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Director, can you...would you be able to share with the Committee what you did with the approximate \$2.2 million that...from...includes this year and prior years' encumbrances or expenditures? Would you know what we spent those monies on?

MR. GOODE: I was here for a year of it, but what I recollect, there was some floor renovations, ninth floor, the third floor. There was some fire sprinkler upgrades, it's ongoing ninth floor, now the rest of the floors.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So this is where ninth floor got renovated from, this fund?

MR. GOODE: I believe so, I'm not positive, but this is the type of activities that have been going on in the buildings. We've been working at the Old Court House on some roofing, they had some leaks in there. We did some temporary repairs, and we got a bigger project coming up to fix that. Did some paving on a portion of the parking lot. We wanted to pave the rest of it soon here. We're trying to get some more ADA stalls as part of that. Like I had mentioned the leak repair. I think there was a big...wasn't there a chiller repair done a while ago? Yeah. And the prosecutor \_\_\_\_\_ the repair. So those are the types of activities that have happened recently.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you for your response to my question. You know, Director, for me what I'm hoping through this, you know, new...what we're trying to do with improving our Budget with the departments and the Council is I would like us to work so that it's very clear what is a Capital Improvement Project versus a maintenance project. And I see things that for me in how I...my experience through private sector, a lot of these things is maintenance, and I would rather see it in your operations request because that's how my brain works. And so I hope, gentlemen, you would try help us be able to break it out, 'cause I don't have a problem supporting a maintenance request either because it makes sense on an aging asset, I understand that. But Capital Improvements for me in general is something new or a complete replacement. You know in my perspective that is a Capital Improvement Project, and again, gentlemen, I can support those, you know, reasonable requests also. And so that's my only, you know...not a question, or a consideration I would ask you folks to help us work to move forward, because I would rather have a very clear picture what is our maintenance costs versus our requests for new and...or replacement that qualifies for a Capital Improvement. So I appreciate that, gentlemen, thank you.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. BAZ: Thank you. Actually the discussion came up yesterday --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Oh, I'm sorry. Thank you.

MR. BAZ: --a little bit with the Water Department in what is operational maintenance and what is Capital, and there is not a clear definition of that. And I think I would like to work with the Policy Committee. My office and management struggled with that definition and what to consider things, and one of the considerations why this request is for...is cash is because that...of that specific reason, is that it's more like a maintenance item than a Capital new investment.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Well thank you, Mr. Baz, I appreciate that comment. Thank you.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Baz, just a fast comment for you. When I was with the phone company, anything that is either repaired and...or maintenance type work we used to call them modernization, you know, removing whatever that need to be replaced or maintained, yeah, with new stuff. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mister...Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Okay. Next project is on Page 3-158. Again it's Disabilities Act (ADA) Improvements. Countywide.

MR. GOODE: Yes, Mr. Chair, Members, again, this is another Countywide program that allows us the continued flexibility to address ADA issues as they come up. We've been actually working quite a bit on our own facilities, but also we helped with police station and some fire station improvements recently. That's it.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Carroll, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL: Thank you, Chair. Mr. Goode, this...you know what, I'll give it in writing later.

MR. GOODE: Fair enough.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yes, thank you very much, Chair. Mr. Goode, what will half a million dollars buy in ADA improvements? It doesn't seem like an awful lot of money. Just give us an idea.

MR. GOODE: Well let's say we do a curb ramp, those could probably run between five and ten thousand dollars each, so that would buy, what, 50 to 100 curb ramps, for instance.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: The reason I ask you the question is we have a squeaking request from Upcountry, Maui, as you know, in Makawao and strong outcry for ADA accessibility, and I know we're talking about a great deal of money. So I was wondering, you know, would this even nibble at any of it even including design or whatever?

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MR. GOODE: On that particular issue, a lot of it is in private property, so we wouldn't be utilizing these funds for that. But if there's existing curb ramps, that would be one place where we would definitely utilize these funds, if for whatever reason they're not functioning. My recollection is all that area has curb ramps already where we have sidewalks approaching intersections. There might be instances where there's driveways that are under our control that might be under an old design, and in the old design if you go through from a sidewalk approaching the driveway it slants all of a sudden. The newer driveway designs are flat around the top. We did that project actually on Front Street recent...this last year as an example of doing that, so that's the types of projects we would utilize the funds for.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Okay. I realize there's a lot of work to be done but we got to start somewhere. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Member Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. And thank you, Ms. Baisa, for bringing that up. It is...I think all of our offices have heard that outcry. And so for the 500,000, how do you, how are you setting priorities on this? I mean can people from the public petition a certain amount, you know, to address concerns in their particular neighborhood? 'Cause I...you might recall by Napili Fire Station and that Hanawai Street and the sidewalk there and a lady and her son having concerns, and I believe I was told 45,000 for that curb cut. So the five to ten thousand, I'd like to jump on that price right now. But so, you know, I'm just trying to figure out how someone can dig into this 500 grand here for concerns in their community.

MR. GOODE: Yes, in general, you know, through our RFS program that we have Countywide, we absolutely rely on the residents, you know, to tell us what's going on in their neighborhoods. We can't be everywhere on our almost thousand lane miles of road, so we really do rely on folks. Like you we get a lot of requests for, you know, like hey, what about parking, no parking in this area, you know, something's changed in the neighborhood, and we respond to those requests. And some of those requests are ADA related, and so like the ones that you mentioned by Napili Fire Station. I mean we rely on folks to let us know about that. It allows us to investigate it. Okay, if that makes sense then we do a quick in house project and these funds would get utilized for that.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. You know we were talking about the sidewalks in Makawao. Is Makawao is considered Urban or is it Country Town or Rural?

MR. GOODE: That sounds like a loaded planning question. For us...so I'll answer from a Highway perspective, it's Urban at least in the core, town core.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: In the town core, so we...our standards there are sidewalks then? And the --

MR. GOODE: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: --sidewalks are not ours?

MR. GOODE: Well most of them are. In that area along Baldwin Avenue on the Haiku side, majority of that's in private property. The private property extends halfway into the diagonal parking stalls, so everything --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, wow. Okay.

MR. GOODE: --store side of that is private. But if one is developing or redeveloping any buildings in that area, they'd be under the Urban standards which would be curb/gutter/sidewalk, as may be modified by the historic...not the historic district, excuse me, Business/Country Town guidelines for that area.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Chairman, thank you. I knew the...know...excuse me, I know later, Director, we have other components of your countrywide [*sic*] program including sidewalk improvements. This is...and again, if you, you know, mention it to another Member's earlier comment or question, forgive me. But this is just something that is required from a Consent Decree? Or as, you know, Parks comes to us for ADA compliant because it's part of a Consent Decree commitment that we need to fulfill. Is this something based on a Consent Decree also in your understanding of the request?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, Mr. Hokama, my understanding is that we're pretty much done with our Consent Decrees. We had one, you know, 12-15 years ago we were spending a million dollars a year and that was for all the curb ramps Countywide. We recently assisted, you know, the Police and Fire, and I think there were some other County facilities and some ADA improvements that were...another Consent Decree related. I think Parks may have one too, I'm not sure. But since we recently completed these other ones, I mean as of a month or so ago, we were done. So knock on wood, I don't expect any more Consent Decrees, and by having these funds, you know, we're chipping away at the ongoing issues so we don't come under another Consent Decree.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Well then I hope you would consider since I'm sure you hear about it, and again your division or your district on Lanai, you know, I have to again commend you and your personnel on Lanai. You know they've been doing a great job, especially with some of the heavy rains we've had in the past few months. The ability of the roads, the drainage to more

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efficiently handle the sheet flow, so I just feel to acknowledge. I want you to know I acknowledge the good work your people do for all of us.

MR. GOODE: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: But I hope as part of this and I know it could be part of the sidewalks, but I bring it up because it's coming from a group on Lanai that has some accessibility issues and that's the 8th Street/Fraser component, which is, you know, next our old Police station facility between the Catholic and Union church, that graveled area on the sidewalks to enter into what is the County's recreational Little League field component. And so I would just ask you to, you know, look at that project, if this would qualify for that. Again if there's a need for additional monies, you know, people like me, I'm willing to find ways and fight for it, including if I need to consider raising taxes to pay for growing community needs. So if you would look at that, and if you tell me it's way more than the \$500,000 I'm asking you for, then at least I know and I can explain to our community that this is a project that can be considered but it'll take a lot more resources than is available, and are we willing to pay for it. So I would appreciate that.

MR. GOODE: Okay. Well we can certainly look at that. I don't know if we've priced out that project, but your general point I think is worth commenting on. Because we do...we will be talking about Countywide sidewalks here in a little bit. We do...I'm...we're envisioning new sidewalks in Urban areas that don't currently have them. Well at some end they gotta connect to the roadways. That's where, you know, the curb ramp portion comes into play, and maybe we would supplement those projects with this ADA funding.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah.

MR. GOODE: So again, having that flexibility allows us to meet those fiscal demands of these projects where we can say, okay, here's our Countywide funds, and look, hey this portion here is ADA, okay, boom, tackle that Index Code on here, you know, get it done.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And that's why I'm happy to, you know, work with you and your divisions, and only my issue is there because you go from a macadamized paved County road, then you have the side, wide gap and then it's all gravel that enters our property. So that graveled condition is of concern to not only myself but the community, and I know your, you know, your people do the best they can, you know, Director. And so again if there's ways we can work it out and find ways to, you know, I need to support you better, you know, please let me know.

MR. GOODE: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Members, Chair is going to call one minute recess. I do have an appointment and Mr. Hokama will be chairing the meeting from now until noon. So short recess. ...*(gavel)*...

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**RECESS: 9:52 a.m.**

**RECONVENE: 9:53 a.m.**

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: ...*(gavel)*... The Budget and Finance Committee shall reconvene. Members, your temporary Chair would like to propose this, and with no objections, we shall do so. I prefer that we take our mid-morning break now for ten minutes, return, and then we power our way through 'til the noon hour. After which time during the mid-day break, Chairman Pontanilla shall return to continue to conducting this Committee meeting on all our behalf. So is there any objections to that?

COUNCIL MEMBERS: No objections.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Then we shall stand in recess 'til five after 10:00. ...*(gavel)*...

**RECESS: 9:54 a.m.**

**RECONVENE: 10:12 a.m.**

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: ...*(gavel)*... The Budget and Finance shall return to order. Thank you, Members. Members, may I please direct you to the CIP component of Page 3-167, and that is under Countywide...Countywide Road Resurfacing. The current request before you from the Highway Fund is for \$5.5 million. So, Mr. Baz, Mr. Goode, your comments, please.

MR. GOODE: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Chair. This is our bread and butter. This is the monies that we use for Countywide resurfacing. This was increased last year from FY '10 or '11, '11 was maybe 3.2 or something like that, now we're at 5.5. We've started those projects and we want to continue at this funding level, 'cause this is really going to make a dent in getting at our roads that need our resurfacing. I think you've seen the results of already some of the roads that we've started doing, and as I presented in the Infrastructure Management Committee recently, you know, based on our costs, you've seen what those costs are, we can get a lot more done. And, you know, I think our Department is thrilled that we have this amount of funding. You know we know we can get this work out, and we look forward to doing it again in FY '13.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Before I ask the Committee for their...this is also...how much...this is tied somehow to your equipment request for the Division in your Department, Mr. Director, in a sense that with the equipment and with this funding, the ability to perform then and achieve the performance marks that, you know, you folks wish to achieve. Is that somehow tied together? So should we be in our, you know, deliberations toward decision making, view the equipment and this request maybe in a bigger combined picture? Or should we still view it separately?

MR. GOODE: I think for discussion purposes you can probably view it separately, but I could maybe quickly outline how they are tied together. This year with the approximate 5.5 that we have, we

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are allocating half a million dollars directly to our Highways Division for them to go pave using our existing paving equipment, which as we all know is thirty-seven, -eight years old. So they do a pretty good job we've all found with that existing equipment. They're paving right now Kaluanui Road and then we're going to do a portion of Pulehu Road with the \$500,000 we've allocated. We want to do that again next year. We do have equipment...new paving equipment proposed in this Budget, so we will be talking about that later today. It's going to take a while to get that equipment, you know, to procure it and to go through any bid challenges, et cetera, to actually receive it, get it ready to go on the road, et cetera. So we do want to deploy that equipment to help with these funds, and if all goes well we might allocate internally more money to Highways Division.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. I'll ask and start with our subject matter chair, Ms. Cochran.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you, Chair. And, yeah, every district count would like to see road resurfacing. And, you know, we had discussion in regards to the, I guess, unaccounted for roads or roads that people, you know, through the years have become not owned or...no one's taken responsibility per se for them. I'm just curious if you had pursued in any way to sort of I guess document, account, count them, figure out perhaps which ones could possibly be taken under our wing to sort of address this upcoming year at all?

MR. GOODE: It's definitely a fair question. We've started primarily... 'cause each road is very unique, has a unique set of circumstances in terms of ownership or lack thereof and the road condition it's currently in. Actually right now in your district we're looking at Puukolii Road which we're finding that maybe, you know, whatever we thought was there previously wasn't as bad as we thought. I'm still doing...we're still doing research on it. And also currently in the Legislature there's a concurrent resolution being proposed to send a concurrent resolution that asks the Department of Transportation to work with Maui County in identifying in particular old abandoned government roads, categorizing them and I guess hopefully trying to resolve that long-standing issue. The old abandoned government roads are different than say Puukolii Road in terms of ownership, but it is a gnawing problem that we want to get at. So we've been watching that legislation, and if that happens then there's going to be a full effort from both departments in that regard.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Very good. Sounds promising. Can you maybe contact my office to clue us in in exactly what those are at the State Leg, and perhaps we can chime in too?

MR. GOODE: Sure, can do that.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you, Ms. Cochran. I'll go to our lady next to you. Ms. Baisa?

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COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Thank you very much, Chair. And of course this is the hot topic and certainly a priority in everybody's district, Mr. Goode. And I want to thank you for the work that's been done, and I certainly think that it's a good use of our money. My question for you is in the project justification you mention that you decide how these roads get chosen according to a priority listing established by pavement management software program with field observations, and I'm wondering if that list is available for us to take a look at?

MR. GOODE: I believe it is.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: I'd appreciate it if we could get that, Chair, so that we can kind of see what's planned.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. We will forward that request and work with Director Goode to get that information back to you --

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --and all the Members. Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Chairman, no question actually other than just to note that, you know, this...the Department has been real progressive in addressing the paving conditions of our roadways. When you consider that they're doing it with old equipment that was actually donated to this County and the training of our own personnel to actually maneuver and work it, it's quite impressive at this point. So I can appreciate the 5.5 as a starting point at this time, because they're accomplishing a hell of a lot for this County. And, you know, their work is really, you know, above, you know, reproach at this point. So full support of this. I would even be receptive to greater considerations at this point. Thank you.

MR. GOODE: Great.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Chairman. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you, Chair. Yeah, I love what you're doing, because I think it...it's going to give us the ability to do more paving than we would otherwise. And it also keeps the private contractors on their toes as far as their pricing, 'cause obviously we can't do all the paving ourselves. But one of the questions that...and you don't need to provide an answer now, but I'd like to see the cost that we are putting into our own costing. When we do the paving are we including amortization of the trucks and equipment, are we including the benefit load, et cetera, et cetera? So we're making an apples to apples comparison with the pricing from the private sector. The other question that, Chair, if you don't mind us asking, is I'd like to see...one of my concerns is that we're, you know, the roads in my district are all, you know, we get a lot of rain in Haiku and Makawao and not as much in Paia, but the water degrades roads faster than they do in Kihei and other areas. And I think it's important for us to have an understanding of how the increased expenditures in our transit system have impacted our

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Highway Funds, because in just a brief review, the amount of Highway Funds going to the transit system increased by about 90 percent over about a five year period, and it may be higher than that with this year's Budget. So if you don't mind, I'd like to have an accounting of what the Highway Fund was five years ago and what was the split in not just paving but bridge repair, drainage work and so forth. How much was spent there versus how much has been spent on the transit programs? Because I think depending as heavily as we have had to on the Highway Fund, I'm concerned that over time we haven't been spending as much on paving as we should have. And I think...and I'm, you know, I totally agree with the increased expenditures last year and again this year, but I'd just like to have a perspective on what impact that's had on our ability to take care of our roads. Because even with this, we're still way behind the eight ball and...in road conditions, and we hear it everywhere we go. So I'd just like to have a sense whether this is enough or whether we need to go and look for additional funds. And, you know, you brought up during testimony this morning well would you be willing to pay a little bit more in property tax to solve some of these problems and the challenge of pushing some of our expenses down the road by bonding some things that really should be dealt with in other ways. So if you wouldn't mind the Committee asking for that, I would appreciate it, because I just, I think it's something that's very important. And I want to give the Administration as much support in road repair as we possibly can.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I'll have the Staff...I think we might need a coordinated effort between Mr. Goode and his people and our Committee Staff, and I'm sure we can get some type of response back to the Committee, Mr. White.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Yeah. Just to put it into perspective, just in my own staff's quick review of the numbers, we are...in fact in 2006 we were at about \$12 million in repaving, bridge repairs, and safety improvements, and then it got down as low as 6 million. And with this year's Budget it looks like we're back up to 11.9, so we're...I think we're back to where we were quite a number of years ago. But I'm not sure it's high enough, Chair, so I'd just like that perspective.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah. Yeah.

MR. BAZ: And, Mr. Chair?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Baz.

MR. BAZ: My office can assist as well --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yes, we will ask for your --

MR. BAZ: --with that request.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --assistance too, Director.

MR. BAZ: Just looking at the Fiscal Year 2005 road project type of road projects, it was about \$11½ million for total roadway projects, these include bridges as well, right. This year we're proposing \$30.8 million in the same project type classification, so I understand your comments and I would like to see that analysis myself. As we look forward into that, we hope that we are providing both the need for, you know, roadway improvements through the funds that we've requested as well as to meet the community's needs in public transit from our Proposed Budget. But...

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: When you say 30 million, are you...what items are you including in that?

MR. BAZ: Roads and bridges. These are the road improvement project type, \$30.8 million. If you look at the capital summary, you can see the different project types.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. Okay, thank you. Thank you, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you very much. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Thank you. And I also want to support the work you have been doing, Mr. Goode, in your Department. What I'd like to know, you know, years ago we used to know how much per mile it costed [sic] us to pave, and we had one company and, you know, it was...you know I remember the figures were outrageous, like \$300 something per foot or something of that nature. Today, you know, I'd like to know what it's costing us. And Mr. Goode...I mean Mr. White brought up what he wanted added in. What I'd like to see, what the County with all those figures, how much per foot does it cost us, and how much these different companies charge us per foot? And again I understand different areas might be a little different. Like we've talked about, one of the biggest challenges is moving from Central to Upcountry or Central to West Maui. If we had a concerted effort and did like you said, Mr. Goode, ten roads in West Maui and all the equipment sat there, it just went from project to project right there, so you don't have that downtime, the load time, the transportation time, the unloading and all of that. So those factors also add to the cost. You know unfortunately a lot of times a road may be really bad in Lahaina and you gotta get it done, but there's a South Maui road that's really bad that needs to get done, Upcountry, et cetera. So it's really hard, you know, we talked about this years ago, right, Mr. Chair, doing it by district. Every year one district, all the roads done for that district. The problem comes up there's roads in every district that needs immediate attention, and that becomes a real difficult challenge. I like that concept in the sense of if every seven years or eight years a district would get done completely, yeah, then, you know, you're supposed to be good, right, for ten years. At least you hope for ten years, and you don't have these same problems. The slurry seal was supposed to be another answer to our challenges, especially in areas like Haiku where there's a lot of water, you know, so that's supposed to cover up. And also the sealing of the road--I'm sorry I'm having a hard time--sealing of the roadways

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which we have that done up, you know, in my district. All over Wailuku they have done this sealing, and that's supposed to help water from getting into the pavement which causes the potholes, right. And to a degree it is working, so, you know, we have so many dynamics out there. But what I'd like to see, the two questions along with what Mr. White asked, is how much per foot are we paying today with the different companies and what per foot the County can provide us? And, you know, of course we'll change when we get the new machine because the new machine will be more efficient, but with amortization and all that other stuff, it'll be a lot higher. So but that's what I think what people want to know is if we put 5 or 10 million, are we getting the bang for the tar that we lay down. Not the buck, the tar. You know are we doing what we can. And of course the white top that we were doing like we did in Kahului on Kam Avenue, I think that's another thing in the heavily traveled areas we can consider that more and more, because those roadways are so heavily traveled. I can tell you Kam Avenue now wonderful. Whenever there's big rains you don't see potholes because the white top it just right into the drains and out. So if you could, mister, add in that to our questions, how much this would cost. And then at these prices what would white top cost us, especially in the heavy traveled areas? You know the real heavily traffic roadways within Maui County, especially in Central and even Upcountry. You know where would white top be better suited than black top in the overall scheme of things? So all the questions you're hearing I think all of us are concerned, and we are really appreciative of what you folks are doing. And we'd like to give you all the money we can to help you do these things, but more, you know, like you did Iao Road for one mile. Now next Budget hopefully we'll finish all the way up to the park, the top of the park. So, you know, I appreciate all the efforts, but where can we assist them more is my question, Mr. Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you very much, Mr. Victorino. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. And, Mr. Goode, I noticed you talk about in your justification a priority listing established by pavement management software program with field observations. So you are going out and saying, you know, even though this road is newer it's traveled more and it's really bad, so are you adding extra to that priority when looking at the roads?

MR. GOODE: So you're talking about our equipment request?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Well, no, it's...under your project justification it says priority listing established by pavement management software program --

MR. GOODE: Right, right, right.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: --with field observation. So I'm assuming the observations are saying that even though the road is newer it's traveled more and it's being torn up more so it should be moved up.

MR. GOODE: Right. Or say something happens like a waterline breaks somewhere and that causes additional issues that happen from time to time, or maybe there's some kind of liquid spill on a road that wasn't part of the original evaluation. But we...not to jump ahead, but we will be requesting in our equipment budget to redo this because it's been five years. We need to do this on a five-year basis, so we'll be looking for funds to go back over all the roads again and reprioritize.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. And I agree with Mr. Victorino, as much as you can, stay in a district until you get the top two or three priorities there and then go to the next one. Are you doing it that way now or are you just going this one's first on the list in West Maui, then the next one is Upcountry, and then the next one is...

MR. GOODE: Well what we try to do is, you know, a few years back we had district funds, you know, each district gave some monies, and naturally we ended up lapsing more money because it was hard to, you know, stay within a district if you had...bids came in low or something. What we tried to do is we looked at those lane miles, and I think we presented this in IM Committee. Here's our total lane miles and here's our lane miles by district, and then try to say okay if you got in your particular district 20 percent of the lane miles, well you should get about 20 percent of the funds. So we're basically trying to allocate, you know, based on lane miles as much as we can. Unless there's, you know, an immediate safety issue we really should get at, but the idea is really is to spread it around so that everybody gets their fair share.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Just two comments, yeah, for the Director. One, again with the assistance of Mr. Baz and our CIP Coordinator, I hope part of the software benefits would be as we look at Water Department projects also. Because we get the calls when why did Public Works pave our road for Water Department to trench it up to, you know, do a pipe project later? So we understand the comment from our community, so part of it is again, while assisting you in the prioritization, I think coordination is also a key component of our project enhancement. And we just ask that that be part of the consideration when you do the district requirements, that, you know, work it out with Water, and if it makes sense to do one good contract and take care the subsurface and then the surface at the same project, I would just ask that you folks take those into consideration.

MR. GOODE: And we are doing that, Mr. Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Thank you very much.

MR. BAZ: Thank you. I see it also, Mr. Chair, as a cost savings.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: That's right.

MR. BAZ: If a Water Department project is getting done and we're not having to pay the contractor to go and put hot patch down where we're gonna just come back and repave it, I think would benefit us significantly and financially as well.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, so we appreciate those efforts, gentlemen. And the last, again, I don't know how we can...but by State statute the State has allowed that the...just for Molokai and Lanai that whatever Highway Funds or Gas Tax is generated on those islands does not go into a central pot, those funds must be spent on those specific islands. And I know Mr. Baz is aware of it, and again, I just share that because, again, you know, while we may not generate the amount, at least it's good to know what we are generating so our communities and our islands can at least understand what is their share of generation to assist the General Fund help or the other fund help from Maui island in making our roads, you know, improved also. So that would be very helpful from my perspective. Thank you. Okay, if there's anything else...I'd like to move on, Members, to 3-168 which is the Countywide Safety Improvements. And the Department, as I understanding, is requesting from the Highway Fund \$600,000. Mr. Goode, Mr. Baz.

MR. GOODE: Okay. Mr. Chair, the...this program again is kind of like the Countywide drainage. We get a lot of different projects here, guardrails, we've had requests for the speed feedback signs around schools, some shoulder widening, striping. A lot of...the types of the things that where we get the calls, we get the requests, people come in and say hey, could you do this or what about this...change...this condition has changed out in our area. These are the types of...this funding is used specifically for those requests. It also can be used at times to supplement existing projects where things pop up in projects that were unexpected or we realized hey, we're working this one street but that side street where we're working needs something and it's safety related, and then we tackle it with these funds.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you very much. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you, Chair. Mr. Goode, I did the walkthrough with Mr. Dan Burden, so I was just curious if your Department has incorporated any of his ideas and suggestions in regards to creating safer streets and things of that nature?

MR. GOODE: Well, we're waiting for his final report. We've started doing some investigation looking at these kind of lane diets of...well two things, either smaller lanes in certain areas or elimination of double yellow striping. And so we started doing some background investigation on our own as it relates to AASHO standards on that or MUTCD standards, but we're still looking for the final report. So I think once we see the final report and we see things that match up and things that we can work within those AASHO and MUTCD guidelines, we're looking to deploy some of those --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay.

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MR. GOODE: --suggestions.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, very good. I was quite impressed with his suggestions and very cost saving too. So, good. I'm looking forward to, you know, dialoguing more about that with you. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yes, thank you very much, Chair. And thank you, Mr. Goode. I've been talking and...with Representative Kyle Yamashita as well as yourself for some time now about the concern that Upcountry residents have for that turn...extra turn lane coming on Makawao Avenue and going onto Haleakala Highway. And in Representative Yamashita's newsletter to us recently, he mentions trying to get State funding to do that. Is there any possibility that any of this money could be used to partner with the State? I think it involves land acquisition and, you know, if it could be a partnership, maybe it could get done. It is a huge bottleneck getting onto Haleakala Highway because of all the schools there in that area in the morning and in the afternoon, it's a mess. So I was wondering if that was a possibility or maybe you can give us an update.

MR. GOODE: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Director?

MR. GOODE: Mr. Chair and Ms. Baisa, the status of that particular intersection is there was funding in a DOT budget in the last year or two. DOT's position was that this is more of a County issue, that our road, Makawao Avenue coming into that intersection, you know, just doesn't have...it's got a small left-turn lane, it's got kind of a nonexistent right-turn lane. They're saying hey, County, you gotta fix it. We see it as a joint project. We think it's really a DOT and our project, and so we've been working with Representative Yamashita and DOT, And last I saw and it's been maybe a month so I'm not sure what's happened in the Legislature for this year, they were going to look to rewrite that particular legislation so that it would be clearly a shared responsibility. If that legislation passes, our plan was to come back to you folks and say look, it's passed, and here's what we think our share should be. No, I did I think meet with you and Mr. White because your two districts are basically the two affected districts here. It sounded like you were supportive of, you know, us contributing, you know, pending of course on the full membership. But our goal would be let's see what the Legislature comes up with, and then I would work with Mr. Baz and the Mayor and to present you folks with something. But we see that as definitely something we want to do. But if we're improving it and they're not improving their intersection, it's just not going to work, we really need to work together as a team.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yeah, thank you very much. It very obviously is something that it's a partnership, but a really, really important consideration. Because every morning that, you know, people just go on the side of the road and they don't wait in the line, and it's really dangerous

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because they're making their own lane where there is no lane. And we're going to have a bad accident there someday. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you for that safety issue, Ms. Baisa. I mean we just see it in front of Wailuku Ele with that Kaohu Street intersection, so thank you for bringing that up. . . .(inaudible) . . .

MR. GOODE: Mr. Chair?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yes?

MR. GOODE: Could I add one more thing on that? So that's why we didn't put it in as a budget item here. So depending on, you know, so what the Legislature comes up with, and then we're...we probably come up with some intergovernmental agreement on who's doing what. We might be able to use this safety funds say for the first portion of it. Maybe the first portion of it is just doing some design work or maybe the first portion of it is some land acquisition on the makai side. But, yeah, we're hopeful that we can work together on this, because, you know, as DOT knows...and the Maui DOT folks know, they're pushing. You know their roadway backs up all the way to King K in the morning because of that intersection.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Right.

MR. GOODE: So our, you know, to move folks out it's going to help their system as well as ours.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yeah, thank you very much. If my office can be of any help, please let me know.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Ms. Baisa. Thank you, Director. Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions in this area.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I notice you have a list of all kinds of things you're doing in there. Now that we have our first County roundabout, could we see at least this discussion in...and consideration in there instead of just traffic signals?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Director?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Under your list of...the project description?

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MR. GOODE: Yeah. I think where it says traffic signals here, generally we have specific projects for intersection improvements, so this might be minor upgrades and the equipment --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, okay.

MR. GOODE: --that we get from time to time. But in general on any intersection that we are looking to signalize...and we have a traffic signal prioritization study that we follow. The first part we do is to analyze it, can a roundabout fit here, can a roundabout function here as it relates to the type of traffic that's coming in and out, does it coordinate with any existing driveways and other obstacles in the intersection? So we do that analysis, and obviously the results are showing that, you know, they're not going function in a lot of intersections, but if they can function and we can get...and we have or can get the necessary land, then, yeah, we definitely want to deploy it. Because I think the one that we just finished is working.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: It appears to be.

MR. GOODE: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: The other thing that isn't mentioned and I don't know if it's supposed to be mentioned here or somewhere else and that's our...we just came back with a resolution to form a Complete Streets policy. Is this where this would eventually be? I know this came out before that resolution was done, but is this the location or are you just going to have that ...*(inaudible)*...

MR. GOODE: You mean as far as funding goes?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Well...yeah.

MR. GOODE: Well we're working with the Planning Department now. We've...I just received the resolution. It was transmitted from the Mayor's Office, and so we've been working with the Planning Department on how we're going to implement this.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. GOODE: We haven't got very far yet in those discussions, but I foresee and I think Mr. Spence would agree with me that we're going to need some outside consulting assistance to put this together. And also we're going to be watching, I think Big Island and Kauai is a little farther along than we are, see what they're coming up with.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, yeah. Because there...I think we talked about a taskforce, 18-month taskforce or something like that in there.

MR. GOODE: Correct.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah. Okay, thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Victorino, do you have any questions in this area?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No, not at this time.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you very much. Let us move on, Members, to 3-172 which is the Countywide Bridge Improvements. And at this time the Department is only...is requesting a \$50,000 bond consideration. So, gentlemen, Mr. Goode, Mr. Baz, comments please.

MR. GOODE: Mr. Chair and Members, this is a pretty small fund. Again, it's just to supplement, you know, existing projects or if we have, you know, someone knocks out a guardrail next to a bridge then we could deploy these funds.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. I think we as a Committee should look at funding some cash for \$50,000. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you, Chair. Yeah, I'm kind of baffled at the very small amount that's being asked here, you know, 'cause just in my district alone I know there's huge concerns with certain bridges there. And I'm kind of jumping ahead to in particular Lower Road and the Kahananui Bridge which I thought was going to be within this Budget, and its justification for that particular bridge right now is saying that it is structurally deficient. You know an environmental...an EA was done it for and everything, so it sounds like it's very justified at this point. And I guess in a couple years, 2014 you'll be wanting to get 2.4 million from the Feds. I'm just wondering is that really going to be there in two years from now? So I just kind of want comments on in particular, you know, Phase IV Lower Road type of concerns that have been ongoing throughout the years, and a bridge...couple bridges...several bridges actually are within that scope and of that project. So I'd just like to get a little, you know, reassurance of what the planning and the process and strategy is here, so if I can get some elaboration on that, please.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you for that.

MR. GOODE: Okay. Yeah, for the Kahananui Bridge, yeah, we do have it programmed for Federal funding in FY '14, so there's no sense in putting it in Federal...any funding...matching funding into FY '13 for us. So we would look to come back in FY '14 to have the County matching funds. So we, you know, at the time, you know, our project is based on the availability of funding, in this particular case the Federal funding. And also as we move through the design process if we're not quite ready to ask for construction money then I don't want to come here and ask for construction money and lapse it. So our goal is to, you know, ask for the funding when it's appropriate. As far as the bridge being structurally deficient, I can't recall, you know, how deficient it is, but, you know, but our Hana Bridge has been structurally deficient for years. That's no excuse for not fixing them, but I guess to reassure your constituents that it's, you

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know, they should be...feel safe in traveling over it. We know it's deficient as it relates to its hydraulic capacity, its ability to pass water --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Right.

MR. GOODE: --under it, but, you know, we've...we know where...we know the status of all our bridges and, you know, we knock them off as we go. I mean we knock them off in terms of fixing them, but we're, you know, we're constrained about the amount of resource that we have available.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah. I mean it just elaborates about advanced deterioration of the structure itself, and I do know after heavy...the floods actually, as you say, it surpasses the height of this bridge, you know, when it floods in that area. So I mean I hope it's not going to be one of those emergency situations coming up, but I understand you need design and these funding and the timing of all that. But it just for me, you know, it's hard to tell the people who live on that road that hey well, you know, it's just not the right timing and sorry the bridge caved in as you drove over it. But, you know, hopefully it doesn't get to that. And, Chair, if you don't mind, I'd like to elaborate. I'm just addressing improvements. Basically I have a general question and it has to do with drainage road improvements, safety, bridges, you know, and just an overall budgetary concern. There's only two items for West Maui, and, Mr. Goode, I did send some increase to your Department in regards to the deferral agreements on this Lower Road Phase IV which has been ongoing. And I'm just curious, there's been money expended. There's been money...a million dollars this past year, but then there's going to be a lag in two years in regards to this project. And you're going to be looking for 4.5 million from the Federal government once again. So I just need to know right now where do we stand with these deferral agreements? Because I feel like this is a huge amount of money that can be put towards this budget in regards to CIP improvements.

MR. GOODE: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Before the Director responds, that is a very good question, Ms. Cochran, and I think it deserves a response, but I would like us to focus just on this specific CIP request right now. And I would ask the Director if you could respond to Ms. Cochran's question --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --but not at this specific point in time, please. I know I would support her that it needs to be responded to, but I would like to keep moving on, Members. We are on the \$50,000 request for the Bridge Improvements component.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, I'm sorry. I know I went off tangent, Chair, but...

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, no, no. And again we understand your passion and we appreciate that, you know, it's an important question, Ms. Cochran. So again, it deserves a response and I would like the Director to be able to give you a very thorough and accurate response --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --so allow him the time. And if we can just focus on this specific component at this time, I would appreciate that.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: I understand, Chair. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you very much. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: None.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Chairman, thank you. And once again I look at this particular request for \$50,000 primarily just for repair and maintenance, and that's a...to me that's what it is, repair and maintenance. And again, unfortunate...I don't really see this as a CIP, because structure already exists and we're just mending or doing minor repairs. Because that's how it's being described, minor to moderately complex repairs. So my two cents worth.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Same comment, and I would just add to your point that doing this with...doing \$50,000 out of a bond fund just doesn't seem appropriate.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Agree with the comments, and let's maybe make some necessary correction, Mr. Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch? Okay. Members, let us please continue to move forward. We...may I direct you to 3-173, Countywide. This is the Countywide Slurry Seal, and

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the Department is requesting a 500,000 consideration from the Highway Fund. Director Goode, Director Baz, your comments please.

MR. GOODE: Thank you, Mr. Chair and Members. This again it's not Countywide resurfacing, this would be Countywide slurry seal. We've been doing a number of projects. We just finished a project in Kihei that was I think 100 percent County funded. The ones we did on Lower Main, Kanaloa, and Mahalani were actually some ARRA funding we had available at the time, so there was Federal there. But in general these will be County funded, and we're also looking to purchase some slurry seal equipment so we can do some in house, but once that equipment gets here and we get trained, et cetera, on it, we might be able to take some of that money and send it towards our own guys by the...in this fiscal year, FY '13 time period.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you very much. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, just to get clarity. Slurry sealing, is that when you just like graze several inches off the top of existing road?

MR. GOODE: The slurry seal is taking the existing road, prepping it, not taking anything off of it but prepping the surface and then putting on...it's actually only about 3/8<sup>th</sup> to half an inch thick, and it basically seals. You know again it's another one like Mr. Victorino was talking about sealing and, you know, cracks, but it just puts on this nice layer that generally can be done on roads that are between eight and ten years old in terms of their last repaving. And it just extends the life significantly at a really low cost. So that's just another one of those tools in our tool bag to help extend the life of our roadways.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: And this 500,000 will take care of like how many road miles or how do you factor that in?

MR. GOODE: I'm trying to remember what we came...was it \$75,000 per lane mile was our cost on this? Or 50,000 is...I can't remember the exact number, but if it's in that ballpark then you're looking at 10 lane miles maybe.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. Thank you, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Help me understand this slurry seal thing. I happen to live with a gentleman who knows a little bit more about roads than I do, and as we're driving up Haleakala Highway--and I know that's not our highway--there's this ugly looking stuff that looks like somebody dribbled glue down the road. Is that what we're talking about?

MR. GOODE: Whereabouts are you...*(inaudible)*...

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COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Right as you get into the intersection right below the lower Pukalani part. You know they put this stuff on, but it looks like now it's uneven. It looks like somebody spilled something rather than a nice smooth surface.

MR. GOODE: Yeah. I think that was a slurry seal project that was done a number of years ago, and that was actually probably one of the first ones in Maui County. So I haven't had a discussion yet with DOT about it but it probably didn't last as long as they anticipated.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: But that should be an anomaly, that's not what it's supposed to look like, because every time we drive on it I hear it from my husband, this is ugly, don't use this.

MR. GOODE: Oh, drive on the other lane. Well I think it just got worn out, and so as it wears out...and it's only 3/8<sup>th</sup> to a half inch thick, that, you know, it started to come out in that areas. Now that road of course has much higher traffic than our roads and vehicle weights and number of vehicles per day, and also I think the technology has gotten a little better. And our...the contractors that get these bids I think do a better job with the adhesives that are put on.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: So obviously you like what you see?

MR. GOODE: Well the ones that we've done are fairly new, so we haven't gotten to that point yet. But I think on that one, I think there's a portion of the Hana Highway where the same thing happened. My hunch is that it didn't live up to their expectation, but I don't think that's a knock on the product because nationally it's been used successfully for many years. I think it was more of a learning how to do it process.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Okay. I'm asking because I don't want us to waste money on putting a Band-Aid down that comes off.

MR. GOODE: That's a good analogy, I agree.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yeah. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you. Just I have a...the same problem that Ms. Baisa has, because that section of road, it looks like the sealer didn't bond to the asphalt and...because it's just completely coming off. And if it was wearing, it would be wearing fairly evenly, but it's just simply coming off. So I appreciate your comments, and I agree, let's not have Band-Aids that come off in the water.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. White. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I happened to meet Mr. Cajigal when the question was brought up, because not only that road but South Kihei...I mean North Kihei Road and a number of other State projects. And I, you know, because...and I brought this to you, Mr. Goode, because I was concerned, hey the same question. Are we putting a Band-Aid that's going to come off real quick, hey we're wasting our time and effort, let's not do. Mr. Cajigal's response to me was three things happened. One, the contractor who applied it didn't do it properly. Two, they realized that if there's any oil or any other...that's why it has to be done pretty quick after it's repaved. If you leave more than two years of wear on it, oil, any animals that may have...any kind of foul...or anything on the surface will then deteriorate. In other words, when they put the slurry seal, the slurry seal will come right off and that's what happened. And the third thing was that the contractor was actually going to go back on a couple of these projects to redo with a different compound, because the compound they find is not working on the State highways. Now and I don't know if you've talked to Freddy, and I would recommend you talk him to make sure. But those were the three reasons he gave me that we have all of these State roads, State highways that have these big gaps and, you know, just almost like all...and in certain areas it's just completely come off. And it looks ugly and it also kind of when you're driving, you know, you kind of feel the difference, because even that 3/8<sup>th</sup> of an inch to half an inch thick makes a difference when you're driving. So before the State gets into more litigation, they're supposed to be redoing some of these roadways and, you know, being more careful. But that...Mr. Goode brings a good point up as far as when we do, we should do them soon after they've been repaved, you know, because that's the best time to do it because then you have the new surface. And it's like when you have your house brand new wood, you paint right off of brand new wood is probably the best time. After two or three coats, it don't always stay as well and doesn't last as long. So I support what Mr. Goode is doing with the slurry seal, I've seen the benefits within my district, also the sealing and that's a different subject. But these are things that can prolong the usage of our roadways so that we don't have to go back every so many years, which we have a tendency not to go back anyhow 'cause we don't have no money to do it, so we wait 'til the road gets real bad. So thank you, Mr. Goode. I hope that puts a little light in everybody's mind in what is going on as far as the slurry seal issue is concerned.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you very much, Mr. Victorino. Okay, thank you. We'll move on. And the Chair is happy that...on the comments the Committee...questions asked and the comments regarding slurry seal since, you know, not any of us understand that. But as we move to the next one, Members, 3-174 which is the Countywide Speed Hump/Speed Table Program, and the Department is requesting 500,000 from the Highway Fund, I would like to ask if you could focus more on the request amount and your concerns, whether or not it's sufficient or insufficient. Because I'm sure Mr., Chair Pontanilla is going to task me how much I got accomplished during his absence. So if you would assist your temporary Chair in that manner. Ms. Cochran?

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. Just so that...I'm looking at the anticipated life, 30 years, and even the slurry seal it said 30 years. So once applied that road is good for 30 years. The speed hump/speed tables also? A single speed hump or speed table has this anticipated life of 30 years?

MR. GOODE: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: And I guess following up on Chair Hokama's focus, 500,000, like what...I guess how much is a speed hump or a speed table, or does it vary?

MR. GOODE: It...Ms. Cochran, it does vary but not a whole lot. We've been getting less speed hump requests over the years I think because a lot of them got 'em already, but we're getting more speed table requests. The ordinance that we have, it talks about speed humps, and they are different. You've all driven over them. One you can go over faster, those are for collector roads. Speed humps are for residential roads. And so we asked to re-title this program, speed hump and speed tables, but since speed tables don't really have a process whereby the community comes and says hey, can you do my road and we have 80 percent of the neighbors sign it. It's more technical in terms of the type of collector road it is and should it be placed on it or not. So we've had a number of requests however, and we've done some analysis and we think they're warranted. And so what we wanted to do in this particular appropriation is to list those roads. So I think it's important to note that you see the roads are listed here. These are the ones that we intend to use with this money, and these are the ones where we've had existing requests, some of you may be aware from your constituents, and we're ready to deploy that. But it's a little different than the traditional speed hump program.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: And so I see the roads that you're intending to use this for, and I mean I think...did you say about twenty, twenty-five thousand per at one time? . . .(inaudible). .

MR. GOODE: Yeah, I think that's...I'd have to go double check.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Something like that?

MR. GOODE: But it could be with striping, signage, and if we have to...sometimes we actually pave a portion of the road if it's in really bad shape between the speed humps.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. And do you have off the top of your head where in particular on Front Street?

MR. GOODE: I'm trying to remember. 'Cause we had one down by Kenui currently and the other one by Prison I think, right, by the school. I can't remember where this one is, I could find out and get back to you.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: All right, thank you.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: We'll get that information.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: We'll assist you in that information.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No comment on the amount, Chair. I'm not a fan of speed humps. I find they're more launching ramps in my...where I drive, but people feel they're important and I guess they do work a little bit. So let's do what we can.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions on the amount. And I still have several speed humps on Hanamu Road I'd be happy to donate to any other district.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: There's a number I would love to donate, but let...moving on. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. And, Mr. Goode, I notice Kaiwahine Street is on there, and if you...I don't know if you recall, we had a project that had a 201H that came through here. And one of the requirements was for them to repave Kaiwahine Street. Are you anticipating them repaving it before you put the speed tables on, or are you going to put them on there and then have them remove them and then them put 'em back?

MR. GOODE: Well I think if we do it first, again that's based on a project that we don't know when it may or may not happen, and the issue --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Well they have five years.

MR. GOODE: --exists now, the issue exists now, the request. So what we'd probably do is put it in now, but put it in such a way that they could pave up to it and not have to take it out.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, okay.

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. That's even better. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Just one request, Director. The parameters and requirements that would qualify for either a speed table or speed humps, I would ask if you would see a review if it makes sense to make certain adjustments depending upon the area. Like for Lanai, you know, when you say Fraser Avenue, the Department's view is the complete whole length of our avenue, and so for get 80 percent of that whole avenue versus maybe a smaller street somewhere else on Maui island. Again, I just ask for that, you know, review and consideration since it comes to me a lot on Lanai.

MR. GOODE: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So I ask if that consideration. Thank you. Let us move on to 3-175 which we had testimony on this morning. Under Countywide, Countywide Bikeway Improvements, we have a Departmental request of 300,000 from the Bikeway Fund. Mr. Goode, Mr. Baz.

MR. GOODE: Mr. Chair, this is consistent with prior year fundings. Of course we just finished a portion of a bikeway near the roundabout. We're in the process of...we started design of the next section of that particular bikeway path I think up to the school or maybe up to the entrance of the park, I can't recall which. And also the one that was testified on today, we've initiated design. And then the final project is Waipuilani project which is behind the condos there from Waipuilani Beach Park up to Kulanihako'i Road, which is also I think a item we're talk about a little bit later if I recall correctly. So we have a variety of projects and needs in this area.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. I'm going to change it up a little and start with Mr. Mateo at this time, if he has any questions.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Chairman, I actually have no questions on bike lanes. My only concern with bike lanes, Mr. Goode, is if it's on the same surface as a roadway, it becomes like a magnet to the bikes. You know to me it's just like they shouldn't be sharing the same surface, and as long as it's away then I think that is where our planning should be. Take the lanes out of the roadway and just make it safer altogether. And, yes, it's more costly, but we see how successful it is, especially in that road going to Kihei where there is a separate lane aside from the roadway, that is so safe. The current system that we have, even when I see bicycles going down Kaahumanu, it's like, you know, you start to get worried about them coming onto the roadway. So I...my own personal I guess preference is not having them share the similar surface as automobiles.

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

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COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: That's it.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Mateo. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: I have similar concerns to the Chairman's. And I also agree that if we're going to be serious about getting people out of cars, we need to put a little more money towards this, as suggested by the testifiers this morning. I think one of the challenges we have is that the design and permitting process affects this process as well. So again, Chair, we just end up spending extra money because of the processes that we've made ourselves adhere to, and some of them are certainly necessary. But, you know, when you're dealing with something like bikeways, I don't know, it just, you know, what's the environmental impact or why do we need Environmental Assessments and all kinds of other things. Maybe we don't need them for some of this, but anyway, I don't need a response. But I just...move on.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: I can concur that I think our own permitting process sometimes really hinder ourselves, but that is the system we're in and until that changes there's not much else we can do. And I agree with Mr. Mateo, real quickly. When we have room let's move the bikeways off of the roadways, and I think that's very, very important whenever and wherever we have room. The challenge is we don't have a lot of room, and many of our County roads already are substandard and too narrow as they exist today. So it's really a darn if I do and darn if I don't kind of situation at this point, yeah. But I can support the funding, and if there is more money I would love to start giving more money towards this effort. Thank you, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. You heard...Mr. Goode, you heard the testifier saying that he got a very preliminary bid of 2 million or an estimate of 2 million for the half mile of bikeway. Can you expand upon that, please?

MR. GOODE: Sure. I haven't spoken with the staff yet about it, actually I only heard about it yesterday. But I think the testifier emphasized that it was very preliminary, and I think it's wise of our staff to be conservative and to in essence kind of, you know, under promise and over deliver. So I doubt it's going to be that much but I, you know, I'm not confident enough to say that it definitely won't be. Some of the reasons that it could be would be there's that drainage crossing by Baldwin Park. That's the same drainage way that, you know, it doesn't look very big but it delivers a lot of water. You know it floods out our beach park every year. We have to get over that. There's some grade challenges even along the road shoulder there as we, say, go around that water pumping station. There's also the fact that we're going to be up against the State highway in a number of locations and they need guardrails, double sided guardrails so that our bicyclists aren't impaled on the backside of the guardrail that we're going to have on a significant portion of that roadway. And I'm not sure what other obstacles might be in the way.

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All those things are going to cost money. Whether they're going to cost \$2 million or not, I really hope not. But until we go through the, you know, the design and actually flesh out all these issues, we won't know for certain. So when he says preliminary, it's a walkthrough, it's not based on a set of plans to look at and get some preliminary estimates from the design engineers. We haven't got that far yet. So we're not really in a position to even ask for construction monies yet. I think it's something we'll be looking for in the following fiscal year. I do know one of the testifiers, you know, thought that they could do it for a lot less, and we're certainly willing to just give the project to someone else if they want to do it, but like Mr. White said, I mean the permitting process. We've got, you know, potentially EAs, we definitely have an SMA to deal with. We have a design that, you know, it's gotta meet certain standards here that protects the County's liability in the long term, and it should be built to last. So let's all hope it's not \$2 million, and we'll strive to not make it that much, but it's really too early to tell.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. And thank you, Mr. Couch, for asking the question. The 300,000 right now, this is for design monies for the Waipuilani and Spreckelsville projects?

MR. GOODE: They've titled it really as supplemental funding, 'cause all those projects are in design. Waipuilani is pretty far along, I think most of the design is done. Spreckelsville has been initiated but not complete yet. The Piikea one I think we're just getting the contract. They've selected the designer and they're in the process of getting the contract.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: I have nothing to add. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. I will bring up one question and regarding the...with the Budget request, and I believe that was something brought up last night in Ms. Baisa's district. And I dealt with it in prior claims and settlements on the County, and it's this concern like on Baldwin Avenue, the commercial bike tours and the concern of safety. Either we do turnout or pullout areas or better widths of bike path lanes. I hope that is something your division and you are...will keep in mind, 'cause I don't mind putting up additional money upfront and beefing up this financial request to reduce the exposure and potential litigation costs of lawsuits against the County. And so I just share that. That is something I think that was brought up in Upcountry last night regarding safety not only to the cyclists but how it impacts our resident motorists. And so, you know, I would appreciate if that would be part of your consideration, Director.

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Sure.

MR. GOODE: If I may add to that, Mr. Chair, the FY '11 Budget I think appropriated some funding for that project, and we've initiated an Environmental Assessment. So they've just started some of the initial work on that. And so it's potentially this 300,000 could be used to help supplement that as well. So, you know, it's not listed, that would be another project that we might be supplementing. But we've...we have now started the EA, and the EA will help identify, you know, the alternatives. I think that's the key in that particular section is, you know, where are we going to put this thing? It'd be like Mr. Mateo said, is this, you know, off the road? And then that brings up issues as it relates to the, say, the shower trees and land acquisition. And so we got a lot of work to do yet on that, but I'll assure you that we're working on it.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And then we'll appreciate whatever recommendations, whether we need to review the license fees and whatnot for bikes and other things that may help support the funding of additional safety projects. Okay. Let us move on, Members, to the next component. We are on 1...3-176, Members, Countywide, Countywide Sidewalk Improvements. And my understanding is the Department is requesting \$500,000 from the Highway Fund. Director Goode.

MR. GOODE: Thank you, Mr. Chair. As you'll notice the prior years and current year appropriations are zero. This is a brand new request, and we're excited about this. Because we've received requests over the years and I'm sure you have too for sidewalks in existing urban areas that were built at a time when they weren't required or for whatever reason their project wasn't required to put them in, and so the requests are coming now. People want to be out, they want to go for a walk, not only recreationally but as a mode of transportation for those short visits. And while we go out and often replace sidewalks that get lifted up by trees or have other deficiencies, never really had funding to go out and do this. So this past year when we had our budget meetings out in the communities in September/October, we received quite a few requests that helped solidify in our minds that we need to start doing this. I imagine you've been hearing some of those requests, too. So this is a new program, and we're excited to get these funds and start identifying the projects in the various districts and getting sidewalks in. So I see this as...if this is something you approve, we'll be doing year in and year out for a long time.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Very good. Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Well, you know, as Mr. Goode stated, a lot of the subdivisions were built could possibly have been those that were deemed affordable projects and exemptions like sidewalks and gutters and the like, and after you live there a few years and families start to grow, there's the requests for additions now. So I guess it comes to a point where we've gotta take a look at affordable requests for projects and whether or not exemptions such as these are essential for us to look at and say no, we no longer can afford it because it'll come back and bite us, you know, after a few years. So I guess it just gets down to the whole concept of Complete Streets --

MR. GOODE: Yeah, yeah.

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COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: --where it's not only, you know, the gutter and the sidewalk, but it's the whole ten yards. So impacts on affordable construction subdivisions probably, but I don't know what the tradeoff is. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you, Chair. Do sidewalks require EAs or anything else in the SMA area?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Director?

MR. GOODE: We may have a categorical exemption on the EA. If it's in the SMA we do need to do at least an SMA assessment, and if I don't if they're an exempt action under the SMA. We might be doing SMA Minor Permits.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: And is this an area in which we may want to start looking into project district allocations of cost to those people who are getting it? And the reason I bring that up is a lot of districts, my district in particular, we don't even have shoulders, much less sidewalks, and so, you know, for us to get excited about sidewalks is kind of poho, no place to put 'em unless we go and buy land and expand the County right-of-ways. So I...and, you know, part of this is...I have to think that, yeah, it's a really wonderful thing to do, but as Mr. Mateo says, you know, we don't really have the money to go out and do that. I mean if you compare \$500,000 a year in Highway Funds with the Kula...the, you know, the extension of the bus service into Kula, you know, that's kind of an easy decision. But I guess the question is, should we be looking at funding this by not using Highway Funds, but by simply saying if your neighborhood wants sidewalks, we'll assess each of you X amount of dollars. And I don't know what the mechanism is, maybe Mr. Baz knows. But...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I would say currently it cannot be done. We do not go by a...the County has chosen not to...I think only City and County of Honolulu has through legislation allowed a--what do they call it?--community development financing concept. This County has chosen not to have that option, again, because then only communities with resources will have improvements. And that was part of the historic rationale, why it didn't happen --

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: That makes sense, Chair, but...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --you know in the past.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: But yet we get back to the question of, okay, so who...and it doesn't have to do with this one because this is Highway Funds, but it goes back to, okay, well are we as a group, as a community willing to take on additional taxes to pay for some of this stuff, so.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And that's why a lot of times in the past it was through General Fund or bonds, because a lot of the urban areas agreed to support the rural areas to retain its rural character.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And that is why, you know, I mean it's the same thing with City, you know, the State and why Honolulu helps the sister islands is because they've got the tax resources to keep the neighbor islands the way that, you know, we as a State would like it to be. So it's how Maui island helps Molokai, Lanai, East Maui, Upcountry, certain areas, because that's what they want to retain as a part of its character of the total County. And that was the general approach, Mr. White, in the past.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Well it's, you know, it's important to have this discussion, and obviously it'll be discussed more tomorrow. But I went back 10 years and looked at what the Homeowner category for example was providing us in the way of funding, and their actual dollar contribution has dropped by 4 percent while our overall Budget has gone up by 89 percent. And if you look at it on a per household basis, the contribution per household has actually dropped by 21 percent, because there is about 5,000 more households in that category than in 2003. So, you know, when I look at this stuff it's like, okay, but --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I understand your math.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: --we're not collecting the money.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I understand the math. Yes, I understand your point, Mr. White.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Thank you, Chair. And I'm fortunate that in my community there is a lot of sidewalks, so I'm very...always very interested in this area in particular. Although I have a great number of rural areas that are too old to have sidewalks or too narrow to have sidewalks, and we have a lot of that right here in Wailuku Town. My question to you is on these sidewalk improvements, do these just...do you take big sections or something's really dangerous and this may be two slabs to be redone? When I say two slabs, each one maybe like three to five feet long and two or three feet wide or whatever. Do you look at that as being...so long as it's an endangerment, like being uprooted, cracked? These are the things that you look for where the public safety would become important?

MR. GOODE: Mr. Victorino, actually for those, we use our highway maintenance crews, so we use the maintenance side.

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COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: So like those you find all, you know, you know what I'm talking about, small . . . *(inaudible)* . . .

MR. GOODE: Yeah, yeah. And we hit those here and there.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: So that...this doesn't do that? That is...what...this one just basically does...

MR. GOODE: This is looking for new sidewalks --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: New sidewalks.

MR. GOODE: --in areas that don't currently have them.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay, okay.

MR. GOODE: Primarily urban areas, not rural or ag.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yeah, okay. Well unfortunately I have the mix of both so, you know. But another thing I'll say, Mr. Chair, is this is another aspect of our affordable housing, our 201 projects that we've brought forward, and I know one in Kihei and one in Wailuku now that was built with no sidewalks and now the people want sidewalks that are living in the area. And so these are the kind of the backend things that occur after the fact, and we the taxpayers...so I guess the question really comes up for the taxpayers is are you willing to take more of that burden on or do you want all of this stuff done when we build homes? And even for 201H or 201Gs or whatever the...whatever the number might be for affordable housing, do we wanna know these basic safety issues have to be addressed, we cannot just let it be exempt and then later on we end up picking the tab up anyhow. And so Mr. Goode and I have gone over it with a lot of the areas here in Wailuku. I probably have the largest undedicated per mile roadways in any part of Maui County at this time, almost one third of my roadways, if I'm not mistaken, are undedicated right now. Is that correct, Mr. Goode, or something around there?

MR. GOODE: I don't know the percentage, but --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Pretty close.

MR. GOODE: --it's significant.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yeah, it's significant. And so this becomes a real problem now that we have all these roads that we use, the public, that are not dedicated to the County of Maui, and these neighborhoods and these associations have been paying it and now they want to give it over, and the developer has just basically walked away from it and leaving us holding the bag. So you know what I've talked about, you've been around long enough, Mr. Chair, you

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understand the challenge. So again we're stuck with the bag, now we gotta figure it out from that point forward. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Mr. Goode, last year we had allocated some money to do a sidewalk study for South Kihei Road from essentially Kilohana back to where the sidewalk ends near Kamaole Beach III. Is that a separate project or is that going to be included in this or how's that coming?

MR. GOODE: Believe it or not, we're actually going out to bid already. We...if I recall correctly I saw the plans the other day and we ended up doing the design in house. I'm not sure what funding source they're using as part of that. Maybe one of our existing Countywide safety for instance or something like that.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: That's fabulous. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. So you said you're in the process of ID'ing where these sidewalks are being needed. You don't have any areas in particular that get more requests than others at this point? You just...like I guess the sidewalk study for South Maui is generating that. I think we got some for Upcountry, sidewalk study or something. So is that where you're generating where these are needed through these studies right now?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, I think that's partly it. We quite honestly haven't done a lot of work yet, other than we've I think collected a list over the years of requests. But until...if we see this funding going through then we'll ramp up that effort.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: So the sidewalk that was put on Shaw Street down to Wainee, where did that come from and how was that designated...declared to be done? 'Cause that's a sidewalk improvement in Lahaina that was completed.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, that's a couple years old. I'm not sure where that funding came from, whether there was a special project fund for that, appropriation just for that or if it was part of some...a Countywide safety.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: I'm just looking at projects, Chair, and wondering... 'cause I hear in my, you know, area, especially in Lower Road in particular, and wondering, you know, the costs if they were...should have been incurred by the developer or whoever in that area and was never collected on. And thereby in the end we the County taxpayers are funding it when it should have been paid, as I mentioned earlier, by these assessments, deferral assessments, what have you. So I just hope that we are not, you know, taking on the burden and the cost of a responsibility that were supposed to be designated to someone else or another entity.

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MR. GOODE: Yeah. Well we wouldn't do a sidewalk project where there's a deferral agreement unless we're collecting on it.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: It is something that the Planning Department should be assisting Mr. Goode and his Department, because part of Conditions of Zoning compliance is within the Department of Planning. And so I would say that that is something that if you wish you could also follow up with the Planning Director Spence on whether it is a Condition of Zoning and whether that is an accurate situation where it's part of a requirement of entitlement.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yes, thank you, Chair. I would be remiss if I didn't ask on the status of the sidewalk study from King Kekaulike down to Pukalani Superette.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Director?

MR. GOODE: Sure. Ms. Baisa, my understanding is that we've got a designer on that one because it's more complicated, and that they've, you know, begun some of the initial work or I think we did some survey work as part of that to keep the cost down. So it's more complicated. There's a lot of obstacles over there, and so we've started that work.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Thank you very much. I know the community really wants that, it's a big priority. Thank you.

MR. GOODE: You're welcome.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you, Ms. Baisa. Again, the Chair would just also agree, you know, every district has given requests for sidewalks, and so this temporary Chair is open to adjustments in the taxation categories to allow some General Fund support. Because down the road that's the only way we're going to be able to address this and help all the districts instead of just from the Highway Fund, so it's something we can work on as a Committee. May I direct you please to 3-177 under the district of Hana or East Maui. And this is regarding the Kahawaiokapia Bridge Rehabilitation, a request of \$4.1 million to be funded with \$1.3 million in bond and \$2.8 million under other. And maybe either Mr. Baz or Mr. Goode can give us first what would be the source of other for the \$2.8 million and then give some comment on the specific project itself.

MR. GOODE: Okay. I can handle that, Mr. Chair. Kahawaiokapia is another bridge in the Hana area. This is getting closer to the Hamoa area. Two point eight is Federally funded. All our bridge

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replacements over there have been Federally funded, so there's an 80/20 match. And in addition we the County pay for construction management. We hire out for construction management on these projects, because, you know, for our personnel to go over there every single day, practically it's just it doesn't make any sense. And because it's Federally funded the amount of oversight is significant, and so we hire construction management for that project. So that would be the \$600,000 other portion.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you for that explanation. Mr. Carroll is not able to join us at this time, but I will ask maybe some questions on his behalf that I'm sure he may want to know. One, it says an immediate replacement of the bridge is part of the project description. And is this part of the heritage bridge and highway component that we...that our...that the parameters would be impacted in this project if any?

MR. GOODE: I'm sorry, I didn't quite understand that.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, my, you know, my understanding is that through efforts of the community, you know, the Federal government has designated a heritage road system, components of the road to Hana.

MR. GOODE: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And so I'm just wondering if part of the parameters of what you can and cannot do regarding a heritage road system, if this is impacting it in any way for your Department to perform.

MR. GOODE: Okay. No, it's not impacting it, and in fact I think we're, we've dovetailed real well with that program. Our bridges that we're either fixing or replacing went through a significant process to recognize its historic and cultural characters, and we worked closely with DOT and FHWA to...you know, allowed us to continue to get the Federal funding and to do one-lane bridges. And that was the key, one lane instead of two lane. And the other key in there was to make the bridges, you know, not look like something you would see in New Jersey that they, you know, really fit the Hana area. The one we just finished, Papahawahawa, we went out there, we had a blessing, and the residents loved it. You know it is new, it does handle all the loading, but it looks like it fits. Polipoli Bridge is another example. I think our staff is doing a great job of making these bridges, you know, fit in the context or situated. So the heritage road that you talk about, a lot of that came out of the efforts that we started or that the community started and we obliged and worked through and with them. So it's right there, we're working right closely together with that.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. One thing that, you know, the Committee members are aware of, is will this have a higher capacity regarding gross weight volume of what can go over the bridge or is the capacity still going to remain? Because in the past, it's impacted how the County provided certain response equipment, whether it be Fire or, you know, Public Works' equipment because it was too heavy to go over the existing bridge regarding gross weight volumes. And I

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was just wondering if this project would be able to increase the capacity of what can traverse over the bridge such as first response equipment?

MR. GOODE: Absolutely. I think the bridge is now rated for about 8 tons. It'll be a full 20-ton bridge which could handle any truck traffic on Maui.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you so much. Ms. Cochran, Committee Chair for the subject matter.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, thank you. Yeah, so this particular bridge just in priority-wise, how was it, you know, considered as high priority? Is it due to the historic nature, the one-lane nature of it? Just trying to cross reference to the Kahananui Bridge, 'cause it has the same project description basically and project justification in a sense.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, the Hana bridges really starting in the late '90s a number of studies were done, the structural deficiencies were noted. And they...I mean for instance, on some of these bridges the deficiency or the structural rating, they go on a scale of 1 to 100, 100 being great, brand new. We were getting bridges like 3. Okay. I mean Kanaha Nui has got to be up in the 40s or 50s or something like this. Most of those bridges that were that structurally deficient, at the time we came close, we had to contemplate whether we should even shut them down, it was that bad. You know knock on wood. Everything worked out, we didn't have to shut them down, they've been fixed. And so we've done three or four. We got two under construction right now, Waiohonu and Kaholopo, and so we're getting ones that are maybe their ratings are up in the teens. So it's...they're bad. They're 100 years old typically. You know, in difficult weather conditions out there --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Right.

MR. GOODE: --difficult maintenance conditions, some of those bridges are really hard to get even under to maintain. So it's a \_\_\_\_\_, but we've gotten the really, really bad ones done and now we're working through the slightly better ones. But I think they're still in worse condition than Kahananui is.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Let's get back to this bridge, please.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thanks.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. White?

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COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you, Chair. I'd just like to thank you for going to bat for keeping the character of the bridges and the...in both the width and the design, so mahalo.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Victorino, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch? Okay, let us move on. We are moving into the Kihei-Makena District, Page 3-144, the Hauoli Street Drainage Improvement. And my understanding is this is a request of \$2.5 million of Bond. And, Mr. Goode, your comments, please, on the Hauoli Street project.

MR. GOODE: Oh, thank you, Mr. Chair. This is an area that's been subject to flooding on numerous occasions. This was of course the road a year that got washed out or this section of culvert actually it just collapsed. We had some pipe available and so we were able to do a temporary improvement even though we knew this design was already underway. The design was initiated after I think the 2007 floods where the water runs over this and then into the neighboring condos, parking lots or into some of the first floor units and then eventually works its way out. So the proposal now is to increase the culvert even more and also to provide a retention basin or detention basin, one of the two, mauka of that, so it'll trap a lot of the sediment and also slow down the water, so increase the overall efficiency of the facility.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Is there any Corps of Engineers issues of currently still outstanding with this project?

MR. GOODE: No.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you very much. Mr. Couch, your questions regarding this project, please.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No, sir. Thank you very much for getting that going. I know we discussed and I think you may have looked at and decided it wasn't a good alternative to send it out into the wetlands, send the runoff out into the wetlands.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, I think that was determined not to be viable to put the water into a national wildlife refuge.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you, Mr. Couch. Mr. Victorino, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No questions.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No questions.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, this is definitely needed. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Let us move on to 3-148, Kihei-Makena. This is the South Maui Watershed Study. There is a request from the General Fund for \$100,000, and a request of \$100,000 from other. So, Director Goode, please, comments on this project.

MR. GOODE: Let me get to my...let me get to the right page, Mr. Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, 3-148, Members.

MR. GOODE: You want a description, Mr. Chair, or...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Just any additional comments you may have regarding this watershed study request.

MR. GOODE: Other than it's just part of the, you know, the overall effort to mitigate flooding in South Maui, and this a cooperative effort with the U.S. Corps of Engineers where we would participate with them and they would do the work.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Great, thank you very much. Mr. Couch, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you. Mr. Goode, last night one of the testifiers came up and said that they completed a South Maui Watershed Study. Is that not the same one as this one?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: That came from the soil and water conservation component of volunteers, Mr. Goode, so you kind of get some background.

MR. GOODE: It must be different; otherwise, we wouldn't have it in here. So when they say they, was it the U.S. Corps of Engineers that did that?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No, it was a testifier...

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Soil and conservation.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah.

MR. GOODE: Soil conservation service.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Was it Randy Bartlett or...yeah.

MR. GOODE: Oh, the soil and water conservation district.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Somebody last night mentioned it. Yeah.

MR. GOODE: It sounds like a companion effort.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: So will you be looking to see if what they came up with as well?

MR. GOODE: Well the Corps of Engineers would be. In these types of projects the Corps of Engineers and their staff do the work.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, okay.

MR. GOODE: They're almost like a consultant for us.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. So I guess this is more of a Federal project with County participation. Okay. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, excellent thing.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran? Okay, thank you very much. Let us move on to 3-163, Kihei-Makena District. This is the South Kihei Road Pavement Rehabilitation project. The request is for \$600,000 from...on the Highway Fund and also a additional consideration of \$1.6 million from other. So, Director Goode, this \$2.2 million project, please.

MR. GOODE: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Yeah, this is an area of Kihei, especially on South Kihei Road where we get a number of calls and requests for improvement. This will be a Federally funded

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rehabilitation where we take out a significant portion of the roadway structure and rebuild it to match the traffic loads that we're experiencing. And it's a very straightforward project as it relates to permitting, because we're working within an existing right-of-way. And so we're at the point now where we can get...we're ready to ask for construction funds.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Again, I know you're doing it but again if there's either sewer or waterline things that can be coordinated with this project since it's a major impact on the community, let's hopefully just do it one time, please. Mr. Couch, questions on your...this project in your area?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Mr. Goode, I, you know, I'm going to get the question once this project starts. You did a really great job from essentially Auhana to Walaka, and that was more of a resurfacing than a road rehabilitation. But after Walaka there's still some mess up and then you're going to start up again, you know, about a couple blocks away from Walaka and go further south. Everybody's going to say well why didn't you just go there. Is there anything you can...help me answer that to the...'cause we will get the calls.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, I have to look into it to find out what that section you're talking about, what...where it is on our schedule, if you will. It might just be a resurfacing. I think we were able to qualify for this one for the rehabilitation, because the original work on South Kihei Road, South Kihei Road, Phase I, II, III heading north, this...the project we're discussing now was not part of that.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, okay.

MR. GOODE: So it qualifies for Federal funds. Otherwise ask for Federal funds on something we got Federal funds for 15 years ago, we probably wouldn't get.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Right, right.

MR. GOODE: So I can find out for you.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: And possibly if it is just resurfacing and it should be, 'cause it...the road does get a little bit better from where you ended. But it's still got some divots and whatnot. If it's possible to just with extra asphalt to resurface. It's only about I'd say a quarter mile.

MR. GOODE: Well this brings up a subject I'd like to discuss. You just made me think of it. It's something I'm working with Mr. Baz and hopefully he's not going to object to me talking about it. But we, you know, a lot of our projects we have...we're getting these specific projects we're discussing now, not Countywide projects. You know we go out to bid and lately we've been getting good bids. In fact I've got report here of, you know, our FY '11 monies, and the monies that lapsed was almost 100 percent because of low bids. But if there's an opportunity to do work in the adjacent area, say with this project, Alanui Ke Alii, a portion of South Kihei Road and our bids come in low, we'd certainly like the flexibility of saying okay we got some money saved

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and we don't anticipate any major cost overruns or anything, let's pave some nearby roads. Have that built in now so that we can...if that's something we can accommodate, and it's easier said than done. So I don't want to jump too far into it, but for instance we'll talk about Haliimaile Road later, finishing that. Well once we're...if we have extra money we don't do a couple roads in Haliimaile Town. So to us, you know, ultimately the more flexibility we get with our funds for resurfacing, the more miles we're going to pave every year. I didn't mean to talk out of turn or anything, but I think...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Well that brings up the question, is the flexibility needed from us or the way the Bond is issued? I don't know, where do you need the flexibility from?

MR. GOODE: That's beyond me right now. I don't...I don't know.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: That's something we can...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: I mean why couldn't you just go ahead and do it now?

MR. GOODE: Well if...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: It doesn't...*(inaudible)*... part of the current authorization.

MR. GOODE: It depends how it's written, I guess.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: So it would be with us then, Mr. Chair, is that right?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And again, I think Mr. Goode provides us a good seed to...that he's planted now that it's another way we can approach it. But, you know, it's something we can...*(inaudible)*...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: And you're right, that is a great seed and this is a perfect example. If they come in under budget right here, he's got about a quarter of a mile, little bit more than a quarter mile between two repairs, so why not allow him to just do that. Is that something that we can add into this or is this something we need to...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I'm not too sure what is the scope and parameter to receive the Federal monies. Yeah. So again, you know, like a lot of times such as the Police project in your district, the scope that it was written for gives the County no flexibility under the category that the Federal government allows us regarding other qualified projects. It was so narrow there's nothing else that would qualify if there is a surplus. And maybe in the language of how the future projects, and maybe this project has the flexibility to consider other qualified projects that we, you know, it's something I think it is worth exploring greater to allow the departments to utilize it for things that qualify within the scope. And I think it's very cost savings and time.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah, especially this time of --

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: --you know, in the economy.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, so it's something that is worthwhile for us to continue to review and see how we can adjust.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, so I certainly encourage Mr. Goode to...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, you know, he's going to need to work with Director . . . *(inaudible)* . . .

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Work with who they need to work with --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --components.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: --and get that...yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: But yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Questions? Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No questions.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No, I'm just questioning what the difference between pavement rehabilitation and road resurfacing is, and I'm sure one is reconstruction and that's where the Federal monies come in. But when you have a road like Kaupakalua Road which was in last year and was bumped. I don't see it in here this year. There's some reconstruction involved in that. Is that going to be dealt with the same way this road is or is that going to be handled under road resurfacing?

MR. GOODE: Mr. White, that's something we're still discussing with FHWA and DOT. A lot of those roads like Kaupakalua, even Kokomo, we're finding out...maybe Kauhikoa are considered rural minor collectors, and as such they're not available...not eligible for Federal funding. Now how

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do we get that reclassified to say a major collector or some other type of classification to allow us to get those funds is something we're exploring, but, you know, they have pretty narrow parameters. You're either in or you're out, and we thought we were in, now it looks like we might be out. So, you know, we started that discussion with them about how to make that happen. But you're right, if we...rehabilitation is reconstruction, it's much more expensive. Obviously you get a much better product long term, but we would really gobble up the County funds quickly if we do that to all of our roads. So that's why we try to get that Federal funding wherever we can.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Oh, no, no. I was just...I wasn't suggesting that we need to do it to all roads. I was just trying to get an understanding of where the Fed funds cut off.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, so are we. So we thought it was in, now it looks like it's out, and we're seeing if there's any way we can get it back in. I'm not confident yet we can.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Yeah, okay. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: None.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran? Okay, thank you very much. Let's keep moving on, Members. We are now on 3-166, Kihei-Makena, the South Maui Regional Traffic Master Plan. The request is 100,000 from Highway Fund, 640 from others. Director Goode?

MR. GOODE: Okay, let me get to the right page here. Okay. The South Maui Regional Traffic Master Plan is really essential for us to pursue those Federal funds for the remainder of South Kihei Road from Lipoa heading north and for the North-South Collector Road. Currently, you know, FHWA is concerned that, you know, the design of those roadways may not be able to meet future roadway capacity needs, and as such they're not willing to fund it until they know or at least comfort through a study like this that whatever laneage [*sic*] that we design for is going to meet some projected needs. I think back not that many years ago Piilani Highway, it was two years and it became parking lot at certain times of the day. That's what they were trying to avoid, they want some assurance through this study. And the study needs to be coordinated with DOT. DOT has to be our partner here in being part of the review process, and so we are requesting those monies so that we can, you know, set the stage, set the table for, you know, future Federal funding for those two important roadways.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Before I ask Mr. Couch for his question, did the draft Traffic Impact Study that was prepared for the County, oh maybe what, five, six years ago, in any way helpful in helping you to...for this project consideration? Or were you able to utilize that at all or that was not...

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MR. GOODE: Yeah, my understanding is we weren't able to utilize it primarily because DOT wasn't really a partner in it.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you.

MR. GOODE: But it'll be a good basis for, you know, for this study.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Mr. Couch, questions on this request?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh yeah. First of all, is the study going to take a look at a possible mauka of Piilani Highway road as suggested by the Kihei Community Association?

MR. GOODE: I really don't know. I suppose it would be part of the parameters we would throw into it. It would be helpful also to see that on say a General Plan map, not just a suggestion from a community association but like on a General map or the Long Range Transportation Study which the State has initiated for the entire island.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah, I believe they're going to put it on that one. I guess my question would be to you to ask the Federal Highway Administration. You know the North-South Collector we've been trying to get money for that and they wanted that to make it four lanes, so they're saying it's either four lanes or none and yet there's still traffic issues. So wouldn't you think that at least two lanes...if they could fund the two lanes and not the hard improvements on the makai side or the mauka side of the road, like curb, gutter, sidewalk, and bike lane. At least we eliminate a lot of the...or, you know, alleviate a lot of the traffic that's already there. I would think two lanes are better than no lanes, so wouldn't they be able to fund... 'cause they did say at one time that, you know, I mean I talked with them that they would fund curb, gutter, sidewalk, and two lanes but nothing more. And the County was willing to do that. Then they removed that funding, so that might be an argument that you can do in conjunction with this so that we get the funding sooner rather than later.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, I think we can certainly have that discussion with them. Ultimately they're going to be saying well, what is it going to be ultimately? If we do two lanes now is it ultimately going to be four or two? In which case the design might be different of how we do those first two lanes. Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. And so were those...not to go off subject, but in West Maui there had been already I guess one of these highway capacity analysis done in order to get the road improvements that we've had happen there. Do you know offhand?

MR. GOODE: I don't know offhand. I don't recall seeing that.

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. I was just wondering if this, you know, the process...this is part of the process to add on, you know, bypasses and what have you? And just general, you know, I understand traffic congestion in our more urban areas, but I think the big topic and I think for all of us as I drive this road every day in and out, visitors included, business and what have you is the pali. And I know it's State but I'm just, you know, you work in conjunction with DOT. I'm just curious on the County level if any, do we...are we in dialogue and discussion in regards to options there being there is no alternate route? But South Maui, West, you know, in our urban areas there are alternate ways to direct and detour traffic to get people from point A to point B, but there's areas of this island such as the one-lane bridges in Hana we just discussed, if there is no alternate and I believe that's why they're high priority. So I'm just...sorry, Chair, if I'm going off topic, but, you know, wondering if Public Works has any discussion in that arena?

MR. GOODE: Well we participate with, you know, DOT and the Long Range Transportation Plans, and certainly when the pali's closed down, I mean there's been ongoing, you know, using the back road which is under our control. I think that's been pretty much figured out now with the Police Department how they control that use. But, you know, we got enough on our plate, you know, to really spend much time working with DOT on the pali. If they need our help we're willing help, but as far as, you know, working on it beyond that, no, we haven't.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thanks.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Let's move on, one eight...3-181, Members. This is the South Kihei Road Traffic Signal Modernization at Various Locations. There is a request of \$100,000 for Bond. And, Director Goode, if you could share some comments on this request, please.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, this item here is actually primarily for that portion of South Kihei Road from Lipoa to Piikea which includes the signal at Azeka's. There's three signals in that location that actually for a long time I think we were pretty much convinced that we couldn't synchronize as well as we wanted to, and I think there's now technology available that it's going to allow...could allow us to do that. Hence, we think it's time to ask for the money to do that and design that. It's been a troublesome three signals for a long time, and this is encouraging, you

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know, that we can actually maybe finally solve this problem. And so hence we're asking for the design money, and then it looks like next year we look for construction.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Before I ask Mr. Couch...so we can understand the design request, Director Goode. And again I thought this was being more of a software and then, you know, we would do some adjustments within the current signalization equipment there. But is this like a new...a replacement of the whole components of those three areas since, you know, we're looking at a sizeable construction request? I'm sorry, I'm just trying to understand how it relates to then the design request. And again...

MR. GOODE: My...yeah, my understanding and I'm not 100 percent confident on this is that the, it involves with the control boxes themselves, 'cause obviously if we're redoing a lot of...the actual signals it might be a lot more expensive. There might be some adjustments to some of those signals to say add, you know, protected left turns for instance, but based on the project scope, our Engineering staff feels comfortable that (a) we can get some Federal funding for it and (b) that this estimate is about what's needed to get it done.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, well I think Mr. Couch since he understands wireless technology much better than I, might...may ask the more appropriate question. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. The question I have of course is...I know this is a much needed something to do at that...at those three intersections. One of the thoughts has always been remove the center, you know, the middle light at the Azeka's. Several traffic engineers that I've talked to said yeah, that shouldn't be there. Any thoughts of just doing that first as opposed to going through all this other stuff? And it's...could be a dollar savings.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, I think that suggestion, you know, is warranted. We would note that the signal was a Condition of Zoning.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: I know.

MR. GOODE: So I think theoretically we would probably need to amend the Condition of Zoning. We did have a discussion a number of years ago with the owners. Now it's one owner I think for Azeka's I and II. They liked their signal as far as, you know, for them, their viability of their commercial centers. So with those, you know, with those two obstacles, if you will, we thought we'd try this for that.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: And the other one and it would probably be a much more...a much longer term issue and more problematic but I think still doable 'cause I know the KCA has looked into it, and that is a whole series of two roundabouts and medians and whatnot in that area similar to a couple of other locations on the mainland that have done something on a situation just like that and proven to tremendously improve the traffic flow there. But I realize that's further down the line 'cause there's some land issues and whatnot, but it still can be done. So are you guys still keeping that in the back of your head?

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MR. GOODE: Yeah, I think we keep it in the back of our head, but I, you know, to compare it to some mainland situation without knowing all the facts --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Right.

MR. GOODE: --of their traffic balance, I mean that traffic is 80 percent South Kihei Road and at the Azeka's intersection it's 95 percent. I mean to have traffic like that, a roundabout is not a good idea, and I think that's been proven nationally as well. So, you know, until there's balanced traffic loads, you know, if we're putting roundabouts in there it might be the worse solution.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: You're right, it could be, and that's why I was saying maybe study it. But I know some traffic engineers with the Kihei Community Association have studied it.

MR. GOODE: Well then they should send us their report --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. GOODE: --so we could actually have somebody evaluate it.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. I'll get in touch with them and have them do that. And the reason I say that is because a lot of traffic is now coming down Piikea and Liloa...I'm sorry, Lipoa, and it is, I mean it's just, it's a constant bottleneck at certain times of the day. Other times it's fine. And all because of the lights, 90 percent because of lights. There are some issues with the right turns into business driveways.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, right. Well hopefully this project can get...make it a lot better. It may not be perfect but hopefully it'll be a lot better.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And thank you for bringing up that component with Director Goode and yourself regarding the need to maybe review a Condition of Zoning, so we'll see where that stands at the appropriate time. Mr. Victorino, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No questions.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thanks.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Cochran?

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, then the Chair is going to have us break, and when we return Chair Pontanilla will be happy to take up the Waipuilani Bike Path project to start off our afternoon. So we shall be in recess 'til 1:30 p.m. . . .(gavel). . .

**RECESS: 12:03 p.m.**

**RECONVENE: 1:38 p.m.**

CHAIR PONTANILLA: . . .(gavel). . . The Budget and Finance Committee meeting is now reconvened. Just want to say thank you to Vice-Chairman Riki Hokama who chaired the meeting during my absence. Members, we are at 3-183, Waipuilani Bike Plan [sic]. Director Goode?

MR. GOODE: Good afternoon, Chair, Members of the Committee. This project, Waipuilani Bike Path we touched on when we discussed Countywide Bikeways. We're at the point now where we're ready to do some construction. We have a Federal match on this particular one, and we're basically ready to go.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Chairman Mateo, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions on this.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you, Chair. No, I don't really have any questions. It's just it's nice to see that we can build bikeways in some places. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, good.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Pass.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Next, 3-209, Safe Routes to School (SRTS) - Kamalii Elementary School. Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, we received Federal funds here. I think we were the first projects in the State to receive these funds, and our folks, we're working with the school at Kamalii. And also we have another one in Nahienaena. So in-house design, 100 percent Federally funded.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Wow. Ms. Baisa, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, next project, 3-161, Haliimaile Road Safety Improvements Phase 2.  
Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: This is the second phase. We just completed the majority of the work on the first phase from Haleakala Highway up to I think the first set of Quonset huts there in...near Haliimaile Town. This will finish the work to Baldwin Avenue. It's Federally funded, and it's a reconstruction project.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thanks.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No, I think it's great that we've got this all or significantly Federally funded. You know, again, Chair, I drive Haliimaile Road fairly often and it's in reasonably good shape compared to a whole lot of other County roads. So anyway, that's my comment. Thanks.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Fast question, Mr. Goode. You know Federal funds, is there a specific time where you gotta use the funds? Use it or lose it?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, generally. We have...we program out those funds in what's called the STIP, the Statewide Transportation Improvement plan or Program, and it's a six-year plan, but occasionally, you know, projects get moved in and out depending on their timing. But at some point if you don't initiate they're just, you know, scratch it off the list and insert someone else.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, good. Thank you. Mr. Hokama, we're on 3-161 if you have any questions.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, Chairman, I support the project.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. 3-143.

MR. GOODE: Kaunakakai Levee Certification. This will be done with the Corps of Engineers, they have new levee requirements. We've been going through this on Iao Stream. It's an important project to make sure that we, you know, continue to take areas out of the flood zone that are next to this particular system.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No, I really have no questions. I'm just anxious that this project get done as soon as possible. Primarily because of, you know, you can just read the justification, the last sentence kind of says it all, and this is a depressed area that does not need any additional expenses, especially for flood insurance. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman...Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Support.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No questions.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. 3-153, Kalana O Maui Improvements, Fourth Floor. Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, yeah. Mr. Chair, yeah, the fourth floor of course is the floor that Public Works is located on. This has nothing to do with the Admin Office, it has everything to do with our Engineering Division. When the Division moved up...I don't know when that was, four years ago, something like that. They were all...we were all on the third floor previously. Corporation Counsel was moved to the third floor. They had a significant renovation, and basically our folks had to just move up, you know, with dollies and make it work. And the result was is that if you've ever walked through that Division, it's a bit of a maze and it's not efficient. It's far from being efficient in my opinion, and the Mayor agrees. The Mayor has been down there, took a look around. If you ever walk into a modern engineering design firm, this is not what you would see. Given all those constraints they still do a tremendous job and we got a tremendous amount of projects out, but we could be so much better. And we really feel that, you know, for the valuable work that they do, that it's time to do really just the planning and design effort needed to get this, you know, as an efficient, modern office to eliminate the amount of rolls of papers that we've got laying around, sections that are in different areas. You know, it just makes for a better work environment and a more productive work environment.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: I don't want to belabor it, but at some point, Mr. Goode, is there some long-term plan--and I know this is probably heresy, but--for a new building? You know we keep trying to fix this building, and it really is not set up anymore for the needs of what we need for County government. And I'm just wondering, you know, we fix here, fix there but is there some intent to get a new building? Something that works, that is modern, that is healthy.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair, if I might? Madam Baisa, thank you very much for the question. That is on the top of our minds up in the ninth floor, management and perspective of trying to understand what we have available within our County Building here, the space available as well as what we could probably do adjacent and/or other locations. And the Mayor and your Budget Committee Chair have been in discussions of, you know, some possible future items. And they, you know, this is something that right now we're doing a kind of preliminary study to see what we could do at the Old Wailuku Post Office 'cause that was what was funded this year, and seeing, you know, what alternatives there are. And those alternatives may include a new building or, you know, a separate site or anything else, too. This is basically...right now these renovations are just so that they can get to work, and this, you know, what we're looking at, a new building might be, you know, a number of years down the road.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: I understand and I realize it's probably long range, but I think it's something we need to look at no matter how much we dearly adore and love and have nostalgia about this building. It is an aging structure and doesn't have the capability to do the things that need to be done. Anyway, thank you.

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MR. BAZ: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. Yeah, thank you for bringing up that point, Ms. Baisa, and your comments, Mr. Baz, 'cause that's definitely a needed thing. And not to forget the rentals and leases and all this other payments that we have out there due to not being able to house our departments under one roof. So anyways, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: It's a symptom of a growing community, growing County, Chairman, space. But my question for Director is that I'm aware of at least two time and space studies done within the last five-six years, so have you utilized those studies as a basis to come up with this project and project cost or not?

MR. GOODE: You know not that I'm aware of, but I do know what we used was...the DSA Office in the Kalana Pukui Building a number of years ago when we had that...I think it was a mold issue and everybody vacated the building and we handled that, they used that time to redo all their offices, so they got a space planner in there, looked at those kind of issues. And so we used that as a ballpark, and what they spent is what we probably need in this case.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: You know before we make our decision making on this consideration, Director, I would ask you to at least review it, because we spent thousands of dollars on those two space assessment studies. And some of its recommendations which was to relocate the baseyard at Kaohu and Waiale, you know, and put buildings there, and, you know, so there's...we've already spent a lot of money on space requirements and options to...how to address it. So instead of continuing to spend more money for another study, if the existing studies have still merit to be used as a basis for your request for the actual design and construction, I would prefer to put the money there then on another study. Thank you, Chairman.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Mr. Goode, I understand the need for space, but looking at your plans in terms of what you're going to do in respect to fiscal years, is there any way of moving this up? Because you're doing your plan and design this...next fiscal year. I don't know what other is for Fiscal Year '12, and actual construction for Fiscal Year '15. This is like, you know, several years between the design and the construction. Thoughts of moving it up if it's that dire a need?

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MR. GOODE: That's a good point. I hadn't considered that. It seems to me that we're not talking about a lot of work, that those first two years could be combined into one year. So we actually go to construct it the following year. I'd have to find out some more, talk to my staff and get back to you folks.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: What is the other? What does that include for next, you know, I'm sorry, next fiscal year 50,000 listed under other. What is other?

MR. GOODE: Well that was more the I guess the study to actually find out, you know, who's doing what work where, to set the parameters for a design. So that...at least that's my understanding. So they viewed it as a three-step process to get the best final product.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Yeah, that's one thing over here at the County is that we always fighting for space, and, you know, Mr. Hokama is right, we did several I guess campus study for County of Maui. But we looked at, you know, strictly County Building, but what about, you know, private building...private build the thing and probably sell it to the County? And that's another option that we can probably take a look, probably faster and more cheap actually. So there's a lot of alternatives that can be done, just a matter of, you know, the funding. Okay. The next one is 3-159, Kamehameha Avenue and Hina Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation. Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Mr. Chair, this is another Federally project. This is one I think we moved up last year. We're pretty far along with design and ready to go for construction. It's a lot of reconstruction work. We're talking about all of Kamehameha...well from Puunene to Papa and Hina where it starts on Wakea to Niihau Street, and then another section from Molokai Akau to Ani Place. This will...as a rehabilitation project, we'll reconstruct the roadways so that it's going to last many, many years and be able to handle the types of traffic that it's incurring.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Is there any plans on Wakea from Onehee Street to Hina Avenue? I think that's one of the worse parts in Kahului right now. It's only a short section.

MR. GOODE: I have to find out.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, fine. Thank you.

MR. GOODE: Okay.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

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COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Chairman, thank you. Director Goode, Kamehameha Avenue was built with the potential when required to go to four lanes, and that is why, you know, Kamehameha Avenue is the way it is, two lanes and you see those huge grass areas that people utilize for parking at this time. But are we close to a point that we're even thinking about maybe initiating a third lane to assist with the traffic flow on Kamehameha? And the...and has that Department viewed it as part of the consideration of this project and at this time it didn't make sense to consider doing the potential third or fourth lane?

MR. GOODE: I believe it was looked at. And unless the justification is there with traffic counts and significant delays, Federal Highways won't fund it. So at this time, it's rehabilitation of the existing two lanes.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And again, Director, I appreciate that comment, because at least I know you folks took that into consideration with...for the project scope. That if it made sense I would rather mitigate traffic before it becomes gridlock, so thank you for doing the due diligence.

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you, Chair. I'm just curious how a lot of our County roads get all this Federal funding. Were they like shovel ready or we're matching and leveraging this way? How do we garner these type of funds?

MR. GOODE: The Federal Highways process allows a certain percentage of roadways to be classified as long as they're, I guess, considered major collector-type roads, and I think in our presentation we had some 60 some odd miles of these types of roadways. As a percentage of our total roadways, we're actually right up against their limit, and we'd like to add more roads. When we talk about Kaupakalua Road, for instance, and Kokomo Road, but for us to add roads we have to...we're probably going to have to subtract some roads that are on the list. So at this point it's the major collector roads throughout the County that are County owned obviously, and we're already at our maximum as a percentage of our total roadway network.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thanks.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. The next project is 3-164, Waiale Road Improvements at Waiinu Road. Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, this would be a traffic signal improvement at Waiale and Waiinu, the road that heads up to the hospital from Waiale. There would be...the design has actually been done by Maui Lani as part of their...the roadway master plan and agreement they have with the County, so they're funding that design. And one thing we're look...considering and it'll come out completely within design is...what our engineers are looking at is that with this signal we might be able to make the four-way stop at Kaohu and Waiale, which backs up in the morning significantly, into a two-way stop which is actually what it was long time ago. Currently it's a four-way stop 'cause it's hard to get a gap, but with the traffic signal at Waiinu it will create gaps. So if you're coming down Kaohu in the morning, you could probably make a left safely. So it's still being evaluated but we're hoping that in conjunction with this traffic signal at Waiinu we could convert that four way to a two-way stop. It might require Council action, so I guess I'm giving you a heads-up. But let's let the design check that out, 'cause I think that would certainly help with the morning traffic.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. What about the...as you go up towards that road there towards the prison...towards the jail, that first right that goes to...I forget what subdivision. Kaimana Subdivision?

MR. GOODE: Right.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: I know it's kind of hazard in a sense that people making right turn...left turns to get on Waiale is a problem because of the, I guess, the vision from the stop area looking right because of that fence. You know you can hardly...you gotta stick out your car so you can see safely to make sure that no oncoming traffic is coming when you make your left turn. Is there anything in the works to improve that unsafe condition?

MR. GOODE: I'm not aware of anything in the works, but it sounds like something that needs to be addressed. So I'll make a note of it --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, fine. Thank you.

MR. GOODE: --and look into it. But I would say that with this traffic signal it'll also create gaps on that side of the signal as well which would help with those left turns out.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah. If everybody traveled 25 miles an hour, you know, would be perfect. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thanks.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Chairman. Have you folks checked with Planning Department? Again I'm getting older so...but I had thought this was part...at one time part of a Condition of Zoning for the project district as part of the road improvements and subsurface requirements.

MR. GOODE: For Kehalani or for Leilani?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: For that project that also includes where the current commercial development, that big drainage component, because it was also I think part of the conditions of that...what is that, Mission Street by Saint Anthony. That all those type of improvements was part of the project district that I believe at that time was a C. Brewer agreement with the County. So I would ask if you would review it with Planning and to verify for the Committee before decision making, because I will...I refuse to pay for an entitlement condition with any type of government funding.

MR. GOODE: I'll definitely double check.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: If that can be verified please, Director.

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I would appreciate that. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Good point. How many of this type of agreements do we have that maybe we forgot about it.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And that's why, Chairman, I think, you know, Planning, which is part of the CIP review required by Charter, should be assisting departments like Public Works, 'cause, you know, if dinosaurs like me eventually die off, you know, and people forget. Are we going to then use taxpayers' monies to fulfill conditions that private developers make to get an approval. So I just share that, and thank you very much.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah, thank you. I know in the past we had a lot of issues regarding Waiale Road, you know, and you mentioned some of them too, yeah, up to Saint Anthony Schools and going toward Happy Valley. Yeah. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No, I think that was a good discussion. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. Next one is 3-165, Mill Street Retaining Wall. Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Thank you, Mr. Chair. This is one of those where the picture does justification on the lower left corner of the page. Of course we did the big Mill Street retaining wall farther up the road a number of years ago. This is smaller yet very problematic, those rocks fall onto the sidewalk all the time. We get complaints on it, and so I believe we've initiated design already so this would be for construction.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Is this a historical wall?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: It probably is to some degree. It's within our right-of-way. I think...I'm pretty sure...I'm positive we own it, and so as part of that design process it'll go through SHPD.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Is there any drainage issues that we might wish to consider in supporting this project with, Director, regarding Mill Street or Central Avenue? If, you know, there's some engineering or drainage issues we can coordinate with this project, you know, people like me would be open to it.

MR. GOODE: Okay. Yeah, there might be, I have to find out.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: How many lineal feet is this wall? Five hundred thousand seems like a pretty big amount.

MR. GOODE: I don't know. At most a couple hundred feet would be my guess. So there might be other ancillary work, like for instance this drainage work Mr. Hokama mentioned.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you. Mr. Goode, the construction project, this is going to retain the wall in its original form using rocks or is it projected to use another source?

MR. GOODE: I think it would be like a CMU, reinforced with then some kind of cladding on the outside similar that we used on the other Mill Street retaining wall, you know, to again to give it some character.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. I think I missed one in between. Kamehameha Avenue Improvements at Kane Street, 3-162. I think this is right by Maui Electric.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, Mr. Chair, this is a signal improvement. The design has already been initiated. It is Federally funded as well, and that intersection is on our priority list for intersections needing signalization. There...it was...a roundabout was investigated. It's just not practical because of the unevenness of the traffic there, primarily coming out of the residential side on Kane there's just not that much. You know on its, what is it, 75 percent Kamehameha and 25 percent coming off of Kane. So we're moving right along and we'll be ready for construction.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Chairman Mateo, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Mr. Goode, what part of this project addresses the ADA compliant requirement?

MR. GOODE: I'm not positive, but I would think...there's a couple of sidewalks there, if I recall, by Maui Electric. I'm really not certain.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Chairman, thank you. Director, just so I can understand, and I appreciate the ADA compliance component. But when would a four-way stop versus a signal be the determining factor? 'Cause I like how Waiale and Kaohu works with the four-way stop. Everybody understands and you practice pretty much courtesy. First there makes their turn or goes straight ahead, so I'm just wondering because we also have one by Maui Lani and Kamehameha, you know, from that golf course area, it's a four-way stop. And people seem to

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understand and it's a courteous thing, and, you know, traffic flows without being a roundabout or signalization requirement. So I was wondering if maybe you can help me understand what would tip it from one to the other.

MR. GOODE: Usually it's the traffic volumes at peak hours. There's a warrant analysis that's done, it has like 13 different criteria ranging from, you know, peak hours to 4-hour volumes, 24-hour volumes, number of left turns is another one. Every time there's a left turn, it tends to make an intersection perform less efficiently.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

MR. GOODE: So it...in this case a significant number of warrants were met to require the signal.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you very much.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Good question. The one at Papa and Lono it seems to be working pretty well. You know, as soon as people understand that, you know, courtesy, the right guy go first, you know, things like that. It's working really, really good, so. I know it's going to be replaced sometime in the future, but presently it does work. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. These traffic signals that are kind of improvements Countywide, are they all going to be LEDs?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, all our signals are LED based.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Are currently LEDs?

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: I agree with Member Hokama that, you know, that four-way stop works quite well; however, there is an issue with people who don't understand four-way stops. You know us old drivers who had to learn how to operate four-way stops, I think we're real comfortable, but I know that sometimes people don't know and they don't wait 'cause they don't know. So I guess it's a tossup between whether we take that chance away and put up a light or we just continue to...but it isn't that it's catastrophic, I don't see it. People are very careful. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. The next project is on Page 3-169, Wakea Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation, Kaahumanu Avenue to Puunene Avenue. Well I guess, Mr. Goode, this will take care the one that I just talked to you about earlier.

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MR. GOODE: Yeah. I misheard you, I didn't realize you said Wakea. So, yeah, a big project here. Almost the entire length of Wakea, and again rehabilitation of the roadways and the sidewalks too. There's some areas there the sidewalks are not great shape, so we'll be fixing those up as well.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, but a great project.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Supportive.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Same.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Fast question. Macadam or concrete, which is better?

MR. GOODE: Well I think if...for what's better, probably concrete.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Concrete.

MR. GOODE: What we can afford --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Is something else?

MR. GOODE: --might be asphalt at this time. Because the Federal government will not pay for the asphalt or excuse me, pay for the --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Concrete.

MR. GOODE: --concrete at this time.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ah, interesting. Oh, you see most of them on the mainland, it's all concrete on the freeways.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, I think on freeways they can justify the life cycle benefits better, and the...my hunch is that the concrete prices on the mainland are a lot better.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. Let's see. Next project, 3-170, Papa Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, Papa Avenue, again, another rehabilitation project. This would be for the design portion. And with this we'll have done all...most all the major roadways within Kahului, and I know we've got the Federal funding I think lined up for that FY '14 slot.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No problem.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Director, so I can understand. I understand the design part and then the next year you're going to come in for that huge 4.3 million, so besides construction so I can understand the design component, also from the Highway Fund is other. So what would the other be for the Highway Fund?

MR. GOODE: That would probably be for construction management.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: That much?

MR. GOODE: It's...yeah. Well...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Or is it because of the...and again, I know when you take Federal money, they're very...their oversight component sometimes can be a real pain in the okole. So...but that's a lot of money though for a project for construction management.

MR. GOODE: I don't disagree.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Is there something that in house through one of your, you know, engineers could qualify to do that construction management on our behalf?

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MR. GOODE: You know we have done it on certain projects. Well the traffic signal projects we've seen that are Federally funded, we're doing that in house. So it really comes down to, you know, at that particular moment do we have the internal resources to devote the construction management to this project or not? 'Cause we do a lot of construction management. Almost all our projects...a lot of them we do in house. All the resurfacing, obviously these traffic signals that are Federal funded, we're doing it.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Right.

MR. GOODE: So it really just comes down a manpower, and so at that particular time should we do it or not. And generally the bigger the project is then we find it's more cost effective. Or if you're going to do CM, do it on the bigger projects.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, Director, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No, I'm satisfied.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. The next one is 3-145, Lahaina Watershed Flood Control.

MR. GOODE: This project of course is an ongoing multiphase project that we started, you know, at the outlet and working our way up the drainage way. We got an opportunity to get more Federal funds recently which I believe this is what we're recognizing here, and so we're...what we actually did was it's been split up into all these different phases. We did the outlet phase, and then Phase II was divided into two phases, II-A and II-B. II-B is under construction, I think it's II-B is under construction right now. Hawaiian Dredging is starting that. And then II-A which is just a crossing under Hokiokio Road, we had a contractor who was all ready to go, but then these new Federal funds became available for the next section, it'll be Phase III. Well due to various logistics, it made more sense to combine Phase III into what was II-A, so we scrapped that contract and we're going to go out to bid with a new 3.3 of Federal monies that became available and also do this Phase II-A simultaneously. So it's a little bit of alphabet soup, it's hard to follow, but the bottom line is that we got a good chunk of monies came in, and for a variety of reasons it was better to combine it with a small existing portion we had. Moving, you know, looking ahead, you know, the viability of Federal funds has become...becomes more and more into question for these types of projects, and so when this opportunity came up and it was actually through the Senator's Office that we found about it, you know, we jumped on it. Because we're just...we're not 100 percent certain we're going to be getting Federal funds moving ahead.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran, question?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, just if I can get a little bit more elaboration on the land rights and acquisition portion of this project? It looks like there's going to be a total of 1,400,000 for acquisitions. Is that right?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, the current appropriation, that's been spent and it's been done. In fact they just finalized the \_\_\_\_\_ I think it was last week. As we move forward...as we move towards Lahaina we'll be getting into Amfac lands and maybe Kamehameha Schools, so the majority of the land acquisition we had to do from the West Maui land holdings has been done.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. And the next year...the following year's appropriations are anticipating the future lands will be coming across heading back towards Lahaina then --

MR. GOODE: Right.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: --acquisitions?

MR. GOODE: Right.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: And is there some issues with land rights? It's kind of used in the project description, that wording.

MR. GOODE: I'm not aware of any significant issues, no, but other than the fact that we may have to acquire land.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay.

MR. GOODE: But this time I don't think we've encountered any reluctant landowners.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thanks.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Chairman, thank you. Just quickly. For some reason this project will impact your operation by 150,000 whereas most of the other projects there was no impact. Could you give us additional comment, please, Director Goode, under operative impact narrative.

MR. GOODE: Thank you, Mr. Hokama. This is a...I'm glad you pointed that out, because, you know, these are new facilities that we don't currently have to maintain from our Lahaina Baseyard. And our Lahaina Baseyard handles a lot of our existing basins already. These will be a combination of channels, not concrete, you know, grass channels that we're going to have to mow on occasion, and we're going to have to deal with all kinds of things over there. So...and then they have basins as well. So there will be an increased maintenance component to this.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I understand that and I appreciate that. Does this also include additional positions, Director, in your estimation? At least, I understand the equipment component because there's more areas of maintenance, but this is also including additional manpower requirements?

MR. GOODE: It may, it may. I think Lahaina was increased with manpower not that long ago, perhaps in anticipation of some of this, and we've actually ramped up our maintenance at a lot of our existing reservoir/dams now that the State has passed a law on dams.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yes, yes.

MR. GOODE: So, yeah, we've...maybe the timing was right that we staffed up, because we've got existing dams and reservoirs that are requiring more maintenance and now we're going to have this new facility. So we might be coming to you in ensuing years here with a request for that.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, so this anticipated operation impact is at the end of the project more than likely or within like next year's request? When do you anticipate this to really impact in your operation...*(inaudible)*...

MR. GOODE: I'd say at least a couple years. By the time the construction is completed and then whatever holding period we have with the contractor to maintain it.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Oh, okay. Okay. I think this is a good...and real quickly only because of comments shared to us not only last night but I think it was West Maui. Soil and Water Conservation, you know, the request for funds and the volunteers that serve on those things, like Mr. Nobriga and others, they're part of this overview and coordination for a project such as this also?

MR. GOODE: Well they certainly spearheaded the effort, you know, to get the --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, I know that.

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MR. GOODE: --funds.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, so I'm just trying to understand...

MR. GOODE: And we probably wouldn't be talking about it if it wasn't for their efforts. But I think at this point it's pretty much been handed off to NRCS. You know they do a lot of the design --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

MR. GOODE: --design work, and I know the Soil and Water Conservation District is in full support.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And the only reason I ask that, Chairman, is because our Soil and Water people have asked to assist their volunteer services, a staff position. And so, you know, I'm just trying to understand as their role as it helps on this major type of project, if their role is critical to getting like you said...I know they initiated a lot of the thing to get the money. And so if part of that staffing assists us to even do more because their participation in the process, then it really makes sense for us to, you know, really, seriously consider supporting that request for that position. So I appreciate the comment, Director.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. The last project is Safe Routes to School, Princess Nahienaena Elementary School.

MR. GOODE: Yes, Mr. Chair, I think I briefly mentioned this. Again, it's working in partnership with the school, and this is part of those first funds that were allotted or released from the State. Real proud of our traffic section. We should...I'd like to specifically mention Nolly Yagin and Kurt Watanabe for getting these funds.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, thank you very much for this. Extremely needed and more of it, and I guess overall, yeah, just thank you so much. And hopefully we can look forward to future...more projects of this nature. And that's it. Looks like I only got two CIPs out of the entire two items in West Maui.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Wait, wait, I get some over here. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No problem.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: I'm fine.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

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COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Fine.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Support.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Support.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Couple questions, Mr. Goode. You know we had a hearing last night, a meeting up in Pukalani...Mayor Hannibal Tavares Community Center. Two things were...well one thing was brought up at that meeting, Hansen Road between Hana Highway to Pulehu Road. What is our plans to improve that section?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, actually all of Hansen up to where we've straightened out, made it less of an S turn by the mill is slated for Federal funding in FY '15. We have some ongoing discussions with FHWA as to, you know, whether this project's even on one of those eligible roadways or not, but we're confident we're going to get that clarified that it is indeed in there. They totally agree and so does DOT. But it's a project that's under design, so we've started the work. We're trying to make sure that we actually have bikeways along the side of it. We have to improve the bridge crossing, I think it's Kalialinui Gulch. It's really tight there so that's another little subproject within this, and it's our...yeah, we really want to get it done.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, good. Thank you. Ms. Baisa, question?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, but thank you for asking. That was one of the KCA's...Kula Community Association's question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Referring to last night's meeting, there was...refresh my memory, Staff and Chair, I think it was Rita Silva who mentioned I think...is she on Olinda Road?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Olinda Road, yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: And said that she had dedicated a bunch of roadside to this County and what happened and since the '70s or something, and where's the improvements and if we're not doing it then give it back is what she said.

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MR. GOODE: I'm well aware of this one. Ms. Silva subdivided property. As part of the subdivision requirements she had to dedicate road widening lots, because a portion of Olinda Road I think fronting her property was not up to 40 feet as standard. So those dedications was probably...probably, 'cause I'm not super positive but a shoulder, so it wasn't intended to make the road wider in that area at all. So as part of the benefit of getting the subdivision, the road widening lot was required. So it's uncommon, what she provided, to a lot of other ag-type subdivisions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you for asking though.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: The other thing that I had over here is in regards to whenever we do road improvements, how do we handle the deferral agreements?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, that came up earlier so I'm glad you mentioned it. And I have a pretty comprehensive response coming back to the Committee. I don't know if you've received that yet. We're still putting it together because it was...there was a lot of questions and they required a fair amount of research. You know this Council, I think the last term, you know, had the issue, deferral agreements came up, and there's...and at the time the Department didn't have a good handle on how many agreements were out there or where they were, et cetera. And what we've done is since then our staff has gone through over 3,000 subdivision files and gone through them all to find all the deferral agreements. They've made copies of them all and they've made a GIS layer of exactly where all these deferral agreements are. And since that time, they've actually gone in and re-colored all that layer so you can see a specific agreement, what area it affects. So it's an extremely useful tool for us now to know on any given roadway whether there's a deferral agreement or not. And there's large sections of the County where there's hardly any of them, and there's other sections where they're concentrated. West Maui is one of them and the Upcountry area, especially like this ag subdivision-type thing. But it's basically for three lots or less, so these are small subdivisions, a lot of them. They were just three lots at the time. And so they were given the option then of either improving the road that adjoins them or deferring it to a future time when the County comes in and improves that road. And so we estimate roughly that per lineal foot of frontage road we're owed when we do the work, about \$250 per foot. So if a property has 100 feet, that property owner is going to owe the County roughly, I mean real rough, \$25,000 when we do a project there. And right now other than Lower Road 4, there was one other project which I can't remember which will be in that letter, you know, that we have some deferral agreements. And possibly to Lower Road 3, which we finished already, may have some deferral agreements. Compounding all that is that some deferral agreements, three lots, had another future three lot and a future three lot, so it got subdivided again and again, had different deferrals. And in some cases especially in West Maui, the original three-lot subdivision was a huge piece of land that went halfway up the mountain, and so there's a possibility there's going to be some deferral agreements where theoretically there's 1,000 different owners and they each owe us \$25. I mean it's getting...it potentially is getting really crazy as it relates to us

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trying to administer it. So we're going to devise some ideas and probably come back to this body in one Committee or another and try to figure out a way to handle those complex ones. But the simpler ones, it's going to be pretty straightforward. So I know there's a perception out there that as you drive down our roadways there's like money bags hidden in there, that there's this, a pot of gold on every road 'cause these people owe us money, and I'm here to tell you it's chasing rainbows, okay. There's money here and there, but they are not large sums of money that are going to rain down on us in any way, shape, or form. But it's our job, I feel our Department's job is to find those deferral agreements and make people accountable for what they agreed to do. Even if they bought and sold down the road, those are recorded agreements on their property. So we will figure it out and we will work to, you know, find those and make sure that those monies come in when we do projects in those areas. But it's not as...it's not millions and millions of dollars.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. Okay, Members, that concludes the CIP portion.

MR. GOODE: Mr. Chair, could I have one more thing --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure, go ahead.

MR. GOODE: --on the CIP, if I could? Thanks in allowing me to indulge this. I just wanted to maybe brag a little bit and also thank our staff, but let you and the public know, you know, last year or FY 2011--I'm looking at hopefully some final numbers here--we had in County appropriations about 18½ million, we spent 14½ or encumbered which is about 78 percent. So those funds that were lapsed, almost all of them were due to low bids. It wasn't due that we didn't do the project, it was due to low bids. And one project we had it was supposed to be for a Federal match and the Feds changed the rules and they did 100 percent of it, so our match just evaporated. So if you take out the lapsed...excuse me, that change in that Federal project and the low bids, 99 percent of the funds you allocated were either spent or just came back because we got great bids or this change in Federal. And then if you throw in the Federal dollars that we got, almost \$12 million and you look at the original 18.5 appropriation that you had for County funds, 87 percent of all those funds were spent or encumbered. And I think that's...you know we talk about...we'll probably talk later about performance measures, et cetera, that's exactly what we, you know, we want to see from the Administration level. I'm sure you folks want to see it. The public wants to see it, how we appropriated these funds, and so I just wanted to make sure I got that in at some point today. It seemed like a good place to discuss it, so hats off to the Engineering Division and Cary Yamashita is the head.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Good. Very good. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you. And good job to your Department. The question I have is, is this a situation where if you had a little bit more leeway in your projects, you could have let's say paved more roads if it was a road paving project? We talked about it prior to the break. Is this this situation here?

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MR. GOODE: Yeah, for those ones that we had...where the bids came in better and we basically lapsed those monies, maybe they're recognized as Carryover/Savings for this time around. Yeah, they're...we could have perhaps, you know, paved some adjacent roads or something like that, and then utilized that contractor already being there, already mobilized --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Right.

MR. GOODE: --already giving us hopefully a good price based on the quantities. It seems intuitive to me that, yeah, we would have an opportunity to, you know, get even more done.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Mr. Chair, I know you weren't here for that. We talked about it a little bit, seeing how we can give them a little bit more leeway on especially road paving projects if they come in under bid or --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: --whatnot. Thanks.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Lower bid, yeah. I don't know if Mr. John Wilson called you yet. At last night's meeting he had identified certain areas in Kula that, you know, need to be looked at as far as repaving and the like. So you should hear from him shortly.

MR. GOODE: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Chairman?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I hope you would share this with our State delegation, because my visit with them on Tuesday, they were asking me about the ability of our Department to perform, and I told them that they were performing excellently. Because they are open to considering then utilizing the County to assist them in some State paving projects, also.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Good news. So I understand you got a new paver, yeah, inside here in your budget?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, let's get to that.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, good. Any more questions for Mr. Goode in regards to what we heard last night regarding pavement and the like? I got two more questions. The only time we collect deferral agreements is when the County builds or do a project?

MR. GOODE: Right. And that's what they're deferring to, time when we do the project. That way you don't...the idea was that instead of having this patchwork of they did an improvement, then it's

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unimproved, that if we...when we come in, it might be more cost effective because we're doing a big project.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: So there's no deadline when to collect?

MR. GOODE: No, not that I'm aware of in the deferral agreements.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Okay, good. You guys want to take a short break or continue? Continue? Five minutes? Okay, we'll take a recess. We'll reconvene at 2:40, and then we go directly into the different programs. This meeting is in recess. . . .(gavel). . .

**RECESS: 2:32 p.m.**

**RECONVENE: 2:46 p.m.**

CHAIR PONTANILLA: . . .(gavel). . . The Budget and Finance Committee meeting is now reconvened. Members, if we can all turn to Page 6-381, Public Works Department Summary. And if we can have brief comments by Director Goode.

MR. GOODE: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Yeah, this is...wait a minute, am I on the wrong one? Oh, shoots. Okay, backing up.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go.

MR. GOODE: This is the admin side, right?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah.

MR. GOODE: Okay. Well this funds my position, so I don't have any more questions. No wonder my staff highlighted this. No, okay. Yeah, obviously, you know, you know what our Department does. Our particular office and it's just six of us, besides Rowena, the Deputy who we look forward to getting back here the 1<sup>st</sup> of June. We have an Administrative Officer. We have an Assistant to the Administrative Officer, a Clerk, and our Secretary, Ms. Ono, and it's just the six of us. And everyone does a fine job. And I don't have much more to add.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa, any questions regarding the A Account for Mr. Goode's area --

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, mister...

CHAIR PONTANILLA: --on Page 389?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: The Premium Pay, is that due to maternity leave or? Just big jump in that in your section, two hundred...what?

MR. GOODE: Can you show me where you're looking?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Your Administration Program.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair, I believe we're on --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. BAZ: --Page 6-388 of the --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah.

MR. BAZ: --Public Works Administration Program. There's zero change in the Fiscal Year 2013 Budget as adopted in Fiscal Year 2012.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Oh, I guess I'm just looking at the other...like it was 229 and then boom, it jumped up to 6,000, but I guess that was prior.

MR. BAZ: Oh, just actual versus budgeted, correct. Yeah, the \$628 and \$229 are actual expenditures.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Oh, right, right. Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama? I'll come back to you. Mr. White? Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Let's see. Ms. Baisa, the B Account, Operations?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, sir.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Nothing.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch? Mr. White?

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COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Just a question. On the...you're requesting the same as was adopted last year, but last year was double the actual from the year before. So can you...do you have any idea what your expenditures are year to date?

MR. GOODE: The last I looked we were probably on the 50 percent level, so we're coming in under budget. We do set aside some funds for...if we have particular grievances that happen within the union contracts, and if it requires any settlements or arbitrations. We had one the previous year, we haven't had any this year. So far not seeing anything coming up for next year. But those can be very significant costs, and those are handled within our Administrative Program.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Is that within the Services line?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, within Services. We didn't travel much the last year or so. We don't see anything extraordinary there. So, yeah, at this point we proposed the budget, we just kept it flat.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama, questions?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No. No, thank you, Chairman.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: You don't have anything for machinery, right?

MR. GOODE: Correct.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa, Goals and Objectives?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, I'm very pleased with what I'm hearing about the performance of the Department, so I'm okay. I think they're doing the best they can. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Just following up, and I believe it might have been the gentleman you mentioned, John Wilson. One of the testifiers last night in regards just getting more public outreach or I guess more one-on-one community type meetings. I see your Goal 1, No. 2, relations with community groups and things, so...and you're looking at doing at least ten. Just wondering if you have...I guess people want to see what they were told is going to happen in their districts and then what are the updates, or where is it, and what's going on. And I guess some people would like to hear from you folks personally that hey, here we are and we've accomplished this much and this is where we're headed and what have you. 'Cause I guess they

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don't physically see it going on and would like like a little bit more dialogue and communication. So hopefully your number ten here is going to elaborate and do more of that type of outreach?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, exactly. And that's...I think you bring up a good point. You know trying to get the message out no matter, you know, whether I think if you're a Council member or you're in Administration, it's really hard, and we try, you put things on the website, you can issue press releases. Ultimately, people want to see you, you know, talk story. The Kihei Community Association has invited us or at least me to at least one meeting a year, and this last time we met 'cause we had already written this as our objectives, I suggested to them to...like, no, we want to come every year. And so I think what I'd like to do is community associations are a great outlet where they exist, and there's other organizations in other areas. I mean the West Maui Taxpayers is one in your area, Lahaina Bypass Now. Those types of groups, is make some regular visits and schedule that and be proactive. And so that's something we definitely see we've got to do it, it's a great way to get our message out.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Good, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: You're still going to plan on being on any radio shows? That helps too.

MR. GOODE: As long as I'm invited, yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: The fourth Tuesday of every month.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Chairman, I just want to commend the Director in his efforts in the...since returning to the Administrative Department of our County. One thing though I will ask, particularly since Ms. Cochran's Committee has been active and the Council has been supportive. With the adoption of the new adjustments in Building Code and whatnot, I think one of those public outreach components as part of the performance measures of making sure the people are aware and our businesses are aware of the advancements and the newly adopted Codes might be beneficial. And that way you...they decrease the amount of staff time needed to explain why the permit may not being going smoothly and whatnot, that in advance they are fully aware of the implementation of revised, updated Building Code, Housing Code components. Thank you, Chairman.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And I'm sure that the Director, you know, understands that.

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MR. GOODE: Yeah.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No, no questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Member...Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Chairman, are we at the goals?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah, the Goals and Objectives.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you very much. Mr. Goode, I just...I wanted to recognize your Goal No. 2, and your Goal No. 2 to me really needs to be noted. Because what this really does is it stresses on professional efficiencies and innovation with your people, and to me that really is an opportunity of you as the administrator of this Department to boost morale, to provide assurances that they will be trained adequately. You're opening doors to the public for input and recommendations in better understanding Codes and rules, and I think this is such an important part, especially in the administrative part to be as open. So I just wanted to recognize your Goal No. 2 and commend you for including it as a priority.

MR. GOODE: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you.

MR. GOODE: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Okay. Next program is Engineering Program. Mr. Goode?  
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MR. GOODE: Okay. The Engineering Program, we...of course is responsible for all that CIP we just discussed earlier today. We got...I got a full staff, not only doing the CIP, they do a lot of other work as well. Of course we have the smaller requests on our, you know, particular Capital Improvement Projects that are covered by a lot of the Countywide monies that we discussed. They also do a lot of reviews of plans that are circulated through Development Services Administration, so private projects that have...are connecting to our drainage and roadway system are all reviewed by the Engineering Division. And they do hundreds of those a year as well. They also of course do...we have Survey within that Division, it's a very important section. It manages our lands that we have and easements, et cetera, and there's always, always questions on what we have or don't have. And for the most part the proposed budget is flat with the exception of some equipment. That's it.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa, questions?

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COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, thank you, Chair. Under the Salaries and Wages, the Right-of-Way Agent. Is that the person that's going around right now and clearing all the rights-of-way? Especially in Lahaina and Mahinahina, where...everywhere, I'm just getting more of the, you know, lash back from the West Maui area.

MR. GOODE: That's Code Enforcement within the Highways Division. This position is the one that helps to secure new rights-of-way, rights of entry, easements. Handles more of the acquisition side.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Oh, okay.

MR. GOODE: Not the cleaning side.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Couch? Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Director, just quickly with Public Works, 0018. A reallocation from 15A to 15L, you know, that's quite a good size jump, yeah, for us, and your percentage change is almost 54 percent. Is this is a different employee that had the already experience and whatnot to move from an A...I'm just assuming, but it's a big step jump from A to L. So maybe if you could give us some comment, please.

MR. GOODE: Let's see.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And we're still within the SR-15 range, it's just a step change from A to L as I read my notes.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, I can't remember exactly why that happened. I don't know if...

MR. BAZ: Yeah, Mr. Chair, I can check with my staff and look at the manpower request form and get back to you. Just give me a couple minutes here.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Again, you know, it stands out, so, you know, I'm just curious. And again if it's, you know, justified, it's justified, and, you know, we should pay our people what they deserve. But I'm just surprised at the big jump in steps.

MR. GOODE: I think it may have been a new person that we had in there.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, okay. And if that's because of a new employee that qualifies for that step, you know, I can understand why. If that can be, you know, verified for the Committee, please, gentlemen. I would appreciate it. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Operations. Ms Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch? Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo? Machinery and Equipment on Page 393. Ms. Baisa, you got any questions in regards to what is being requested?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Oh, what happened to Couch?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Couch.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Oh, Mr. Couch?

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: I saw one blank.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you. Mr. Goode, just your copy machine, is it going to be leased or...because I guess most of the departments lease theirs. That's pretty cheap for a copy machine.

MR. GOODE: No, I think this is for purchase.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Just so, you know, the Director can...a survey controller is a equipment and not a position, right, or person?

MR. GOODE: It would be a cheap position.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: That's why I just was asking. You know normally when you say a controller I'm thinking of a person, so I just...this is a piece of equipment, Director?

MR. GOODE: Correct, yes, equipment.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And I just was curious regarding this autoturn software. Is this...I know it's a new thing, and so is that part of your...for Engineering Division in their work with your projects --

MR. GOODE: Yeah, this...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --on the road projects?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, this is a design thing when you're trying to figure out can like say certain size trucks make certain turn movements. And believe it or not they had...they were doing this by some kind of paper overlay thing, and so it's a piece of software that works in conjunction with AutoCAD. It's really handy on a lot of our existing roadways where we have real narrow roads or the radius on the curb is pretty tight, and so we gotta make some calls every once in a while. Can they make the turn or if they're going into the adjoining lane, how far they're going to go?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And the one I think I can be very supportive is that survey markers and equipment request. Is that what Parks at times assists your Department regarding stop signs and street signs to assist your Highways Division? 'Cause if it is then...

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MR. GOODE: This is the number...markers and equipment?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah. It says to allow installation by County forces as needed.

MR. GOODE: No, this is actually...it's a little bit different. Actually No. 4 and No. 6, permanent monuments and survey markers and equipment are related. And I think in general, you know, the stuff that's being asked for by the Survey Department or Survey Section is going to really, really enhance our capabilities here, but it's also in No. 4 and No. 6 can enhance, you know, potentially the capability of all surveyors island-wide. What they're proposing to do...and, you know, hats off to Russell Higa and Anthony Crook, who in our section there, that they're looking to establish a section of permanent survey markers--we'll exactly know what it is--and put them in the middle of roadways. So they...they're...or, you know, parts of road, not in the middle of the lane, but places where, you know, the surveyors can get to. 'Cause currently our traditional survey markers like Puukolii, well it's up on Red Hill. I mean --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Right.

MR. GOODE: --and so everything over the years is taken off things and they're two miles away, five miles away. The potential for error just goes and goes and goes. And I'm sure some of you...I've certainly heard cases where one surveyor says it's here, the other guy says it's here, and then it's beef. And we're hoping that by establishing a set of County markers at regular intervals, we're not only going to help ourselves but help the entire surveying community which I think will lower costs for everybody moving forward. So it's really a great initiative I think, and pretty cost effective. I think we can get a lot of work done.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Great. And again and I just ask that because, you know, I checked the Highways Division in this earlier review. So will Parks still assist you regarding those things like stop sign, one way, you know, one-way components, and the street names? That like on, for Lanai I guess it's some people think it's popular to take it home and put it in their house, the street name that matches their name. So...

MR. GOODE: That happens?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Well things like Caldwell Avenue, you know, there's...it's from the old Caldwell family that lived on Lanai, so things like that.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, yeah, yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So I just was wondering, I know Parks in the past assisted your Department, your Division to...for some of those signages, so are we still going to utilize part of Parks component to assist your Department or we're going to address it differently?

MR. GOODE: Well...

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: 'Cause I don't see where in your . . . *(inaudible)* . . .

MR. GOODE: I thought we did all that work. I wasn't...maybe on Lanai maybe Parks helps with some folks over there, but traffic signs and markings is a section within Highways Division.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Right.

MR. GOODE: They handle all the signs, when signs are down or new signs are being fabricated, whether it's street signs, street name signs. So pretty much all that work is done in house by us.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: By...in the Highways Division?

MR. GOODE: In Highways Division, yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you very much. Thank you, Chairman.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No, Chair, I'd just like to say that I...with the lack of increase in requests for E/P count, I support all this equipment, because it's increasing efficiencies and effectiveness of the Department without increasing E/P count. So I take off my hat to them. So thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mister...Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Goals and Objectives. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, look good to me.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No. What? Oh, no.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: No more? Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Quickly since Lanai would like to use I guess more golf cart type of vehicles on our County roads. Is there something you would recommend either to revise the Code...my understanding it still needs to have, I guess pass road requirements like signalization,

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headlights, brake lights, and other components to be safe to be on the County road system and highways. Some of the concern has been, you know, why can't just a golf cart, you know, be on the County road, so I'm just asking that. If there's something you can assist me with, 'cause more people again, you know, they just don't want to pay that...well we're getting real close to \$6 a gallon. So, you know, if there's something maybe you can assist me with, I would appreciate it. That's one of the things maybe we can work together on, Director.

MR. GOODE: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Just on Goal No. 2, you have number of lane miles reconstructed, rehabilitated, and resurfaced annually, and the number is 25 lane miles. What percentage is that? 'Cause that...I'm assuming one lane mile is just one side of the road, is that correct?

MR. GOODE: Correct, right.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: And you said that there's somewhere in the neighborhood of 700 miles...

MR. GOODE: About 960, so say 1,000. We'll be hitting --

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay.

MR. GOODE: --one, about 1/40<sup>th</sup>.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Is that the full road width or is that lane miles as well?

MR. GOODE: Lane miles would be, yeah, half the width of a road. So a two-lane road would have...

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Is the 1,000 figure you just mentioned or just 960, is that lane miles or roadway?

MR. GOODE: That's lane miles.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. And is that 25 covered rather gracefully with the 5.5 million in road surfacing and the other projects that we've identified in other specific projects?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, that would be all those projects together. So whether it's --

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: That comes out of your --

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MR. GOODE: --slurry seal...

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: --25 or?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, last year we got 31. So I mean we're trying to...maybe slightly conservative.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: So you're trying to undershoot.

MR. GOODE: Yeah. Also I mean depending on what pricing comes in, you know, as asphalt goes up, we may not be able to get the 31 again.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Right, okay. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you. Mr. Director, once again your Goal No. 1, I appreciate the recognition of having to address the non-motorized transportation needs for bike paths, bike lanes. Soon I think your Engineering Department is going to have to take a look at what do we do with mopeds or those automotive type vehicles that are slow in terms of they go what, 25 miles or whatever it is. And current legislation, you know, at the Leg will restrict them from using both a bike lane and a bike path, so somewhere along the line we going have to take a look at where do they fit in on our roadways. And stated it before and I'm just stating it again. Thank you.

MR. GOODE: Thanks.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah. Mr. Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah, both Mr. White and Mr. Mateo brought up some good points. I noticed that the bike lanes, paths constructed in linear feet annually is only 1,000 lineal feet. That's not very far, that's a fifth of a mile. I was hoping you'd push that up a little bit. And the other one is even if we go 31 lane miles a year, we're talking 30 years before you get back to that road again. Is there...yeah, or you just need more money in order to do it or can you do more than 31 a year?

MR. GOODE: Well unfortunately I think it does come back to money. I know...you know maybe we can squeeze out a little bit more, say, if our crews do a little bit more work, but...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Well if somehow we were able to come up with another \$5 million let's say, that would be another 20 million...or 20 miles maybe, twenty-five miles?

MR. GOODE: Could be up to that.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: So that would cut our, you know, that'd be 50 so you're talking, what, 25 years or 20 years?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, less than 20 year cycle.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Which is a little bit better --

MR. GOODE: That would be fantastic.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: --but you're talking \$10 million a year. Can you do that much if we...if for some reason we were able to get that?

MR. GOODE: I think I...I think we can do it.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. And last but not least, I have always asked you when you don't mention roundabouts and you do you in Goal 3 that you do mention roundabouts, so I want to say thank you for that.

MR. GOODE: Yeah. Mr. Chair, I have an answer on that question Mr. Hokama had regarding the step, on that one position, the Engineering Aid. We actually had an employee who was interested in moving to the Survey Section and learning survey, and it was a Civil Engineer IV. So they took a voluntary demotion, but the rules require that he keep his step. So the step...that's the step he was at, at CE IV, so it got to that step from that position.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, that makes sense. Thank you very much.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Fast question, Mr. Goode. Cost per mile, if we were to contract out work is there an average cost per mile?

MR. GOODE: For repaving what we're finding is about 200,000, you know, you're in the...in most of Maui island, and of course Lanai was almost 700,000, I think Molokai was like 300,000. Hana...well we're doing Piilani Highway when we do Hana, it's coming in at I think around 250 or something. So that's repaving. It depends, on some roads we actually...you'll take out the old road before we put in a new one, and some of the others we just overlay directly. So there's some variables in there.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: How about when we do the work?

MR. GOODE: Well we actually just finished out in Lahaina, finished Ainakea and Kaniau. The portion we did, we did 1.03 lane miles I think it was, and our total cost including overhead and equipment costs, there's a charge out per hour on the equipment, came in at about 150,000. So that's a 25 percent better, and that's including the asphalt and the sealer. And but we also had a lot of extra men on that project 'cause we had some training going on, so we could have come in

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even a little bit less. So that's a ballpark. You know I think...I'm pretty confident we can do it at less.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah, really.

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, Members, any more questions regarding the goals? You know on your positions is there any vacancies right now in the Department or all of them are filled?

MR. GOODE: Well certainly within the entire Department we have. Within the Engineering Division we have one vacancy. We have...we had a Civil Engineer who got a promotion at State, State DLNR, and so we're in the recruitment process for that position.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Okay, Members, we go to Page ...*(clears throat)*... excuse me, 6-396, Special Maintenance Program. Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Special maintenance does a lot of different tasks. The main thing is the veteran cemeteries on all three islands, and we do have some janitorial and grounds keeping jobs, other County owned facilities. I think Mitchell Pauole is one of them. And so various and sundry programs. It also includes the janitors within this building and this campus, I should say. And I believe it has the electricity costs, so the electricity cost in this building, sewer and water fees, et cetera, all come out of this fund.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Mateo, questions on the A Account?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions on A.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions on A.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, but I would be supportive since your person on Lanai, you know, takes care also the Lanai Veterans Cemetery, and I would like to give it a little bit more love and attention since I'm getting comments from the veterans. And so I'm happy to find the money somehow, whichever means might be...is required, but --

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --I would like to have, you know, some consideration for...to assist your Department in maintaining the Lanai Veterans Cemetery at the, a little higher level, please. Thank you.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. And it's not so much on the A Account, it is what your, that Division does, and since it seems that Parks Department isn't aware or willing to take it on, I was wondering if you guys are willing to take on the maintenance of the roundabout? Because somebody's got to be able to handle that landscaping whether it's via contract or this Department or Parks Department, but has anybody discussed that yet?

MR. GOODE: We're working on it.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. GOODE: We'll get it done.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. GOODE: If there's a community group though, I should mention, if there's a community group that might be interested in some way --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: They are.

MR. GOODE: --shape or form --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah.

MR. GOODE: --let me know in more detail the...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, thank you.

MR. GOODE: Great.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: If you name the Couch Circle maybe Mr. Couch would take care of it.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: We'll see you on the weekends over there. If you haven't tried the roundabout, you gotta experience that, especially when there's a bus coming in through that...into the roundabout, and very interesting driving. Let's see. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. Yeah, I can't wait until I can drive the roundabout. But jumping over to County cemeteries, you know praise our veterans, and I see you have two positions, they are strictly labeled Veteran Cemetery Caretakers. I've been getting lots and lots of complaints lately in regards to Puupiha Cemetery, Hanakaoo Beach Park, that particular cemetery. This is Mala and Canoe Beach area, so I'm just...are those in our purview? I believe they are?

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MR. GOODE: They are, and all funding had been stripped from our budget, I don't know, within the last few years. So if you're interested in putting in monies for that, we can certainly --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: And...

MR. GOODE: --give it some attention.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, awesome. And in particular the Mala one, I'm not sure if your Department has had concerns in regards to the erosion of the sand and exposure of the burials, the bones themselves. And how would...does your Department deal with that or have you had the opportunity to address those concerns?

MR. GOODE: I remember this from the last time I was here. I know that it happened on I think more than one occasion, and I'm trying to remember how it was dealt with. But I know...I think we were able to reinter some of those that were getting compromised, but again at this point we have no funding.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Right.

MR. GOODE: I mean basically the policy decision was made that we're not going to do this, be in this business anymore.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, duly noted. I shall search.

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: I'd like to take the opportunity, I was listening to the radio this morning and I overheard them congratulating Pat Evans on her 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of being here at Kalana O Maui. So I thought it'd be nice for us to acknowledge that today. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Good. Thank you. Thank you, Pat. Okay, we go to Operations. Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Chairman, the only concern I have in Operations would be relative to Molokai and the cemetery itself where it's going to be full quite soon. Are we looking already at alternate sites? Because it's landlocked at this point.

MR. GOODE: So the Molokai one?

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COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Yeah.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: That's the first I've heard about it. Maybe we should talk later about that and figure out what we're going to do. We may have to...in general the veteran cemeteries are...we maintain them. We...usually it's State land that gets EO'd to us, so the State takes the initiative, like we're doing in Makawao right now where we're also going to have the same problem, to acquire land.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Later. Thank you.

MR. GOODE: So...

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No, I'd just like an explanation of the drop in Materials and Supplies. It's dropping by one point...well, just over a million dollars.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Baz or Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Let me see here.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: And it should be Mr. Baz's question since it's --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: --based on the Budget Director's analysis.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Decreasing the Interfund Transfers.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Yeah. Is that because we're reimbursed somehow by the State? Because it's...because of the veterans?

MR. BAZ: Let me check on that and I'll get back to you. Give me a couple minutes.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: That's fine. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you, Chair.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, just as part of the administrative component of this program, Chair, I would be happy to support the Director, whatever additional needs we need to provide for the Lanai Veteran Cemetery. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Couch? Ms. Cochran? Okay. Let's see. Equipment, zero. Goals and Objective. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, but I definitely like the Goal No. 1 that talks about improving working relationships with employees and visitors. You know that I'm big on that, and I'm happy to see it as a goal.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, just want to I guess get more cemetery work done somehow.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah. I don't see anything in any of this about the acquisition of more land for the Makawao Veterans Cemetery. Are you...is this the Department that's handling that? Are you working with the State? How's that coming? 'Cause we have couple veterans that are persistently asking us what's the status of that.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, the status is we're helping to put the deal together for the State to purchase the land. Our Makawao Office did a little analysis of how much space was left, and based on their...if the amount of interments are about what they've averaged the last four years, I think we had three and a half years left. That's for burials, and the column barium niches, we had a lot more space. So, you know, based on that, it's not going to happen tomorrow, but nevertheless three and a half years in a government procurement process where the State's buying the land, transferring it to us, et cetera, et cetera, et cetera, along with subdivision issues, that's why we're working on it right now.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

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COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: Regarding the change in Operations, this is related to, as Director Goode noted a little bit, Interfund Transfers. The Special Maintenance Program includes County garage services. These are garage services that are provided to the non-Public Works Highways Division vehicles, and also this includes fuel that is charged. So the negative amount is what's called an interfund reimbursement where that money comes from other programs to go into this program to pay the bill. So that's why you see a negative \$1,054,594, is what we're projecting to be coming out of other General Fund funded programs or I guess it could be actually any other program, into this to pay the gas bill, to pay the fuel bill to the, our vendor.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. Questions? Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: It just seems a funny place to have that kind of an expense when it's basically maintenance of buildings and cemeteries. Why the huge amount of transfer for gas and things having to do with vehicles from other than Public Works?

MR. BAZ: Yeah, Mr. Chair. I guess the Special Maintenance Program is...this includes maintenance of vehicles too, and this is in, different than the Highways, it's managed by the Highways Division, but it's not part of the Highways program that's paid for out of Highway Fund. We need to be clear that it's paid for out of General Funds and not out of Highway Funds, and other than pretty much the Director's Office, this is probably one of the only places to put it.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Let's see. The next program is DSA. Mr. Goode? Page 6-399, Development Services Administration Program.

MR. GOODE: Okay, Mr. Chair. Development Services Administration, General Fund. We also have the Building Permit Revolving Fund which we'll get to next. Development Services, as you know, handles subdivision review, construction plan review for subdivisions, all our building, plumbing, and electrical permits, and it's got a...it also handles Subdivision Engineering Standards Committee even though the, our submittal says the Board of Code Appeals. The Board of Code Appeals, we've effectively eliminated through a recent adoption of the Building Code. We have a really great staff of professionals within DSA. I think overall they're extremely responsive, handle a large amount of paperwork. We're a coordinating agency in the case of building permits and subdivisions where we see the application and send it out to a number of agencies. And that's pretty much it.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thanks.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, not in...we're in A Account, yeah?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Nope.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So, Director, I know some of the positions are by the Revolving Fund and some is by General Fund.

MR. GOODE: Correct.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: What...you know, you and Director Baz shared with us as we look at the A Account, what we're seeing right now is with that 1.9 or almost \$2 million request, that is all just General Fund?

MR. GOODE: Correct.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Nothing to do with the Revolving Fund component and positions paid by another pot of money?

MR. GOODE: Correct.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, okay. Do you tend, you know, since we do have it as part of your ability, to continue to provide some practical experience to college internship components that we give you some flexibility to utilize as well as maybe a potential future recruitment to work for the County in engineering components?

MR. GOODE: They, you know, we've had a lot of college interns over the years. I know...I think that's been eliminated I think in this Budget maybe in the last year or two. In fact I think some of those interns have come back and worked for the County generally as engineers over the years. So I'd say it's something that we could certainly, you know, if the monies were there and

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the positions were there, something we would utilize and hopefully get some good productive work from them and them to get learning experience.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Right. Is there a way that instead of the typical compensation of, you know, money, cash, that in return if they receive a certificate of "X" amount of hours of, you know, accomplishment, that in turn the university would take, accept, and provide them with college credits toward their total requirement for graduation or, you know, certification. Is that something doable or something we can consider to support our college students?

MR. GOODE: It sounds plausible. I would think it's something we'd have to talk with UHMC about in particular.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And again, Mr. Baz, I don't know who and maybe your team or someone if that is something doable, that it's part of a cooperative with UH Maui College that we can provide them with experience and practical job, you know, work that they get credits for it. . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

MR. BAZ: Yeah, Mr. Chair and Mr. Hokama, when we talk about the grants maybe...that we do have a grant to UH Maui College specifically for intern programs and this would definitely fit into that, so maybe...hopefully there'll be a representative there, if not I will definitely discuss it with the representative. They do offer a credit class for the time spent. I know my daughter went through that, so I know specifically that it works. She just finished her...and she got credit for working.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you very much, Directors.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions on A.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. On the B Account, Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Nothing.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Nope.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No. No, thank you. Not B Account.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Chairman, I wanted to just touch bases with the Budget Director in several of the Divisions under this Department. Under utilities, it'll read decrease in electricity primarily based on Budget Director's analysis. So unless you have your own solar panels somewhere, can you tell us how we're projecting thousands of dollars reduction in electrical costs?

MR. BAZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair and --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. BAZ: --Chair Mateo. The, you've noticed this throughout the budget document, and this goes back to the, my staff and I's [sic] analysis of the actual expenditures when it comes to utility and fuel and inflationary factors that we put in. One of the items that we targeted this year was the budgets for fuel and electricity, and we did a thorough analysis of what was actually spent in fiscal year, well in other fiscal years. But we based our projections from Fiscal Year '11's actual expenditures and then had inflationary factors that increased, you know, based on projected increases as well as some fluctuation adjustments to, with the Department of Energy. . .U.S. Department of Energy's projections were as well as DBEDT projections and adjusted the budgets based on those inflationary schedules. So most of the departments the budgets were reduced, on occasion they were increased, but it was something that we did to get real numbers, I guess, is the best explanation of that. There were cases where the electrical budgets had been increased significantly, many of them back to 2008-2009 where then there was a significant spike in the costs, and it had...I'm assuming that prior Budget Offices had looked at, you know, that those numbers would continue to go up but they hadn't. In fact they peaked at that point and they still have not, you know, reached to those levels again. We analyzed those different areas and found significant Carryover/Savings in a lot of the departments in those areas, and in an effort to get the departments' and programs' budgets back to reality, we imposed this change on them.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you. Can you do the same thing for Premium Pay? No, I'm joking. Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Let's see. Goals and Objectives. Ms. Baisa?

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COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yes, thank you very much, Mr. Chair. On Page 6-405, Goal No. 1 which seems to be the most exciting topic here, processing building, electrical, and plumbing permits effectively [*sic*]. Goal is 15, number of business days taken to review building permit applications for Building Code compliance for new single-family dwellings. I'm curious to know how does this kind of compare with what we've done in the past? You know we've heard so much about this whole thing, my permit, my permit, please can I have my permit, so how are we doing?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Doing well.

MR. GOODE: Well first of all, I think you've jumped ahead. You're on 405.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: I jumped ahead. I'm just...that's because I'm excited. Can I have that one? I can wait. I'll wait.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: But I'm going to get to it.

MR. GOODE: I'll look forward to answering.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Okay. Okay, on the others, no.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Member Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Wait, wait, are we on Equipment?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, no more.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: No, we past Equipment.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Wait, I had a question on Equipment. Sorry.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, go.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: The lease copier, is...so Engineering and DSA are in different places?

MR. GOODE: Correct.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: 'Cause that \$8,000 for a copier you asked back in Engineering.

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MR. GOODE: Right.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: These guys are leasing a thousand dollar one a year for...

MR. GOODE: Correct.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, just wondering.

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: And so Goals and...basically what Ms. Baisa was saying...

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: We'll wait.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: We'll move on.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yes. Goal No. 1 on Page 401. It says approval within 45 days--and this is of subdivision applications--preliminary approval within 45 days as mandated in the County Code. What happens if it's...if you don't approve it in 45 days?

MR. GOODE: I think there's a clause that says the Director can extend the time.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. GOODE: I haven't...we haven't deployed that.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Are you hitting your 45 days?

MR. GOODE: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. All right, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White? Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Good. Okay, we go to Page 6-403, Development Services Administration Program, Revolving Fund. Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Thank you, Mr. Chair. The Revolving Fund of course is a companion to the General Fund. It staffs 14 positions, and highlighted here are the number of permits that were issued in FY '11. And for those that aren't reading this, there was over 1,400 Building Permits, almost 1,500 Plumbing and Gas Permits, and I know the number of Electrical Permits was something like 2,500 or 2,700. That's right here, 2,700. And of course we did like two or three times as many inspections for every permit that was issued. We also handle a lot of requests for service. A lot of the staff time is spent investigating complaints on structures, all sorts of complaints, and I think in general it's handled very efficiently. And most of those sections are still working through a backlog from busier times where they now have some time, some more time to handle those. But overall everything's fairly flat as it relates to in the entire, you know, DSA and Building Permit Revolving Fund.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Chairman Mateo, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Director, so the Committee can understand, yeah, in your, in the earlier review of the, your positions and General Fund positions, you know, you have things like Land Use Permit Clerk, you have Building Permit Clerk, and also in the Revolving Fund you have similar job descriptions or job positions. So how does the Department determine which ones get paid from Revolving Fund and which ones get paid from General Fund?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: You know, I'm not certain, Mr. Hokama, the history behind all that. It probably has...some it's historical and I'm sure some of it has to do with just the amount of resources that's in the Building Permit Revolving Fund as they change, you know, from year to year. But in general I think these number of positions have been in here for a while.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah. And, you know, my recollection of part of the historic was to help the Department reduce the backlog of earlier times than currently, and that it was...you know and that is why the Council created this Revolving Fund to assist the Department in reducing and/or, and...eliminate the backlog. And I'm just wondering how we should assist you, because when we look at the Finance Director's Quarterly Report, the encumbrances and Carryover, you know, we're looking at millions of dollars yet in the Revolving Fund separate it from the budget request. And so part of the fees that we have this, the people who apply and pay for so that they can be assured that we're trying to accomplish the goal, if maybe down the road and it might be

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difficult in this budget review is how do we better utilize the fees that are paid into this fund to try and assist you to eliminate the backlog to the level that the Code has intended for us to achieve? And that is why you're able to capture this amount and reduce the level of Carryover, because we're accomplishing the goal of reducing the backlog and expediting permit review and permit approval. And so, again, Chairman, you know, it's part of my old dinosaur history, but I think, you know, sometimes we forget the goal and intent that we build up the surpluses in this funds, but we're not accomplishing the purpose it was originally set up for. So I'm happy to work with the Director to try and get that we still achieve the purpose, why it was created. Thank you, Chairman.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran? Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: How about the B Account, Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Oh, Chairman, just one.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: You know Mr. Mateo brought up the utility part, the electrical, Director. You know, for your inspectors, whatnot, they gotta go out in the field, so, you know, I just bring up my experience with the Lanai gas cost. Do you have enough to take care of the needs of your people to go out and do the inspections in the field with what you're asking us for gas and other components for your people to do a good job for us?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Yes, we're feeling confident that we're going to have those resources. They do spend a lot of time on the road. I'm not aware that we've ever been, you know, delayed due to that, some, a lack of funds in that area.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And, Chairman, just one follow-up.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I know you're responsible for our baseyard on Kaohu and Waiale, Director.

MR. GOODE: Right.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Do you approach it from a bulk purchase of gas so that we get some kind of discounted rate? Or are we just like any other station and, you know, if it's 4.89 that on the sign we see, that's what we assess the Department, 4.89 per gallon kind of approach?

MR. GOODE: Actually it's a lot less. Yeah, just bulk purchased. And I don't think we charge ourselves County tax. I'm not even sure about State and Federal tax. So it's, it ends up being a lot less.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And this is...is that through your Administrative Division? Is that through Highways Division? Which division is responsible to ensure that these things get squared away?

MR. GOODE: Well Highways Division coordinates the delivery and pays for it, and then it gets allocated by, you know, everybody puts their key in and so they know where that key, what car that belongs to and what fund gets tapped.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. And for Lanai and Molokai, it still would come under the Highways oversight or direction?

MR. GOODE: Correct.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. I'm sorry I jumped. I just wanted to know whether it was DSA or Highways. Thank you, Chairman.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Couch? You had a question, Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, fine. Member Baisa, Goals and Objectives?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yes, I think everybody heard my question, so no need to repeat it. I know Mr. Goode's dying to answer it.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Well the question had to do with the amount of time to review Building Permit applications, and this is within, you know, our section for Building Code. So again we're a central coordinating agency, we take in the plans, we keep a set for ourselves within the Building Section and also our Engineering Section for driveways, et cetera, and then the rest go out, so Water, Planning, Department of Health. So these numbers don't have anything to do with them, these are our internal numbers, and in general we're meeting these. And I think that's 'cause we have the right size staff and we have a very capable staff under the leadership of Jarvis Chun in the Building Code Section. And I think they do a really good job at what they're doing, and that's I think one of the reasons you folks passed the 30 day clock for all departments is that that's, you know, that should be the outer limit of review time. And so that means other departments are going to have to...they have some challenges internally in how they handle things and maybe perhaps staffing sizes. But we're confident we can meet these numbers.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Thank you very much. It's really important to the public. They always comment on permits and how they get moved, and I think you make an important distinction that you don't control the whole process, that there are other departments involved, also. So thank you.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, and if I could add one thing. I mean, you know, our PPIT, our Permit Process Improvement Team which also oversee this, is also reaching out, you know, with a second seminar to the designers. Because part of, other part here is that, you know, when things take too long, people will tend to submit incomplete plans, right, 'cause well might as well get 'em in, get 'em in the queue. So then our various staffs and various departments have to open up plans that are incomplete. So part of this process is going to be rejecting plans. You know, if they're really incomplete, they're going to go back, 'cause if we're going to give you the benefit of this time and make commitments on time, you need to make a commitment back to us that we're going to get better sets of plans. So we're going to go through a patch here of time I'm pretty sure that, you know, it's going to be a little bit of back and forth here, but ultimately if they know they're going to get their plans reviewed in a certain amount of time, they're going to give us better plans.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Thank you for your efforts, it's much appreciated.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Member Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. Goal 1, No. 3, Electrical and Plumbing Permits, and you want to issue them within the time period mandated by County Code. What exactly is that?

MR. GOODE: That's 30 days.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thirty days. Should we write that in, thirty days? So we have a number to pull. Because under preliminary, subdivision preliminary approval we actually put in 45 days, the actual number.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, we could.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No, thanks.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. Okay, we go to Highways Administration Program, Page 6-407. Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Okay, Highways Administration. They help oversee all the various districts and the garages, and you know, with a fairly small staff, certainly in terms of numbers to handle the amount of employees they have, they do a really good job of coordination and procurement of vehicles or equipment and oversight and training, equipment operator training. And overall I believe their budget is fairly flat if actually not slightly negative due to the anticipated electrical charges.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Member Baisa, A Account, no?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No questions.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama? Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Operations. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: None.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Chairman, just one since, you know, Highways has the operational component for just only gas. Additional storage for other departmental needs regarding fuel whether it be jet fuel for Fire Department and whatnot, is there sites within our property that make sense? And I'm talking more about our regional areas like Lanai. You know one of the issues for us with Fire Department, their helicopter is we lose so much effective time onsite because they need to return for refueling. Is there an opportunity for us to find ways...and I know you cannot store Jet fuel A, you know, unused for a long period of time, you know, it needs to be utilized within a reasonable time. So but is there opportunities so that when we do have situations, instead of losing more than half the time just flying back and forth between the channel to refuel, we have an opportunity to take care of it on island and give more effective response for an island like Lanai or Molokai?

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MR. GOODE: Yeah, I think the opportunities are there. We worked, you know, cooperatively with Maui Police Department, you know, in Lahaina so that instead of them filling up at the local stations they can come in and use our station. It takes a fair amount of coordination. And for handling specialized fuels, I mean that'd be something we'd have to get used to and make sure there's space for it, et cetera, but it's, I mean it's worth looking into. If that's hindering operations, emergency operations on those islands then, yeah, we'd like to be part of the team that helps to find a solution.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Director. Thank you, Chairman.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, Operations. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: We just did.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Didn't we do Operations?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Let's see. Goals and Objectives.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Mr. Chair, you're going with Goals and Objectives?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Oh, okay.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: I just want to comment on Goal No. 1.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: I want to say that this warms my heart and I'd like to see it in the goals of every department. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, no questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Before we do that, are we going to talk about the transfers or is that just the way it is? 'Cause there's some interesting...

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Oh, we can come back to that.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: So then Goals and Objectives. Goal No. 1, Objective No. 5 which is on Page 410. It says percentage of vacancies filled by applicants that are Maui County residents, only...you only anticipate 20 percent? Do we have...we don't have enough skilled Maui people to fill most of your vacancies? Or is that a bit of a low number?

MR. GOODE: You know I'm not certain, and actually, you know, for this particular Division, I did ask our Division Chief Mr. Brian Hashiro to attend. He's in the audience now and if it's appropriate I'd like to have him come down.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: And while we're waiting for that one, too, Goal No. 1, Objective No. 3, same thing, percentage of supervisors completing Customary [*sic*] Service Skill Development Training annually is 20 percent. Is that kind of low as well?

MR. HASHIRO: Yes, it is kind of low. This is supposed to be a five-year strategic plan, so we kind of broke it down by every year to meet a certain goal and increase it as we go along.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Including the percentage of vacancies filled by applicants that are Maui County residents?

MR. HASHIRO: For the most part, we're close to 100 percent in that.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, okay. But you have 20 percent as the estimate.

MR. HASHIRO: Yeah, it's...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Is that 20...100 divided by or just being real conservative?

MR. HASHIRO: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. All right, thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. And I gotta say this, that when you look at the other goals and objectives and I was going to bring it up earlier, but I think Highways Administration Program,

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you know, I was going to talk about training and you do have it here. And then the other piece that's missing probably is the safety side which we talked about yesterday in length regarding Workman Compensation and the like, yeah. Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Chairman, again I bring up my...maybe one of the measures again is how to...for us to maintain a level that, you know, for me I have too many missing stop signs, one-way signs on the island, especially since we got new residents, who because they don't know it's a one-way street, is going in the wrong direction. And of course again certain names on some of our streets is popular enough that they take those things off the County signage. So, you know, if there's a way we can have the crews or something be able to work with the Division head and replace and install within a reasonable time, would be beneficial. Because I get it from the old...the older families that know that, you know, this has been a one-way street for 80 years. Why is people now driving the opposite way? And I'm going...and of course the answer is well there's no sign, you know. And so I just share that this is some of the practical things that maybe we can address, please, Division...Mr. Hashiro, Mr. Goode. 'Cause it would really help me out and reduce complaints to my office.

MR. HASHIRO: Yes, we can manage that. We kind of rotate between Lanai, Molokai, and Hana like once every other year. So we go to Lanai like two weeks out of the year about every other year, and same thing with Molokai. And we try to schedule Hana also in that loop.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah. So maybe if, you know, your District Chief, you know, for Lanai it's Mr. Sanchez, again who does a great job, you know, for all of us and for the two of you. But if he could maybe just then submit a quarterly report and something that says, you know, this is what has occurred, vandalism and whatnot, but this is missing, missing. And maybe we can expedite the replacement and installation sooner than later, gentlemen. I would appreciate that consideration.

MR. HASHIRO: Yes, both Mr. Sanchez and the Police Department lets us know by police reports and stuff that think of items missing and we note that and schedule it.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you very much, gentlemen.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. We come back to transfer out total. Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. The transfers out are related to Debt Service, the Fringe Benefits, and Administrative Costs as well as for this particular program it includes Bikeway Fund. These are allowable expenses from the Highway Funds, but we transfer them to the Bikeway Fund so we recognize the actual use of those funds.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah, Mr. Chair, my question was the Supplemental Transfer to the General Fund, is that for Fringe? Is that what that's for? 'Cause you got OPEB after that and Debt Service before that, so I'm guessing that's got to be Fringe or some Administrative Cost as opposed to a project.

MR. BAZ: Correct. Yeah, no, the Highway Fund doesn't supplement the General Funds.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah, that's why I was confused.

MR. BAZ: They...it's basically an interfund reimbursement.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. BAZ: It's just...it's probably the Index Code had that title forever and that's just the way that that's titled.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Any more questions on the Highway Administration Program?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yes, Ms. Cochran.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Just jumping back to Salaries and Wages.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: In regards to the position, Safety Specialist moved to Corporation Counsel under Risk Management Section. That's a proposal at this point, too, right?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, okay. Just checking.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. We go to Page 6-412, Road, Bridge and Drainage Program. Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Okay, thank you, Mr. Chair. This is where the rubber meets the road. This is, you know, all our men and women that do the work out there on a daily basis, and they do a great job. I wish I could mention all of them by name, but that probably wouldn't be too practical. But, you know, in order to the work that they do, they do, they require a lot of equipment and

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materials and certainly gasoline expenditures, and in this particular year we're asking for--and the Mayor certainly agreed--for equipment. So equipment which is, you know, the primary reason I asked Mr. Hashiro to join me today, not only to...for the asphalt paving type machinery but for other machinery that helps us do our job. And as we do more asphalt paving work, every paving job we do takes away a few operators and quite a few laborers. That means we're not doing our other Highways work, and we can do our other Highways work more efficiently when we have the right equipment. So the equipment that we're asking for is almost all of it is, you know, replacement, and as we get into that equipment, you'll find that a lot of the stuff that we're replacing has basically become, you know, parts vehicles. Not parks, parts, right. It's your parts car. We have parts equipment. So other than that, things are generally pretty flat. But, you know, the big emphasis here on equipment because it's been three years running we've gotten next to nothing. That's it, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Mateo --

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No question on A.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: --question on A? Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: You know as part of the new things, are you folks furnishing a new conference room or something for the Department or Division? I mean...

MR. GOODE: Yeah, on the equipment side. That's actually the Molokai Baseyard, our new baseyard which we have to start construction here...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. So those extra large guest chairs and all those round conference tables and all those...

MR. GOODE: One of the things we want to have...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, but I'm trying to, you know, yeah, my thing is...

MR. GOODE: The stuff we have is pretty old, but also we want to have, you know, a conference room have the capability of becoming almost like an EOC for the island.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, that makes sense then. And so with the salary and wages part, the overtime is mostly for callouts, Director? Those, you know --

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --unforeseen callouts that you need certain personnel to respond quickly?

MR. GOODE: Yeah. Yeah. And I think we should all recognize what a great job they've done on some of the major flooding situations we've had. We have calls all the time for trees, tree

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branches. I mean yesterday they were fighting a fire in Peahi helping out the Fire Department. Of course the call came in at 3:30, right when they were leaving work, so, yeah, that's exactly what this fund is for.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you, Director.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch? Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: We're on material?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: At A, yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Oh, no.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thanks.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. How about Operations, Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: You know we were in Hana and there was a Public Works worker who mentioned they're lacking in equipment and things. So I'm just curious, I see this rotary motor for Hana, but he I don't believe specified exactly what he was lacking in. But it seemed to be several things. But just curious if you're aware of Hana's lack of equipment, I suppose?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, and we have some specific gear in here for Hana that part of the equipment budget.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. I just see the one, but anyway, okay. Just as long as you're -

MR. GOODE: Well there's a...

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: --aware.

MR. GOODE: Well yeah, it doesn't specify where --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Oh, okay.

MR. GOODE: --but Item No. 38, the 2½ cubic yard wheel loader is for Hana.

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, good.

MR. GOODE: And No. 33, the hydraulic excavator, track excavator is for --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay.

MR. GOODE: --Hana as well.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Good. Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Good. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No. We're on Operations, right, not Equipment?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: No? None?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Oh.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: I said no.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Oh, okay. Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, not at this time, Chairman. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Now we go into Equipment. Ms. Baisa, if you got anything?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: There's an awful lot of equipment here, but I heard the Director's explanation about why they need what they need. So if they need it, I'm okay. I hope we can afford all this.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay.

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COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: And, you know, hearing what they're doing with this paving equipment is very impressive, and sometimes you have to spend money to make money. And in the end, you know, when you compare the cost of us doing it to contracting it out, I think we're going to recover this money pretty quick. So I'm okay.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. When you expect to move into the new baseyard on Molokai?

MR. GOODE: Well we were shooting for the end of this year but I don't think we're going to make 'cause we haven't broken ground. The latest I've heard is that around the 1<sup>st</sup> of June we might be able to break ground. I'm hopeful of that...I'm not...I'd say July 1 might be a better date, and it's going to be at least a 12 month build.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: How long we been waiting, Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: I was thin.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yesterday he was thin.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, I asked my --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Oh, okay.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: --equipment question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah, a couple of questions. You have a network color copy machine with copy and fax, \$20,000. That's again for the Molokai...would that be for the Molokai base?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, all the items, Items 1 through 23.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: I would imagine it's a little bit harder to lease on Molokai because it would be more expensive to lease over there?

MR. GOODE: Probably, yeah. Correct.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. 'Cause I mean it's kind of expensive but...and if it breaks down, are you going to have a service agreement with that or how's that going to work?

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MR. GOODE: I would think they'd write the specs for the procurement to have some kind of...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. The other big question is why do we need a kitchen in a baseyard?

MR. GOODE: Well let's see, couple reasons. One, is if it's operating, you know, partially as an EOC --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. GOODE: --we wanted the capability. Number two, just for an efficiency, considering where it's located in the Palaa Industrial area. You know they gotta...if someone's going to drive into town or bring their own stuff and heat it up, it's just more efficient to have the capability just like we have on every floor of this building.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. Well I'm sure we don't have a commercial gas range at \$2,500.

MR. GOODE: Well if we had...well...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, Chairman. And again, you know, this will serve the whole island of Molokai, so again I appreciate some of the furnishing and some of the components for training. But I would ask, Mr. Goode, if it's part of EOC then why wouldn't part of Civil Defense budget or those grants help you to pay for this request, or Homeland Security or State Civil Defense assist you in supplementing or paying a part of this as...because it would be part of an emergency operations center? Why would I fund all of this instead of go through another component which we reviewed earlier which was Civil Defense?

MR. GOODE: Well maybe Mr. Hashiro has some background on that, but I know for certain it'll be, you know, 99.9 percent utilized by us but having the capability of staffing for EOC.

MR. HASHIRO: Yes, we spoke with Anna Foust with Civil Defense and they said they were willing to participate, but we didn't get any firm commitments from them at this point. I know we're looking at having Police put in like a microwave link at our baseyard so we don't have to depend on fiber optic cables in case it burns like the last time with the big fire. The fiber optic went down so we lost Internet connectivity, so we're looking at Police to put in a microwave network to tie into their Police network so we can always have connectivity with our County network.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. So, Mr. Hashiro, my request to you and the Director is before we make final decision, I would like to get a response either through our Chairman and this Committee or through your Department, why Civil Defense cannot give us an answer why they

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cannot support your request which is part of a EOC request than a road, bridge, and drainage request. And, you know, I don't have a problem providing these things, I just want to make sure we funding it the right way, you know. And I understand...and the justification to us this afternoon is it's part of EOC. That's good, Molokai needs it, I support that, I just don't think it should be paid out of road, bridge, and drainage. You know I believe this is a Civil Defense component, and they have grants or...that they tell us don't exist but it's still in our quarterly reports. And so I would rather use those grant monies if it's still accessible to assist you in paying for this what I feel is, you know, a justified request under EOC. Okay. On the other components of the equipment, I would ask if the Department and the Director would provide us with what it might cost to provide a mobile or a reasonable type of batching plant, a component, because I believe that is one of the areas that the outside factors still may have a slight advantage or for the County a disadvantage. Because if we still need to buy the asphalt and the oils, you know, that's one thing, but I believe if we move that forward I would think then the State is more than happy to look more toward us than to somebody else to assist them in their needs also, Chairman. So I think that is a key component to help us move forward is whether or not we want to consider assisting Mr. Goode and the Division with that batching capability, and if it's mobile then when we do the district things it's onsite, it's less transfer and impact on the road system with the trucks rolling and back forth with hot asphalt. And it might be again for the long term the smarter way to go.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo, I bet you couldn't wait, yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: I'm starting to sweat. No. No, just wanted to, you know, the needs that you recognized, it's really terrific, you know, as far as I'm concerned to take a look at actual equipment. And after these are actually sent there and installed, I'd like the old equipment to be sent here and put in somebody's museum, because what we're dealing with is old equipment. I mean thank goodness Steve Arce get lumber and nails to build a lot of the stuff. They use benches, they use homemade tables, they use everything that we throw away. So for me they've been there so long and, you know, we're on State property, we gotta get out anyhow, and this is such an improvement for our community. You know because it is Public Works that is a key player on Molokai when it comes to safety issues, and it is this Department that really takes the brunt of the storm on our community. So we need to give them the tools just like your training opportunities, the tools to do their job, and this is just part of the tools. So I'm really grateful for it and I really appreciate the move to get this project, you know, off the ground as soon as possible. So thank you for the opportunity.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you, Mr. Mateo. I remember those days. Okay.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair?

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yes.

MR. BAZ: Before we move off of road, bridge, drainage equipment, yeah, and we didn't discuss this in the CIP section, do you want to discuss the Department of Finance's requests? There are a few items in there for this program for equipment.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure.

MR. BAZ: Okay. Let me...it's just...it's Page 3-74 of the CIP.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: This is the bond equipment you're talking about?

MR. BAZ: Correct. There are three items. One is a motor grader for \$350,000, a vacuum truck at \$450,000...

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Three dash what?

MR. BAZ: Three dash seventy-four. Yeah, Page 3-74, Capital Improvement Program, Finance. This is Countywide Equipment. If you look at the project description section, there are a number of items. The last three items are specifically related to Public Works Highways. One motor grader at 350,000, a vacuum truck at 450,000, and an emergency generator at \$200,000. And if you look in the justification for those items they are down there. Maybe not, it looks like it got cut off. So if you'd like further description on those items, the Director can describe those.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure. Director?

MR. GOODE: Mr. Chair, the motor grader is for Molokai as well as the vac truck, and the generator is for the Makawao Garage where we have, you know, frequent enough power outages. Oh, vac truck is Makawao? I'm sorry. Makawao, that vac truck.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Questions, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So, gentlemen, you know, in the Bond request there's a vacuum truck for 450 and yet to...in the Highway Fund you're asking for us for pay to...cash of our Highway Fund for a vacuum truck for 150. So why would we bond one and pay cash for the other?

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair, if I might? The decision was...in my office, in the Mayor's Office we looked at what cash was available in the Highway Fund to pay for equipment, and looking at a level of Bond of about \$4 million for the equipment, and balancing those two factors out. One of the criteria that we used for replacing equipment via a Bond issuance was the longevity of the equipment and the cost. The longevity...these, the equipment that these things are replacing, the motor grader, vacuum truck maybe...I don't have the things in front but it was way over like 10,

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15, 20 years, I think, some of this equipment age. And so, you know, these are things that we buy that do last a significant period of time, way beyond any Bond issuance that we would look at to fund the purchase of it. Also they were significant size, so, yeah, it was...just looking at balancing the amount of cash available to the amount of Bond issuance that we wanted to issue.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama, questions?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: What I would recommend for maybe the next year, Chairman, or the next cycle, you know, it gets confusing, yeah. You think they're asking for the same thing twice two different ways, and if one gets denied, they already get one backup. You know I mean I prefer the old way to be honest, Director Baz, because I think it's more upfront and clear that under Public Works this is their need and it's all under Public Works and not part of a Finance request of --

MR. BAZ: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --their equipment. You know 'cause then that way if it's Mr. Hashiro says no, actually it's we're asking for two vacuum trucks, it's not one, it's two, and this is how we're going to pay. You know that's fine, we can work it out and figure it out. But for me, you know, my thing was are you already trying to trick me by asking for it twice, one in the bond and one in the Special Fund? And of course it's not that.

MR. BAZ: Right.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Well I've been tricked before, so.

MR. BAZ: Yeah, no, Mr. Chair and Member Hokama, I appreciate the comments and I...we actually had that conversation with my staff already to...what we want to do is put it into the program budget details next year but just identify it as a different funding source. It does have to be in the capital program for us to be able to bond the equipment, and so that's why it's in as a Project Capital Improvement within the Capital Program. And Department of Finance is the...we thought the best place to put one rather than having multiple projects to look at.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, yeah.

MR. BAZ: But...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And but yet I understand that, but all of these other things could be bondable, too, that the Division is asking.

MR. BAZ: Yes.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Let us make and work with you folks, you and the Department to decide which route we want to go, and then we can come up with a financial plan through revenues and others how we want to address the payment. I think that is more upfront and fair to the Committee so we can make the better decision than the way it's being proposed this way. So it's just my recommendation of how we can continue to tweak and improve what is presented. Because I...it was for me there was some confusion, why am I being asked for the same thing in two different manners? And yet again you clarified that it's not accurate at all, but in my original review I'm going ah ha!

MR. BAZ: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

MR. BAZ: Thank you for the comments. I do appreciate that, and, yeah, we'll definitely work on this next year. This idea of bonding equipment was one that, you know, we proposed, and if this is something that the Committee like, would like to move forward on on next year's proposal, we'll definitely have a clearer picture as to those recommendations. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you, Directors.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Mr. Baz or Mr. Goode or whomever. We have...you have a F450 crew cab flatbed truck. Is that...it says it's a replacement, but it's one of those...is that one of the ones that we probably are going to be taking out?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: What number?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Page 417.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, that existing unit is in really bad shape, it's really old, it's used every day to get the crews out. I don't know, Brian, do you have anything to offer on that unit? It's a work truck, not a...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: I believe.

MR. GOODE: I look at it more as an equipment than a...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Well, no, I understand, but we...a lot of the other departments we said we weren't going to be doing vehicles like that.

MR. GOODE: Well I guess if we have more sidewalks, we could have our crews walk to the job.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Exactly.

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MR. GOODE: We need the vehicle.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: I think what's missing here is like the age, the mileage on the thing, because when, say, Environmental Management I think came over here, they had two vehicles with 160 plus miles, you know. Yeah, you know, I agree with you.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: And the last but not least, you have two 4,000 gallon water trucks. Did you...was it your Department that said that they were going to get the Fire Department's old...

MR. BAZ: Solid Waste.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: That was Solid Waste. Oh, okay. Sorry.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay.

MR. BAZ: Yeah, thank you, Mr. Chair. Just this F450 crew cab flatbed truck is...

CHAIR PONTANILLA: You guys hungry, yeah? You guys thinking about seafood.

MR. BAZ: Crew cab--not crew cab, thank you--is, yeah, is a specialized equipment. That's why I'm sorry, I didn't even point that one out like I did some of the others, because it is definitely a specialized equipment. They're not going to be able to go and use a fleet vehicle to do this kind of thing. It's loaded with equipment and tools that they would use so that it's prepared for them to go out on the job every day.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, that's fine. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Anything else, Mr. Baz, on the Finance Department other than that equipment Bond?

MR. BAZ: No, Mr. Chair. Thank you very much.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, good.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Chairman?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yes.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: One quick one. Gentlemen, you know, one thing I would be happy to support as part of your equipment...big equipment, because, you know, it kind of irks me when I gotta deal with it on the highways and whatnot, trailers to transport your equipment. You know I don't want to see those flashing lights and a triangle sign and going ten miles an hour on the...you know on a 45-55 highway, impacting traffic. And I would rather you ask me for an

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equipment trailer. . . .*(inaudible)*. . . so the semi, whatever can take it safely as well as at an appropriate speed than seeing our motor, you know, our big gang mowers or whatnot trying to go down a County road or highway at ten miles an hour and impacting traffic flow. So if that is something you need, Director, ask it for, in this request, because it makes sense for you to be able to move those equipment efficiently and safely to the site that you need to have it. So, you know, if that's something you need, please ask for it, 'cause I can...I understand it and I can support that kind of consideration.

MR. GOODE: Okay. We can take a look at that.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Thank you. Remember last year we said no to one department and --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I understand, Chairman.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: --. . .*(inaudible)*. . . new equipment.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I understand, Chair. But the key is, you know, it's more of a hazard --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --especially on the main highways.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: No, I understand, especially those big equipment, yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah. Because Police Department on Lanai cited for that same reason. You're supposed to be on a trailer and not on the County road.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah. Okay. Anything else, Mr. Baz, regarding the Bond equipment?

MR. BAZ: No, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: None? Okay, fine.

MR. BAZ: We're done.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Okay. Moving on we go to Traffic Management Program, 6-420.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Did we do Goals and Objectives?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Oh, sorry, yeah.

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: I got a...Chair, can I put a plug in for a water truck? Mr. Goode, I was driving next to one of your water trucks I believe and it was just leaking like a sieve. I mean I think by the time that truck got to wherever it needed to go, it had no water left, so I definitely see your need for this beyond repair water trucks.

MR. GOODE: Yeah. Yeah, and also, you know, we...in an emergency...well on Molokai when the water system was out, you know, we become a potable water purveyor. And the tank's rusted out and we can't put...we can't call it potable water. You know we're fighting a fire in Peahi, you know, so we've got to be able to spray it, not drive over it.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay.

MR. GOODE: It's time, yes.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: I think time for a break.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: I think so.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: I think we shall take a ten minute recess, reconvene at 4:35. Meeting is in recess. . . .(gavel). . .

**RECESS: 4:26 p.m.**

**RECONVENE: 4:38 p.m.**

CHAIR PONTANILLA: . . .(gavel). . . The Budget and Finance Committee meeting is now back in session. Let's see, Goals and Objectives. Ms. Cochran, any questions?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah. I'm scratching my head a little bit on Goal No. 1, Objective 1 and 2. I'm not quite sure what the measurements...

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: It doesn't seem like it...I mean I just can't parse that sentence.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Which page?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Page 417.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Four one seven.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Six, four one seven. What does that mean?

MR. HASHIRO: For the first one, we're trying to build up our roads to like a good condition Countywide to a certain level, so we're trying to improve that index to improve with our pavement preservation then maintenance work to bring up the level of the index.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. So you can do 100 lane miles in a year? We were just talking it was...that includes repaving, slurry seal, reconstruction, and what else?

MR. HASHIRO: And we looking at a product called Microsurfacing.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, yeah. I saw that.

MR. HASHIRO: Microsurfacing is like an upgrade to a slurry seal, and it provides a thicker...little bit more structure on it but the same materials.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: And how do you get micro out of thicker?

MR. HASHIRO: More aggregate.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, okay. I was just curious how they named that. So then that's the same thing with the next one with the drainage? Same kind of deal, you have some sort of index?

MR. HASHIRO: Yeah. We're trying to inventory more of what we have. Right now we don't have a good number that we can tell what exactly we have, so we're going to do more of that inventory of the roadway drainage crossings.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. So the 20 percent then is your 5 year strategic plan?

MR. HASHIRO: Yeah. We hope to do at least 1/5<sup>th</sup> of the County every year for the next five years.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Wow. That's pretty good. All right. That was the question, I was kind of having a hard time reading that, but that makes sense now. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Are you already capable with a GIS or software programs to take care of this inventory projects that you folks showing as a performance measure? Is that something you need or already it's in house?

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MR. HASHIRO: We're hoping to acquire Comprehensive Maintenance Management to include various components like drainage.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

MR. HASHIRO: And tie it in with a Pavement Management Software, because they use the same database.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, okay. Okay. And then on the next Page, gentlemen, 6-418. You know just going through what Mr. Couch shared with you, then let's look at 2, Goal 2, No. 2, and it's interesting you used the word sustainable. 'Cause that was one of the subjects of discussion in Policy Committee about sustainability, so now it's about roads, sustainability of our roads. But then where we see the numbers here to like ten miles for crack...road cracks sealed, and yet we heard other things about repaving and this things regarding 20 miles, if we can go to 50 miles a year. Do you see an inconsistency that we need to help you adjust or is this already the numbers that you believe? Because if what I heard earlier in an earlier division's review from Mr. Couch about if I gave you 10 million, can you do it, that way it's 1 in 20 years, and that is sustainable. Then when I look at things like 10, 5, and 5 under 2-2, I'm finding a disconnect, gentlemen. So if you can help me kind of understand it please.

MR. GOODE: Yeah. A couple things here. Some of these measures are like crack seals, not something we were counting in the Engineering CIP. Some of the work here is related to that Engineering CIP, they would transfer some money say for resurfacing. And then other ones like seal coated or if we're able to do this micro coating, that's dependent on what equipment get in it from this Budget process and then when it actually arrives, so...and put into use. So it may not be 'til the latter part of FY '13 we're actually able to do some of this. So it's really...there's a couple measures that are maybe interrelated, but others are specifically maintenance where others are more specifically CIP.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Well, you know, like I said earlier, I think you people do a great job, and, you know, I'm willing to work with you folks to get this adjusted properly and more accurately as we get better data. But I appreciate your comments, gentlemen. Thank you, Chairman.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No. Mr. Hokama covered my question. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Mr. Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yes?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Real quick. Mr. Hokama did bring up something that kind of caught my eye, but I wasn't sure and I didn't quite get the answer. How does the 10, 5, and 5 miles plus any, a couple, another 20 miles, how does that add up to 100? Or are there other things that aren't in the goals? That's what I'm trying to get, is where the number...why the numbers don't jive.

MR. HASHIRO: Yeah, for this set it's not adding up to 100 but it's what we anticipate being able to do when we get the equipment. But the chip seal we already have it. We've done a lot of this island already. We haven't done much on Lanai and Molokai because we're waiting for the assessment of the roads to be done by our Engineering Division and give us that data so we can go and do the extra chip seal...I mean the crack seal. So we hope that Engineering would have those assessments done and we can go and do the work, but most of Maui has been done already.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Any more questions? If not, we go to the Traffic. Chair is intending to take our dinner break at 5 o'clock or unless you guys want to go 'til 5:30 and hopefully complete Public Works.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yes.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Five thirty?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Can we finish Public Works, Chairman?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Complete Public Works?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Then that I think helps the Director also in their needs.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Kind of limit your questions, and whatever additional questions you have then put it in writing. Okay. Page 4...6-421, Traffic Management Program. Public Works Director?

MR. GOODE: Mr. Chair, yeah, this is primarily our traffic signs and markings which already spoken a little bit about the work that they do with signs and striping, but also the traffic signals which we maintain. We currently have 29 different traffic signal systems that we maintain, and the

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emergency call boxes which typically don't have too much work. And these folks are out all, every day, every working day and occasionally have emergency responses as well.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. We take care of the State traffic signals, too?

MR. GOODE: No, the State does.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, good. On the A Account, Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Member Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Just on the actual Position Details. Electronic Technician I, II, and III, are any of those the timing guys, traffic light timing guys? Or do you have...

MR. GOODE: Electronic techs?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah.

MR. GOODE: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. GOODE: They do that work.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. That's what I was just...thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. The Operations Account. Member Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Member Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Member Couch? Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: None.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No questions.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Oh, wait. Sorry, Chair. The other costs. Actually I didn't realize it was under Operations.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Oh, yeah. Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: That...what is that Comprehensive Maintenance Management system? Is that a software program or...

MR. HASHIRO: That's correct. It's a software program.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: And what does it do exactly? It's managing just all your different traffic?

MR. HASHIRO: All our traffic signs.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Signs.

MR. HASHIRO: We have a requirement under the 2009 Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices that we have to maintain a certain level of retroreflectivity which means when you shine a light at a sign, a certain amount of it shines back at you. So we have to meet a certain criteria by Federal law, so we need to, you know, put in the proper database and maintain that inventory and stuff.

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Does that go for reflectors on the road too, the center lines and...or no, that's different?

MR. HASHIRO: Yes and no. The center line markings are considered like traffic markings, it's part of the traffic striping and not really a sign. What you see on the sides of the road, those actual signage, that's what traffic signs are.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Right. I noticed they're getting bigger and taller.

MR. HASHIRO: I beg your pardon?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: The signs, they're getting bigger and higher. I just, they're just being placed differently I noticed. I guess for visibility probably, safety and visibility.

MR. HASHIRO: Yes. We have to meet a certain standard of height and stuff also, yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. There's no machinery, so Goals and Objectives. Member Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Member Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Member Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Again it looks like you took 100 percent and divided it by 10 to get your reflective signs in your Goal 1, Objective 1?

MR. HASHIRO: That's correct.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. A little bit concerned about the percentage of cost reduced by FY '13. Are you saying you're going to take 20 percent off the top of the cost? Is that what you're talking about? Are you trying to increase your efficiency so 20 percent of the cost goes away? I'm not quite sure what that 20 percent refers to.

MR. HASHIRO: Yes, we hope to cut our costs of actual maintenance by 20 percent.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: None.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: I got a fast question regarding all of these goals. You guys have an action plan how you guys going achieve 'em?

MR. HASHIRO: We certainly will have one before July 1<sup>st</sup> starts. We're working on it now.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, good.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair, if I might...

CHAIR PONTANILLA: If we had the review process every quarter or whatever.

MR. BAZ: I was very impressed with the Public Works Highways Division, they were the first ones when I sent out the notice to get strategic plans and goals and measures. Mr. Hashiro had...it looked like he had been working on this a significant period of time and was just waiting to be asked, and I was very, very impressed with the work that they did. And I know they'll be confident in...I'm confident that they'll be successful.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. As long as there's action plans and follow through. Garage Services Program, Members, starting 6-423. Director?

MR. GOODE: Mr. Chair, yeah, the Garage Services obviously does all the work within the garages, not only for our Highways equipment and vehicles but for other vehicles Countywide, but not, not everything. And as you can see by their activities, there's a, you know they do a tremendous amount of work. This coming year there's some changes requested in Operations, primarily, you know, cost is a lot of materials has gone up, tires, certainly oil, oil changes and those kind of things. But you know, automotive and vehicle parts is not, seems to have a fair amount of inflation associated with them, so our garages have been, you know, are barely going to make it this year. And we want to make sure that they have the resources necessary to, you know, keep our things moving.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa, A Account? Member Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Member Couch? Member Hokama? Member White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: How about Operations? Member Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Member Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Hey...

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Member Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: I never forget. Member Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Just one thing. You know for the County Garages, Lanai, is the gasoline component also takes care the Police Department, gentlemen, or Fire Department?

MR. HASHIRO: We take care Police but not Fire. Fire has their own tank on --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Fuel tank, yeah.

MR. HASHIRO: --their station site.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. So this number reflects Public Works requirements and Police Department requirements for Lanai?

MR. HASHIRO: This number reflects Highways Division only. The Special Maintenance Program, that Garage Services account is for General Funded agencies like Police.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, okay. Okay, thank you for explaining that. Thank you, Chairman.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

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COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Are there any other operations that can handle the various types of trucks and construction equipment that you service in the garage?

MR. GOODE: You mean like if you send it out to Caterpillar?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Like Allied or --

MR. GOODE: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: --Hawthorne.

MR. GOODE: Yeah. They can...yeah, they, I guess depending on the piece of equipment, yeah, could handle it. I think we're way more cost effective than sending it out.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay.

MR. GOODE: But there are, I imagine there are certain specialized repairs that we send out or if we get jammed up.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Looks like we must be the biggest garage operation on the island.

MR. GOODE: Could be. Yeah, HC&S probably has a big one.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: I don't know, but it's just a lot of people. But anyway, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Goals and Objectives. There's no Goals and Objectives.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah there are.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Four two five.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Unless I missed a page.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Page 6-425.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Four twenty-five.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, nothing, sir. Thank you.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: The Goal 1, No. 2 in regards to percentage of vehicles you would like to replace annually, that 35 percent. Is that quite a staggering amount? I mean I'm just trying to wrap my head around like a number.

MR. HASHIRO: Not right now. Since we're not replacing any equipment, everything is aging, so we expecting...and as the vehicles age they need more repairs. So we're hoping that we can replace more vehicles so we lessen our costs.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Sure, sure. Okay. I just...

CHAIR PONTANILLA: That's it?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you. I'm looking at you have a computerized fleet maintenance management system. That, does that have any kind of tie in with a fleet tracking system or I mean I would think that it might be able to...since we're looking at fleet management as far as where the vehicles are Countywide, if this has...if this is something we're already going to get if it works with the fleet management besides just maintenance. I would think most of them do, so just curious if Mr. Baz or...

MR. HASHIRO: The program we're procuring is going to be an Internet-based software, and it's going to be, you know, I think it's a program that's going to be useful for everyone including maybe the Council members. With a password you can get into the information within that software. So if you wanted to look at what the repair costs was for certain departments, you can probably get that information, provided we provide you the password. It'll be good for both Budget and the Mayor's Office as well as us, so, you know, we're hoping to be a lot more open as far as our information. But as far as fleet tracking, that's not part of the program that we're procuring right now.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: I'm just wondering if you had looked into seeing if something...they usually sell modularized so you can get the maintenance portion, and then instead of going and getting a complete incompatible program for tracking maybe something that you work with the Department of Management or whomever is looking for the fleet tracking system and motor pool system. Kind of...so that we're not getting two pieces of incompatible software.

MR. HASHIRO: We can work on that with Management, yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: You know, Chairman, I appreciate Mr. Hashiro's comments, and so while we may not go to, you know, an actual fleet type of operation like how City and County of Honolulu has done for certain requirements, I would think then it would make sense as part of the, you know, technology regarding diagnostic review and equipment that, you know, maybe the County needs to work with the people like Mr. Baz, Mr. Goode, and others that, you know, if it makes sense, maybe we should buy just brand X equipment for all off-road equipment in this type...I mean like how the airlines do. They're trying to reduce maintenance costs by simplifying and using certain types of aircraft only, so the types of parts you need to keep on inventory, the training you need for your maintenance personnel and others is reduced because your type of equipment is reduced also, the variations of equipment. And so, gentlemen, you know, I would hope that your input to this Committee as well as to people like Mr. Baz, you know how the Police does, you know, at one time they only used Crown Victorias as part of their simplification toward I guess maintenance and how they justify the...the ability to get a bulk purchase price. That maybe instead for certain things we just buy a certain type of manufacturer or equipment that can serve the needs of the Department and the County but reduces the need for us to have Chevrolet, Dodge, you know, Toyota, whatever else type of equip, you know, and have all these different manufacturing prices and inventory requirements that I think we can save a lot of money on. So hopefully we can at least review and move toward a review of how we can consolidate and save, so that Mr. Hashiro's point is well taken, Chairman. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: You're doing it, right, Mr. Baz, already?

MR. BAZ: Yeah, Mr. Chair, I just wanted to mention...thank you. The...there are a number of factors in your comment, Member Hokama. Procurement's one of them. You know we have to follow State procurement procedures and requirement of lowest bid and not spec'ing out things that prohibit certain, you know, people from bidding on it or sole sourcing, you know, requirements. So that's one of the factors that may be difficult in that. Another is the desire on occasion for recommendations, which have come even on this floor, of maybe purchasing either old military equipment or, you know, some other types of used equipment, and that has come up to be in the past. I, the challenge, I had the same problem in my former job in, you know, managing. We had a small number of manufacturers for the buses at MEO, and the smaller number of

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manufacturers, the smaller platforms that we used to lower our overhead was as far as the number of parts and things that we had to keep in stock. It's definitely one of the factors, and I'm sure if Brian had his way, he would say the County has to buy only this manufacturer, only this type of equipment, and it would keep it down significantly. But there are different, a number of factors in that before we just make a decision to.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And that is why with your review and due diligence...and if there's something this Council needs to support as far as adjustments in the statutes under procurement, then those are things that we can go and initiate and lobby for and have the Legislature consider things. Because it is a cost savings eventually to the taxpayers and the residents of the County to consider adjustments in procurement if that is the issue of impeding us from at least considering how to reduce costs for our equipment and inventory requirements. 'Cause I would hate to have five different diagnostic machines because we get five different types of motor vehicles. That means, too, we have to have five different unique training personnel, because each equipment is so specialized that only one guy gotta focus on one equipment. You know I think with technology and people like Mr. Couch on the side of me helping us I think we can, it's achievable, gentlemen. I think it's achievable.

MR. BAZ: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

MR. BAZ: We'll take that into consideration and discussion with the Purchasing as well as the Highways Division.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Any more questions, Members? Okay, we go to Page 7-45, CIP Program.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Grants, grants.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Grants?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah, grants. From Grants Revenue, sorry.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Seven forty-five?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Seven dash four five. It's Grant Revenue Program Funding, part of the CIP project program.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yes?

MR. BAZ: All of the Public Works grant revenue is related to CIP which we've discussed as we went through the CIP items, unless there's specific questions about some of the items on here.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah, I notice that there's the Lahaina drainage project in there. I think it's the bottom one, \$5 million. Is that it? NRCS.

MR. BAZ: Yes, Mr. Chair, you're correct. On Page 7-46 it describes the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act that sponsors, and NRCS to work the plan for the Lahaina Watershed Flood Control Project. And I just wanted to recognize our senior Senator for his efforts in securing this funding for us, and also his office's assistance in being flexible with us so that we can spend this money right away.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. Ms. Baisa, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: None.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Just real briefly, Director Goode. That 2,400 feet grass-lined diversion channel, and you mentioned more manpower to maintain. Is that...normally these things are they not used...that's why it's grass lined is to sort of slow things down and filter it as it naturally goes through the process through a channel and we don't want to manicure it so much?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, Ms. Cochran, we do have, you know, there will be periods of time when there is rain and there is significant growth in there and it could become a fire hazard, so we'll have to go in there, you know, not all year long but certain times of the year and cut the grass back.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah. Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you. And I guess this is just more of a observation that you may want to take a look at, but I think it was mentioned by Mr. Cochran, your husband. Having driven by there a couple times after that was mentioned, there are kids using that as a big half pipe or something with skateboards and bikes. So you may want to put some...

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Barriers.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Not necessarily barriers, they embed rocks or something in the concrete so they stick out. And just so you know, I don't know...

MR. GOODE: This is at the outlet or . . . *(inaudible)* . . .

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah, right at the outlet, right on the side of the road.

MR. GOODE: Oh, at the outlet. Yeah, that is...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah, it's all flat so that --

MR. GOODE: That will be concrete at the outlet.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: --you know, smooth concrete, so they usually rough 'em up or something. Just give you heads up that that's going on over there.

MR. GOODE: Okay, thanks.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So . . . *(clears throat)* . . . excuse me. So, gentlemen, this is upon Congress not making mass drastic adjustments to ISTEA and SAFETEA-LU, and we knew that, and we all know that reauthorization is the big bugaboo at, in Congress. So should this number change drastically, reduced, do you have a priority list of which projects then would not move forward? Because let's say you only get half of ISTEA and SAFETEA-LU money, do you already have a prioritized list of which projects then go forward and which projects get deferred?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Department.

MR. GOODE: We have not prepared such a list at this time. You know if that happens, we would probably, we'd do the ones that are the most ready to go. But it would really depend on what kind of direction we get from FHWA, you know, Hawaii and DOT.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So the STIP is still an important document regarding the prioritization of what --

MR. GOODE: Oh, yeah.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --equipment?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, we live and die by the STIP.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Again, I just, you know, the sense that I get from Congress is that it's going to get reduced, so, you know, I just think maybe we should be in preparation of reduced funding.

MR. BAZ: Thank you. Mr. Chair and Member Hokama, the continuing resolution for the current year's funding has been approved for Department of Transportation which will take us to the end of this Federal fiscal year which is what monies that we're allocating here. So there shouldn't be any significant changes unless, you know, something drastic happens, but as of this point and for this current request. I understand definitely your comments for future requests and how we balance out the need, you know, if we did lose, you know, \$16 million of Federal money out of our road/bridge projects and drainage projects, it would be a significant detriment to this County. Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah. And again, you know, I understand about the continuing resolution, but if the House passes their version of the budget, okay, gentlemen, Congress is going to chop big time. And so again, you know, I always hope the optimism that you share, but, you know, knowing the realities that for many of them it is part of their campaign program about reducing the Federal deficit. Counties like us will feel the impact on the more painful side, so I just want us to be ready to respond accordingly, gentlemen. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Yeah. I share Mr. Hokama's concerns. When I, when you look at the ISTEAs that we're hoping for in 2013 are 5 times what we actually used in 2011, and the total is 4 times or not quite 4 times what we used in 2011. So I share the same concerns that if, you know, we've got all these wonderful ideas but some of these funds just simply may not come through.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Members, that's all for the Public Works Department. I just want to say thank you, Mr. Goode.

MR. GOODE: Thank you, Mr. Chair and Members.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: I just got couple questions, not, well, follow up for Mr. Baz here on the CIP Project Report as of 12/31/2011. If you can take a look on Page No. 5, Countywide Equipment.

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I don't know if these are purchases of big equipments, but take a look at that. And then the other one is in regards to project preauthorization, that the priority was based on the CIP Coordinator along with the Budget Office. So if I can have a priority list, the ones that you guys based this Budget on. This is on Page 3-1.

MR. BAZ: I guess, Mr. Chair, if it made it into the Budget it met our priority list.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: It doesn't...numbered from one to whatever, because if you don't have the money, you know, some of 'em just need to be cut out so.

MR. BAZ: Let me work with the CIP Coordinator and my staff --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay.

MR. BAZ: --and see what we can get to you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, fine.

MR. BAZ: Yeah, no, I understand your request.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah, thank you. Okay. Members, we're at a point we're going to take our dinner break. What time you guys want to come back, 6:30?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Yeah.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. We'll take a recess until 6:30, and we'll take the Management Department. This meeting is in recess 'til 6:30. . . .(gavel). . .

**RECESS: 5:12 p.m.**

**RECONVENE: 6:32 p.m.**

CHAIR PONTANILLA: . . .(gavel). . . The Budget and Finance Committee meeting is now reconvened.

**DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT**

CHAIR PONTANILLA: With us this evening we do have Mr. Keith Regan, the Managing Director of the County, and we're going to be reviewing Department of Management starting with Page 6-199. But before we start, I'd like to have Mr. Regan give us a summary of your Department.

MR. REGAN: Thank you, Chair. Chair and Members of the Budget and Finance Committee, good evening. Thank you very much for this opportunity to be here tonight before you to present the

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Department of Management's Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Proposal. I will try to keep my opening comments as brief as possible. We, the Department of Management, myself, and our staff are, through Charter, tasked to serve as the principal management aide to the Mayor. Our office currently has been assigned the duties of supervising the administrative functions of all departments and agencies under the control of the Mayor. Currently that's 16 at this time. In addition to this oversight responsibilities, our Department provides critical information technology services Countywide through our MIS Division, as well as we provide geographic information system services and oversight. We also provide CIP coordination and project and construction management services to departments that lack the in house capabilities. We also provide ADA coordination, veterans affairs, and Countywide security. In addition to these services, we also assist the Mayor's Office by providing department personnel officer type services to their staff. The Department as a whole consists of 46 E/Ps spread out amongst three divisions within the Department. Our three divisions include the Administration which has 10 positions, Management Information Systems which has 30, and the GIS information...or the Geographic Information Systems which has 6 E/Ps. We currently have two vacancies within our Department, and it's my understanding that both of these vacancies are within the MIS Program. In addition to the responsibilities that I mentioned a little earlier, we have projects that have been assigned to us directly by our Mayor, and currently we are handling more than 30 active projects within our Administrative Program. Chair, just some brief highlights from our request. In the Management Program, we are requesting two expansion positions. These two positions are specifically to allow us to assist departments with CIP project management and assistance. This is an area that our Mayor has asked us to take a greater role in assisting those departments that may lack this particular critical experience or expertise. We do currently have one Project Coordinator. He is on special assignment to our Department from the Department of Parks and Recreation. This position is currently tasked with providing project and construction management to our team. We humbly are requesting in our proposal to have this position transferred from the Parks Department to the Management Department on a permanent basis. Additionally we are humbly requesting your consideration for one additional position. This position is a CE IV, a Civil Engineer IV position, and it will assist us with the CIP coordination and project management duties that seem to be growing and growing as we provide these services to the departments. We have identified a need to expand our ability to provide project and construction management services to those departments that are currently struggling with their CIP. The addition of this position will allow us to handle more complex projects that the Department will be overseeing. Our CIP Coordinator Wendy Taomoto will be...she's actually here in the audience and she will be able to provide additional insight once we get to that point, and maybe there might be some discussion on that. In our Management Information Systems Division, we have...we've gone through a recent...or we're in the process of reorganizing within the Division to better match the functions and duties of staff. This was, this, I understand this started, this whole process started under the prior Administration, but we decided that it was important to move forward with that. So this reorg was, this is necessary due to the position descriptions, duties, and tasks having changed with the change in technology and services that we're providing. In addition, we're requesting that you humbly consider our request to absorb the functions of the MIS Section within the Maui Police Department into our MIS Program. This request was initiated by the Maui Police Department and we do concur that it is prudent to

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have these functions consolidated into one program. This consolidation will allow us to ensure compatibility across platforms, improve services to the Maui Police Department and other agencies, reduce long-term costs, and create a more efficient IT operation within the County. We're requesting that the E/Ps that are currently there with these functions be transferred to the MIS Program. Chair, I'd also like to mention some important information regarding our MIS Program, and just it's more of a background type information. But we currently support close to about 2,000 users that are spread out over more than 50 sites on three islands. This requires a tremendous amount of focus, and, you know, our customers cannot afford to be without service. You can only imagine what it would be like if the DMV lost connectivity or citizens were attempting to access our website only to find that it's unreachable, so this is one of those critical services that we provide. As we move forward, it's become much more evident that technology is going to play a role more and more within the departments. As our budgets begin to shrink, technology seems to be the saving grace. We understand that resources are limited and so that's why we're trying to put, focus more on technology and see how we can make departments more efficient. Our CT, our Chief Technology Officer Jacob Verkerke is here in the audience tonight as well, and he'll be available to answer more specific questions regarding the MIS Program as we go forward. Chair, in addition to MIS, we have our GIS Administrator Bill Medeiros here today, tonight with us to discuss the, his program. Just as some brief background, our GIS Program is tasked with providing support to all County agencies, other governmental agencies, and the public. We've directed the program to begin working with other agencies to ensure the County's geospatial data is properly indexed, integrated, and centrally managed. This includes the possibility of consolidating like GIS functions, personnel, data sets, and providing clear directives to County agencies to deliver a consistent and reliable product. As mentioned earlier, Mr. Medeiros is here and he'll be able to answer any technical questions or questions regarding the GIS Program that the Members may have. Chair, that's my opening comments for the Department, and I welcome the upcoming review. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you, Mr. Regan. I thought it was going to be brief but boy you told us a history.

MR. REGAN: Oh, my apologies.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Anyway, Members, if you can turn to Page 6-204, the Management Program. And I think Mr. Regan kind of explained all of the programs to us in his opening remarks, so I'm just going to go directly into the A Account, Wages and Salaries. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, thank you, Chair. I see...you explained the one E/P that you want to increase for CIPs in particular, and this person is moving over from Parks and Rec. And I take it this person has experience at coordinating this to make this happen? It seems like a very

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important position. So just a little bit elaboration I suppose on the qualifications of this particular person.

MR. REGAN: Sure. Previously this person was providing CIP coordination within the Parks Department; however, through, you know, speaking with the Parks Director, it was apparent that perhaps his workload was not as great and that they were able to shift some of the, his current, his workload under the Parks Department to other employees within that Planning Division in Parks. But he comes with years and years of experience in CIP project management. And so when the Director was kind of mentioning this to us, we thought that this was a great opportunity for us to be able to find someone with those skills, because this is something the Mayor's been talking about, you know, over the years or I should over the, yeah, over the last year and four months, is that we want to be able to help those departments who lack that expertise. And so we're trying to build up that expertise within our Department to be able to provide that from there. And this individual is definitely qualified for this position. This is exactly what he was doing in his position at Parks.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. And is this move generated in particular by certain departments you feel is extremely lacking in such coordination for their CIPs? Public Works, I mean we just went through a whole laundry list of...were there any particular departments?

MR. REGAN: Chair, if I may?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go.

MR. REGAN: Yeah. So I mean we have departments such as the Fire Department as an example who, I mean they fight fires, I mean that's what they do, they're not necessarily building buildings or facilities, things like that. We're assisting them. Housing and Human Concerns, they have projects that they're working on, affordable housing type projects that they need assistance, project management assistance. And so those are just two examples of departments who do not necessarily have the internal expertise to handle large CIP projects, and so those were just some examples of departments that we're assisting right now.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Good. Okay, thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Chairman, thank you. Thank you, Mr. Regan. Well let me take this consideration a little more please. You know we hear you, you know, explain your justification for the position, and yet when we look at some of the CIP requests and let's just take Public Works since we had them for the majority of the day. When we look at some of the CIP

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requests, part of the consideration is for project management costs, and so while that is built into the project, how does this new position assist you when already in some of the CIP requests you're asking for us to pay consultants to do the job of project management?

MR. REGAN: Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Regan?

MR. REGAN: Yeah, thank you. Thank you, Member Hokama. That's a great question. The goal with this is to remove that, you know, to eliminate that additional cost through the development of this program. And so unfortunately because it was kind of midstream that we brought this individual on, we couldn't really do anything to prevent those costs that have already kind of been kind of budgeted for I guess or, you know, contracted for. But going forward the goal is to not have to have or hire a project manager or a construction manager once we have this individual in place on a more permanent basis. Yeah. We...that's kind of the Mayor's vision has been to create this and I think he's talked about it in the past, but the construction kind of team that would be responsible for CIP within departments other than like Public Works who generally have the in house, should have the in house expertise. And so this is kind of taking his vision and allowing us to apply it to other departments, but our goal is to in fact lessen our reliance on these contractors and to be able to do this work in house, this project management, construction management work in house. I also, like I mentioned earlier, Wendy Taomoto is here, our CIP Coordinator. She may be able to elaborate more.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And let me just take a simple, you know, example. Well and we appreciate, you know, the good work like in Public Works, Engineering, but yet if you take this West Maui Soil Conservation channel project which is like a \$25 million project, part of their request is for 400,000 from Federal and other funding per year. So after five years we're looking at what, almost \$1 million for project management, okay. So are you saying to us tonight that if this moves forward that that requirement of financial resources will be reduced for projects such as that?

MR. REGAN: Chair, if I may?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead, Mr. Regan.

MR. REGAN: Can I ask Wendy to come down just for a moment, is that okay?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure.

MR. REGAN: Just want some resource staff down here.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Regan.

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MR. REGAN: Yeah, absolutely. I want to make sure that I provide you the correct answer. There are certain projects that I believe are complex, large projects that one individual or even two may not necessarily be able to handle it, like this \$25 million project that you referred to. But I would have to say that it may help us reduce the costs. We may be able to forgo some of the services that they would be providing, because we can kind of bolster that with our own internal staff. So but I'm sure that Wendy can add some more to that.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Regan. Ms. Taomoto, can you share some additional comment, please?

MS. TAOMOTO: If a project is Federally funded like many of the Public Works' projects are, there's a very extensive, I mean not extensive but there's a lot of Federal requirements, bookkeeping, recordkeeping that is beyond our routine project management or construction management. And so therefore that burden, Public Works is not able to accommodate that with existing staff, and therefore they request the CM Services Contract to help them along meeting the Federal requirements.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

MS. TAOMOTO: The project manager, there is still is a project manager in Public Works --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Right.

MS. TAOMOTO: --but he's overseeing the design contract, the construction contract, and the construction management contract.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. So this request, Mr. Regan, is asking us to please consider, tell us how you're envisioning it working operationally, working with you regarding another type of CIP that doesn't have this Federal funds and additional requirements, please.

MS. TAOMOTO: You're asking how the new CE IV position...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah. I'm trying, you know, I'm trying to understand the role that this position will do and the benefits that we expect to get from this position regarding CIP and the cost savings or this person is going to eliminate the need for us to have certain consultant requirements down the road. I'm trying to understand the benefits so that I can, you know, decide that it's a good request and I can be supportive or not. So if...you know, I'm just trying to understand the role because you're our chief CIP Coordinator, yeah, so how does this person then fit operationally to accomplish what some of us would like to see in improvements in the CIP area.

MS. TAOMOTO: So both the CIP Project Coordinator and the CE IV expansion position --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yes.

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MS. TAOMOTO: --would handle the projects that the Department of Management oversees. So for instance Keith talked about Baron. Currently he's doing the site visits two to three times a week at the Lahaina Fire Station construction project, and he's also overseeing the day-to-day paperwork that is involved with construction management.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So he would go through the progress payment, the monthly progress payment requests and do the review and authorization on behalf of the department and the County --

MS. TAOMOTO: He is...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --to the contractor?

MS. TAOMOTO: He's reviewing and recommending approval for all progress payments. He's reviewing and reviewing the certified payroll, we don't really approve it. He's also reviewing all change orders for recommendation to myself and Keith.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

MS. TAOMOTO: And he's, contract amendments, you know, I mean everything that goes on with construction, he has to review it before the County can sign any documents.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And where does the CE IV fit into this whole plan, please.

MS. TAOMOTO: The CE IV what I'm hoping for is once we get the list for the CE IV which, you know, other departments have needs for CE IV so hopefully that list exists so we can move quickly once approval is made by this body. I'm looking for a higher level of experience to compliment Baron's experience and my experience. So somebody between Baron's experience and my experience that I can pass on maybe more complex projects that we're proposing in the Budget. More vertical, you know, the bigger projects like we're proposing have, are a little bit more complex than what maybe Baron is experience, his experience, you know, lends to. That would alleviate me from having more oversight over his supervision with that CE IV.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So the CE IV would be someone that would replace I guess the project engineer type of positions within a, from a consultant side?

MS. TAOMOTO: The CE IV wouldn't replace the design consultant. The CE IV would be able to handle the project management of the more complex projects as Baron is not a licensed engineer. The CE IV position is a licensed engineer, and we're looking for someone beyond the four years of professional engineering experience after college. You know we're looking for somebody with hopefully six, eight, ten years of experience.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. We still require bonding for our projects, right?

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MS. TAOMOTO: Correct. Construction.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, the construction bonds. Okay, okay. So these gentlemen, this, excuse me, not gentlemen, but these personnel once filled would also be responsible to ensuring the performance and whether or not eventually then the bond gets returned or not?

MS. TAOMOTO: Yes. Baron is currently responsible for the performance of the contractor at Lahaina with me being, you know, overseeing his day-to-day supervision. And that CE IV, like I said, between...I gotta just, you know, I'm learning Baron's experience and I'm going to get to know the CE IV's experience and I'm going to assign them projects based on their experience. And they will be in charge day-to-day, but they will be supervised by me very closely. Nothing will be signed unless I approve it first.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Do you, do we still have the services of Jay?

MR. REGAN: Yes, we do.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So again this is because of the scope and demand of the type of, amount of projects we are planning to do, then that is why the, this is part of the support rationale for the request, Mr. Regan? The, you know, the County's going to go on an aggressive, I guess, construction program?

MR. REGAN: Yeah. And what's happening--Chair, if I may--is that departments like I had mentioned the Fire Department, Housing and Human Concerns, the Police Department as an example, Jay's actually assigned full time to that \$27 million Police Department project.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

MR. REGAN: He's providing oversight. You know he is our, basically our eyes and ears down there and ensuring that the contractor is being held to the standards that we expect.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Right.

MR. REGAN: That they're performing the way that we expect. So what's happening is that because we're reaching out and we're helping these departments, more, other departments are stepping up and asking us for assistance. So it's kind of like they see something positive and they want our help --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Right, right.

MR. REGAN: --with their projects, and so this would help us to be able to meet those needs and do a better job at it so.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Because we are paying a good contract to a consultant for construction management also --

MR. REGAN: Absolutely.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --besides our own County employee, so, you know, I was hoping we'd get some savings someplace and for certain projects we wouldn't need that outside consultant. You know like this police station, we're still paying another firm to provide the same services that I'm being ask that these new positions will help do in the future.

MR. REGAN: Yeah, and if I may. My vision for this would be to not have to do, you know, the contract for some, those services, you know, with these particular individuals with that level of expertise. So you're right, I mean in the future...unfortunately we can't really do anything about the current situation.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yes, I understand.

MR. REGAN: You know but if we were to revisit another project similar to this or have another project similar to the scope, you know, of this police station, you know, we could utilize our internal staff --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, okay.

MR. REGAN: --to be able to provide those services.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, okay. Well, 'cause for me and I guess like Mr. White, you know, our experience in private sector, you lose, you tend to lose a lot of money at the front end and at the end of the project, yeah, with bad management. So, you know, if this is areas that they going be focusing in, potentially saving us money and change orders and some unnecessary other last minute things, you know, I can appreciate that. Thank you, Ms. Taomoto and Mr. Regan.

MR. REGAN: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you, Chair. I don't have a problem with the concept, I just have a challenge with an expansion position that's not being offset by another reduction. And as I've said earlier, the results of the Attrition Program have been less than exciting, and I can't help but think that if this...and I believe this is probably an important thing to do, but I can't believe that if this is an important thing to do that we can't have found some other place to offset. And I know Mr. Baz is probably letting you know that you have 9½ positions that have been eliminated, but you've also, you're, the Budget is also asking for 8 new positions. So we have a net of...

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MR. BAZ: Nine and a half.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Yeah. Well 9½ reduction other than the PALS Program, and I believe there's 8 positions being requested. So I have a net reduction through the Attrition Program of 1½ positions. And I have no problem with you guys doing this, I just have a hard time supporting it without seeing reductions somewhere else. And I, you know, I thought your attrition focus was a very good one and I think it's achievable, but we're not there. So the departments that you're helping, can you share with us those departments that are having challenges with managing their CIP now?

MR. REGAN: Well I think I...thank you. Chair, if I may?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. REGAN: Thank you, Member White. I think I kind of mentioned a little bit earlier the Fire Department is one of those departments who we've helped out on numerous projects. We do have this current project which is active out in Lahaina right now. They are, they do have, you know, other projects that are more than likely going to be coming up, and unfortunately they just do not have the internal staff with the expertise to be able to do these types of projects.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: So --

MR. REGAN: And so...I'm sorry.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: --in that case we haven't hired a company like we have with the Police Department to provide construction management?

MR. REGAN: So, yeah, so Lahaina, the project in Lahaina is being handled by Baron, by our staff.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay.

MR. REGAN: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: So internal as opposed to...

MR. REGAN: Correct.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. And you're not, you won't be doing projects for Water and I guess Wastewater and Public Works because they have their own...

MR. REGAN: You know if they have small projects that they need our help with then of course we would lend our services to them, but that's really not, I guess, I want to say the client. You know, those really weren't our focus because they have the staff, you know, they have the engineers, they have the project managers. But however, if they wanted our assistance on let's

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say a smaller project to alleviate some of their workload then of course we could help them. It's not out of the question.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair, if I may add, too. Just the assistance from our CIP Coordinator sitting here in my work and preparing the Capital Program was invaluable, and the more staff and assistance that she has to be able to look at the County overall wide things, including Public Works and Water and, you know, all the rest of those projects that have their type of engineers is invaluable assistance when it comes to presenting a good product for you.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Yeah. I, as I said, I don't really have a problem with the concept, and if we're stepping up the number of projects that we're doing, I think it makes sense to have, you know, have good coordination and provide assistance where necessary. I just have a problem with us asking for an expansion position without coming up with some reductions elsewhere, so. I'm done, Chair.

MR. REGAN: Oh, Chair, if I can? Just briefly.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure, Mr. Regan.

MR. REGAN: You know I think Baron has proven to us with this Lahaina Fire Station project that he's working on that we can do it in house. You know we don't have to go outside, you know, and enlist the services of a contractor to be able to provide construction management services to the County. And the more of these projects that we do, the more experience that we get, the better that we get at it, and the more monies that will be saved for the taxpayers really over time. So I think that with Baron's, you know, work that he's done so far we've saved the County, you know, money on construction management. So I can see it kind of growing if it's allowed to in terms of the savings.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Yeah, I don't have a question of that, but I'd like to save that money and also make more use of our employee costs. Because, you know, they're continuing to grow. Our employment costs are growing at 6½ percent per year. We have unfunded liabilities which you guys are well aware of, and that's, you know, that's just growing in leaps and bounds, and we have responsibilities there that, you know, we have a responsibility to every single County employee to provide for their retirement in both wages, you know, through ERS and healthcare. And that's why I just feel very concerned about those costs, and I'm just having a real tough time accepting increases there unless we've exhausted every single other opportunity. And I'm just, I'm not sure that we have. So anyway, that's it.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you. Mr. Regan, in another discussion Administration talked about the creation of a team. The team concept of pulling together from different departments key individuals who would work on CIP projects specifically. Is your request now a supplement to that or is this what ends up being a hybrid of that original request?

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MR. REGAN: Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Regan?

MR. REGAN: It, and that's kind of how we got Baron from the Parks Department was we were looking at who was out there, you know, and available to us to be able to come into our Department, because it's hard to say okay, Wendy, you know, you're from the Water Department and we need you, 10 percent of your time, you know, to come. Because she's working on other things and she's focused on other things, and so it was a great concept. In concept it was good, right, to be able to pull these expertise into one place. What we found was that it was difficult to get the departments to provide those individuals, and so like you, as you mentioned it is kind of a hybrid concept that we've kind of developed. And we did look at other departments to see what resources were available to us, and this particular position in Parks popped up as one that we could utilize. And then we just recognized that it was something that had long-term benefits, you know, and that's why we're asking for it to be transferred.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Okay. So when you transferred, when that position from Parks get transferred to your Department, because the position already existed, because there was an allocation running with the job title, does the funds come along with the individual from the Parks Department into Management?

MR. REGAN: Do you mean in our proposal or do you mean currently?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: In the scheme of things in recognizing compensation for positions.

MR. REGAN: It's, well as it stands now, this individual's on special assignment, you know, to our Department working on a special project assignment. So but it's basically a wash, it's, you know, kind of a one for one wash, so we're just shifting that E/P, in the Budget Proposal shifting the E/P and the funding over from Parks to Management.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Okay. And there's no other individual in another department that we could do the same thing with instead of now creating another position or an expansion of?

MR. REGAN: You know I asked Wendy to kind of take a look at that because she's heavily involved in CIP with all the departments, and unfortunately, you know, we weren't able to identify an individual who had the additional capacity, you know, that wasn't busy as they should be, you know, to be able to come over and work with us. So --

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Okay.

MR. REGAN: --we did try that, Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. That was interesting discussion in regards to the request. Wendy, let me ask you this question. The CE IV, you know, you talked about hiring somebody with 8 to 10 years experience, then I would tend to look at this as someone from within that know the County system. Is that what I'm hearing?

MS. TAOMOTO: I'm not sure if there's any existing Civil Engineers IVs that are interested in a position, moving up in...switching departments. But, you know, we're going to put it out and it's going to be open, so both internal and outside consultants can apply. I believe including the mainland.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: See one thing I, that bothers me, bothers me a lot is that when you have a person like say Civil Engineer III, I don't know the capabilities between III and IV, and the opportunity for us to train the III to become a IV in future years. Then, you know, why not take a look at something like that where, you know, internally we provide those trainings so that it become just as efficient as a CE IV. Too many times we pass up employees within departments that have years of experience, can do the job, but they just don't have one criteria. And what is the possibility of providing that one employee the means in achieving that one criteria that's missing?

MS. TAOMOTO: If I understand, your concern is that you would like us to consider it being a CE III so that I can train this person to become a CE IV?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Well you can say that or I don't know if there's some kind requirements for this CE IV where you can hire a CE III.

MS. TAOMOTO: I think what you're saying could work, but those CE IIIs that are existing in the County are getting trained in that department, and I believe there's only Department of Water Supply, Department of Environmental Management I don't think has a CE III but I'm not sure, they might have one, and Department of Public Works might have maybe one. So there's not a lot of CE IIIs. A lot of what we've been trying to hire even when I was at Department of Water Supply was the CE IV level. And I came in as a CE IV, got my license, and then came to government to offer my experience. I...for what we need in Department of Management because we're handling a lot of complex projects, I felt that the CE IV is what I need to help me so that I can provide a greater level of attention to the overall CIP coordination versus the project management level that I need to pay attention to right now because there's a deficiency, you know, in Fire and other departments. So because I kind of sense that this is what, in order for me to back out of those job duties, I guess, I'm assigned, I felt that, you know, that's the level that I need to kind of not spend too much time babysitting in other words.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Right.

MS. TAOMOTO: It's just that we don't have simple projects in Management, we have a lot of the more complex projects. That's all I...if we had really simple projects, you know, I wouldn't feel as

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uncomfortable going with a CE III, but I really wanted to kind of get the higher level and see what we have out there and who's interested within the County and outside. And if it doesn't work then I would consider going back down, you know what I mean? Or if the pay is...

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah, I think --

MS. TAOMOTO: Yeah.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: --I know where you're coming from. But what I'm just trying to say is that, you know, within the County we do have a lot of experience, but they may not have the criteria to be a CE IV at this time. And all I'm saying is that if we provided or if that individual, you know, better himself in regards to the things that are missing to become a CE IV, that eventually that person will become a CE IV. That's all I'm saying. And what I'm looking at is somebody hitting the ground, hitting the road, off he go, do the work, and the only type of person that we can look for probably is within this County. But if you want to train somebody from the outside, that it's going to take some time. Okay. Thank you. Any more questions? Mr. Hokama, followed by Ms. Cochran.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I understand what you guys are trying to do, so, you know, what I would want to know is, is this to replace two things that, you know, we already have? One is in the Code and one is in the Charter, yeah. The Charter already tasks the Planning Department that he or she shall review all the CIP and provide the Mayor with a priority list of projects, and it's supposed to be because of his understanding of the General Plan and how the implementation of community plans and projects of prioritization within each region. And that is already tasked, it's a requirement of the Planning Director. And one of the things we assisted the Council in the past was creating a central coordinating committee in the Code that uses the Public Works Director, Water Director, Planning Director to help do some of this coordination of CIP projects. So is this concept to eventually supplant the central coordinating committee as well as since we're still in Policy with ability to propose amendments that you're asking us then to change the Charter by relieving the Planning Director of his current responsibility?

MR. REGAN: Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Department?

MR. REGAN: Yeah, I don't think that we were trying to circumvent or...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, I'm not saying circumvent.

MR. REGAN: Oh.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: If the plan is, you know, if it gets implemented, then, you know, what shall be the role of the Planning Director since, you know --

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MR. REGAN: I understand.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --part of what you're trying to do is to do the CIP coordination. Why not that, you know, the Charter says should be part of the Planning Director's responsibility. And the Code says we have this committee that of various department heads which is like the team concept and is...so are we, the plan is then we're going to adjust and amend the Code, either delete or revise the central coordinating committee. And if this works very well would you want us to then recommend an amendment to the Charter to adjust the requirements and duties of the Planning Director so that everything's in sync and what we are trying to accomplish with this proposal can be done without additional legal impacts, whether we're violating Code or we're violating Charter? So if this moves forward there may other things that we may be required to do to adjust it so that everything is within parameters of governance.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair, if I might?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. BAZ: The discussion that we've had, you know, regarding this and, you know, the other items are basically an enhancement of what is in existence. The Planning Director's role in reviewing the annual Budget Proposal is really to, yeah, like you mentioned, you know, look at it from the planning perspective of, you know, what is it toward that long-range plan, right. Those are Maui Island Plan and all that kind of items. And, you know, with the development of the new plan, the Planning Department and my office, you know, we're starting to work together on forecasting and looking at, okay, what are the needs in the future and putting those pieces together. And so that role I think is okay in existence, and to this, what we're discussing this may not impact that, other than enhancing it. The other role that you mentioned of the central coordinating committee kind of idea, the Managing Director calls the directors together on a regular basis. If there's a project, whether it be a County project or an external project that they all relate to, and they sit down and discuss, you know, about a certain project and all of that. But to task those directors with then, you know, managing a project, I think is cumbersome on their part, and they don't necessarily have the time to allocate towards some of these large projects that we're moving forward on. Their input is still very valuable, and their support when it comes to a project in development of, you know, reviewing it ahead of schedule and planning, you know, what the pieces are gonna fit, how are they going to be coordinating water, wastewater, roads, you know, all that, are major impacts. It also helps when we do go and work on the Environmental Assessment and apply for permits, the more knowledge they have of those projects helps the flow of it. But these positions that we're asking for now are really to enhance that and in more detailed. You know we do have a lot of projects that we want to move forward with on a timely basis to make sure that we're doing it efficiently.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So you're see this as more as part of the implementation team from the Charter requirements and the committee's role in the CIP process?

MR. BAZ: Yeah.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: These guys are actually the...

MR. BAZ: These are \_\_\_\_\_, you know, these are the ones that are actually...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: They're the operational guys that get the job done. Correct, yeah.

MR. REGAN: There you go, that's right. Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And that's what, you know, I mean I'm just trying to get it clear in my brain, you know, what each role is so that we can understand how this fits in our existing structure. So thank you very much, gentlemen and Ms. Taomoto.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you, Chair. Department, I'm looking at the Capital Budget summary, and the top four, our biggest CIP projects fall into Public Works, Environmental Management, Water, and Parks and Rec. So and there was the final 13.2 percent which is broken down into, Management is in there, yourselves, along with Office of the Mayor, Public Safety Radio System, and this. So I'm just trying to wrap my head around exactly...you keep saying complex projects, but I haven't heard exactly what this complex project is. And as I'm looking at these pie charts in our CIPs, the complex projects actually fall into these departments that already have their CIP Coordinators. Like you stated, Mr. Regan, that they sort of have specialized people within. So I'm still trying to figure out, and I'm hearing it with your discussion with Mr. Hokama. You know I know there's the Waikapu Campus you got. So if I can just get a little bit more elaboration if this position is dealing with this last 13.2 percent of the CIP projects, is that really what it's, this person is there for?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Department?

MR. REGAN: Thank you, Chair. You mentioned a couple of projects, the campus redesign. We have the demolition of the Old Wailuku Post Office that's coming up. We have various Housing and Human Concerns projects that are on the books, Kulamalu as an example. You know there are definitely projects that are out there, you know, that are going to require a certain level of expertise. The Emergency Management Center as an example which is not, I don't believe it's in this particular Budget, but, you know, it will be something that we're going to have to take a look at down the road. Because it's something that is critical and complex. Where does that fall into? Who's going to handle that? Who's going to be the department that's going to help with that? And I believe we will be the ones tasked with that, because it is, that is a great example of a project that crosses multiple departments. And so as the Department of Management I see that as being one of our responsibilities is to assist with projects like that, as well as to assist departments who do not necessarily have the expertise in house to be able to handle projects, like as I said Kulamalu or other affordable housing projects that may be pushed forward by the department.

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. Yeah, I really appreciate the, you know, the idea and what is this, this is meant to be. So we need to get some CIPs moving, and if this is what it's going to take then by all means, you know. So thank you for the explanations. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. And what I just note is that, you know, sometimes we think about only next year but sometimes we forget there's five years after that, and then when you look at the total, what's coming up the future, that you gotta prepare yourself for that future. And that's what I see in some of this pie charts. So good question though. Ms. Baisa, followed by Mr. Couch.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Thank you very much, Mr. Chair. Mr. Chair, I just wanted to follow up a little bit and not spend a whole lot of time, you know, beating it to death, but on your question to Ms. Taomoto about training and career development. You know now that I've been here a while, I'm aware that I really think that's a serious need that we have here. We hire people but in order to have them stay with us and progress, we just really don't have a very good program for career development. And my question to Ms. Taomoto was, Wendy, what is the difference between the capabilities of a CE IV and a CE III? Just briefly. I mean what can one do that the other one can't do? And how long would it take to get 'em there?

MS. TAOMOTO: The Civil Engineer III is just the class, job classification for an engineer who doesn't have a license.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Okay.

MS. TAOMOTO: I know that like when I came from Department of Water that we were very supportive of any Civil Engineer III who got licensure that we would reallocate that position in an upcoming budget or within that current budget if the means allowed to promote them to a Civil Engineer IV. And I know that other departments have provide, supported that policy to once you get your license, a Civil Engineer III gets their license for a professional engineering license, that they would make a request to the appropriate bodies for the reallocation to a Civil Engineer IV. So the, and the difference that the Civil Engineer and the Civil Engineer IV have, at some point they're exactly the same, because once they move from CE III one day to CE IV, we have a lot, we have some Civil Engineer IIIs that have a lot of experience, but for whatever reasons they either don't want to take the test or they tried to take the test and and they, they're just not, you know, haven't passed that test. So you cannot just put all the Civil Engineer IIIs that we have and say they all have relatively the same experience, because I know there's a lot of really experienced Civil Engineer IIIs that just don't take the test, they don't need to, they don't want to. And they perform 100 percent and above in their job, and they, you know, they provide a valuable service to us. The reason that I'm not going out for the Civil Engineer III is because I really need to, I feel I just need that level of Civil Engineer IV for the types of projects that they're asking me to oversee.

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COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Even though you just said that essentially one has a license, one doesn't and they do the same thing. I don't know want to, you know, this is not a debate. What I'm trying to understand is the difference in the classifications, and make a pitch that we start seriously looking at career development. I think that this will provide a lot of morale and a lot of incentive to our employees to do better. And I see people leaving us because of being, the door being closed. We've got to figure out how to keep them, and if we can figure it out...I know we're under the gun, I know we don't have time, probably don't have time to train somebody right now, but long term I agree with the Chair, I'd really like to see us do a better job of career development. That's all.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Amen to that.

MS. TAOMOTO: Chair? I wanted to just clarify one more thing --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure.

MS. TAOMOTO: --about the III. The, you...the qualifications. So in order to meet the minimum qualifications for, between a III and a IV, the difference is the license. And the, no matter how many years of service you have as a Civil Engineer IV under a licensed engineer, you cannot be classified in our system as a Civil Engineer IV unless you pass the State license.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Do we make any effort to help them do that?

MS. TAOMOTO: They get, they're trained every day by a Civil Engineer IV to get that four years of experience, yes.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: So we help them prepare for the licensing exam?

MS. TAOMOTO: Yes. Well we don't sit down with them as employees and go over the test with them, but we do provide our books and stuff and any information.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: I'm just going to stop it right here.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yeah, yeah. I think we know where we're going.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah, thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: We both understand each other. My thing is this is not in your Department, this is in a lot of our departments. We need to do career development.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah, thank you. And amen to that, because not only the Management, you know, what you just trying to achieve here, but as we discuss with different departments, same thing, same thing, there's no career path. Mr. Couch?

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. And, Mr. Regan, you know, I don't see it anywhere in here and I don't expect to, but just a thought. If, I don't know if you were listening to our deliberations in the Policy Committee about the sustainability Charter Amendment issue. We, out of, we voted out of Committee to ask them to delete that from the Charter. So if that happens or if it fails, the Charter Amendment, are you guys prepared to pick up the functionality for that? Would you be prepared to do that?

MR. REGAN: Are you asking me if...Chair, if I may? Are you asking would our Department be able to absorb that type of function or? I guess I'm trying to understand.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Right, correct.

MR. REGAN: I'm trying to clarify what you're asking.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: That's kind of the discussion that was happening during our Policy meeting is that it's best under the Management Office, because it reaches so many departments. And right now you have I think one person...

MR. REGAN: We have an Energy Coordinator, yeah, Kal Kobayashi.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, the Mayor's Office has the, has kind of an environmental...

MR. REGAN: Has an appointed. Yeah, right.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah.

MR. REGAN: And so I guess the short answer is if this body felt that in order to continue this push for sustainability and to have it at the level where, you know, it could reach out amongst other departments, then the answer is yes. I mean we would be willing to take on those responsibilities. All I would ask for would be...

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

MR. REGAN: Yeah, well the staffing and the funding so that we could do the job. You know whatever were the expectations placed upon us by this body so that we could be able to provide those functions, that's all I would ask. But the answer is, the short answer is yes, we would be willing to take that on.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. That was healthy discussion. So we go into Operations. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Nothing.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Maybe just a quick comment, please, Director Regan. I appreciate you're reducing other costs quite a bit, so can you tell me a little bit more detail of your savings besides miscellaneous costs regarding transfer of equipment? I mean I'm trying to understand that too, because the MIS side is growing, so maybe if you can give us some comment, please, Director.

MR. REGAN: Thank you. Chair, if I may?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. REGAN: I think, Member Hokama, you're referring to specifically the Management Program, is that correct? Just so that I understand.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, that's correct.

MR. REGAN: Okay. So the, what I think you're referring to, the miscellaneous costs, the decrease in miscellaneous costs was more or less a, putting it in the right place, if you want to call it. Moving it from miscellaneous costs to a more appropriate I guess titled area which would be machinery and equipment, so that it reflects better what the use is, I mean what the use is for. It was still being utilized for security equipment under miscellaneous costs; however, we felt that it would be better to treat it as or move it under machinery and equipment. Because that is actually what we're using it for, to buy security equipment, the DVRs for the, or the digital video recorders for the video systems and other things like that, cameras, access points.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So you're just trying to from an accounting side and put it in the more appropriate subaccount --

MR. REGAN: Yes.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --to accurately reflect the use of the funds?

MR. REGAN: Yes, sir.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Director.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you, Chair. In the other costs line item of 176,000, how much has been spent or what do you expect to have spent on that line this year?

MR. REGAN: Chair. I'm sorry, could you...where are you referring to, Member White? I apologize.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Under Operations on the line item other costs. The adopted 2012 Budget amount was 176 and then you're showing a reduction to 61. The reason I'm asking is that the previous year, well, in 2010 it was 31,000, 2011 it was 50, and then it jumped up to 176, so that tells me that there was, I recall there was something that you guys were buying last year. And I'm just wondering if that actually took place and whether this...

MR. REGAN: So year to date, Member White, we've spent \$137,000 out of that account specifically for security --

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay.

MR. REGAN: --type purchases, so the new DVRs. We, what we found is that and what we were told was that the equipment that we had was now outdated, and so they no longer provided replacements --

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Right.

MR. REGAN: --you know, for these pieces of equipment. And so and all this stuff is really expensive, I mean it's not, you know...

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No, no. I appreciate that. You don't need to explain anymore. I knew there was something that we had budgeted for that was out of the ordinary last year.

MR. REGAN: Yes, sir.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: So what you're saying is we're just going to have to continue to move in that direction?

MR. REGAN: Yes, sir.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay.

MR. REGAN: Unfortunately, yes.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: That's fine. Thank you, Chair.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Chairman, no questions in B.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. Let's see. Machinery and Equipment. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: I think we're talking about the same security equipment on this one here.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yeah, no problem.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: None.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. Goals and Objectives. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, I'm of course pleased with the objectives that relate to employee development. I'm okay.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, but just I'm glad for the discussion between Mr. Couch and Director in regards to the item that is going through the Charter Commission in regards to sustainability and protection of environmental and cultural concerns and what have you. And it's refreshing to hear you say yes, granted that, you know, there's funding for that particular position to, you know, to spearhead that charge, because...and so I, you know, we pay attention

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to renewable energy and energy efficiency which is excellent and we need to. But I think that there's another part that was in that discussion that needs to be addressed also, and I think it is a proper fit in your Department where you outreach to every other department within our house. So I would like to dialogue more and see how we can make that happen. So thank you. And it, put it into the goals. Thank you.

MR. REGAN: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you. Mr. Regan, the goals all look pretty good compared to some of the other departments, and just good goals in general. One of the ones just to speak for possibly your staff is biweekly reports received and reviewed. That's a lot of paperwork.

MR. REGAN: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Just a thought, maybe monthly?

MR. REGAN: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: I'm just speaking for your staff maybe.

MR. REGAN: Chair, can I --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. REGAN: --just make one quick comment? You know I just have to share with you that these biweekly reports, we spend a lot of time looking them over. Department heads spend time submitting them to us. What it does is it forces them to really understand their programs and their departments and what's going on there, and it also forces them to share that information with us. So it actually has become a very useful tool for us. In particular we, now with these performance measurements we've expanded the template for that particular report to include performance measurement so that they're forced to, you know, on a biweekly basis provide that update to us. That's a good way for us to track it. Yeah, it may seem kind of cumbersome, but, you know, most of the departments have staff that can assist them, you know, in preparing that report. But we found it to be a very, very useful tool for us. In addition to that, you know, we review those reports with the directors on a monthly basis, we have a one on one meeting with the directors, and so that biweekly report actually serves another purpose which is to allow us to have meaningful dialogue on issues and concerns that are happening within their department. So I appreciate your comment and it's duly noted. Thank you, Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Hokama?

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Chairman, I know under Mr. Regan's directorship he does have that Energy Specialist who, you know, in my opinion through the years has more than performed way beyond the resources that he, you know, it takes to provide for this position. I was just hoping, Mr. Regan, you could me, you know, again because my understanding is the IRP is gonna get re-kicked, restarted again, and the goal again with the efforts with Mr. McLeod, I find the County to be in a very strong position now. And I'm just wondering where the resources would be for the participation of your specialist regarding travel and other requirements so he, they can, he and Mr. McLeod can present the best position possible on the County's behalf of our citizenry. I'm trying to find it. Where are the resources that will provide him, you know, the ability to perform in your budget, so if you could help me, direct me since I'm not sure where it is.

MR. REGAN: Sure. Chair, if I may?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. REGAN: The particular, the position that you're referring is an important position and has been providing extremely beneficial services to the County and the taxpayers. We, actually we allow him to travel and to attend these meetings, and those monies are coming out of our A Account within Administration, so. He's in our program, he's in our Administrative Program, so.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, but you know what, let's say, you know, he, you know, discusses with you and the Mayor and with Mr. McLeod that the County needs to intervene let's say --

MR. REGAN: Sure.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --in a docket before the PUC and whatnot, and you know, this preparation of documents and all that. Is there some...I was hoping that, you know, at least you would put a component in the B Account, something so, you know, we can understand it and not come out of the salaries, the A Account. And again I just think it's more clear and that, you know, for people like us, you know, we want to make sure that the County can respond on all our behalf. And so again, you know, Director, while I appreciate you're willing to, you know, take it from the salary site, I would ask if to help us understand and we can, you know, give the appropriate support again, that maybe you would consider something in the B Account so that it can be highlighted and we know this is what it takes for the County to participate in this important Integrated Resource Planning under electricity and alternative energy. Because again, besides the normal type of issues decided with the renewable and non-renewable, the impacts on Molokai and Lanai and the great community debates regarding solar and wind projects. And, you know, again I was just looking how I can support the County's role through the specialist and the, Mr. McLeod's position to ensure that there's the resources for us to participate actively and aggressively if need be at the PUC level, at the legislative level appropriately or within their own discussions with the utilities directly.

MR. REGAN: Yeah, thank you. I misspoke. I said A Account but I meant B Account. I apologize.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

MR. REGAN: But I completely agree with you that, you know, we should have an individual item or a line item that is specifically for that responsibility. In fact if we go back, you know, to Fiscal Year 2009 I believe it is, that's when we had an actual energy program --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Right, right.

MR. REGAN: --and, you know, it was from that program that we had the funding for, you know, different things. I mean there wasn't a lot of money, you know, available to that, to Kal. Like if I may just refer to him as Kal, our Energy Coordinator.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: We all know him.

MR. REGAN: We all know him, yeah. He's definitely someone that's provided excellent service to this County. And but I think at some point and I apologize because I wasn't here during that time, but that program was absorbed--I want to call it--into the, essentially the Management Program within the Department of Management. So it's in there --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

MR. REGAN: --in the B Account. It's not identified as a specific line item.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

MR. REGAN: It may be under miscellaneous costs perhaps, but I will share with you that if Kal needs to go and he needs to have the funding to be able to do these types of things, especially to take action that's going to help our taxpayers and our residents of this community, we will fund that, I can assure you. And if we need additional monies because it's beyond our budget, we'll come to this body and we'll ask for your support, you know, for that, sir.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: I appreciate that, Director. And again, you know, 'cause I'm trying to match up 'cause, you know, one of your performance is Goal No. 5 --

MR. REGAN: Yes.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --where you're highlighting a specific thing that the Energy Specialist will help to achieve the performance levels that, you know, you would like for your Department. And so, you know, again, I just share that comment 'cause I would like to be as supportive as possible --

MR. REGAN: Thank you.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --because there is great debate in our communities at this time. Thank you.

MR. REGAN: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Yeah, thank you, Chair. And taking off on part of Mr. Hokama's comments. We've had some discussions down here regarding the proposed Charter Amendment to establish or to expand our Environmental Management scope of responsibility, and several of us feel that that responsibility is better housed in your hands, your Department because you are responsible for the various departments that already have the responsibility for either watersheds or dealing with water, dealing with various environmental issues including the energy types of thing, you know, energy efficiency and conservation types of efforts. Do you see that as one of your goals moving forward? And how would you pull the responsibilities of all the various departments together differently if you don't see it being housed in your Department of Management?

MR. REGAN: Chair, if I may?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. REGAN: I have to apologize because to be honest this is the, I was not prepared to talk about this particular subject matter. I have to say that, you know, our Mayor is supportive of what's moving forward in the Charter Commission right now. So but if that does not happen I think that he would also be supportive of the creation of, let's just call it, an office of sustainability within the Department of Management. I think that's kind of what you are referring to? If I...am I missing...

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No, not so much. Because there was I guess the Charter Amendment is looking at forming that office.

MR. REGAN: Under Environmental Management, yes.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Under Environmental Management.

MR. REGAN: Correct.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: My concern is that rather than placing it in one department, the responsibilities are so broad that we're better off having the various departments that are currently involved in it keep those responsibilities, and the control would remain with you as not necessarily a whole new department.

MR. REGAN: To provide direction, is that --

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COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Right.

MR. REGAN: --what you're saying?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Right. Because then we have the authority of the Mayor's Office and Management as opposed to one department trying to get another department to do something. So anyway, you don't need to discuss it if you're not prepared to.

MR. REGAN: I apologize.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No, not a problem.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Mr. Regan, I have interest in two of your goals and measures. The first one is No. 2 on Item No. 3 involving random onsite visits at County operating facilities and operation locations, and the measure would be a percentage of County facilities and job sites assessed. Can you tell me what's included --

MR. REGAN: Sure.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: --in the assessment part of this requirement?

MR. REGAN: Yeah, absolutely. Chair, if I may?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. REGAN: We're already doing that actually. We are going onsite and we're, basically we have a list of criteria that we're looking at. Specifically, you know, the operationally, you know, does it appear to be in order? As an example, let me just walk you through an assessment that we did recently at the Parks Department. Myself and my staff we went to the War Memorial Stadium where we were looking at things like equipment. We were looking at, you know, the benches. We were looking at the facility itself. Is it in order? Is it clean? You know, how does the field itself look, is it being maintained? You know how...were we approached by staff, if we were approached by staff, what was the experience like? You know because often, I mean let's just be honest, I mean if I walk around, people generally don't know who I am. So, you know, I mean just, you know, the average, right, I mean average employees, they don't know.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah, they do.

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MR. REGAN: Well I appreciate that, Chair. But, you know, I mean 'cause when we talk about our facilities, like the first thing in my mind is was I challenged? In order words, did somebody come up to me and say good afternoon or, you know, good morning, how can I help you, you know? What was the experience like? And so those are things that we're looking at in these assessments.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Okay. No, great. And because you mentioned that part of the assessment is the actual structure --

MR. REGAN: Correct.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: --itself. So my interest is when you do assess the Molokai facility that was built in mid-1970s, according to a report by the Police Department who was looking at moving in, there's asbestos and led paint involved there. So part of the assessment I'd like you to be sure that that is addressed. The other goal is No. 5, and to continue off where Mr. Hokama took the discussion on the performance of your specialist, we have two technically, one in your office who is an Energy Specialist and one in OED that is a Energy Commissioner. Which is the lead person?

MR. REGAN: Well I would...I appreciate that question. Chair, if I may?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. REGAN: Okay, thank you. They're actually working in concert together. If I had to say who was the lead, I would have to say that the individual with the most knowledge and experience would be Kal. I mean he's the one that's actually helping Doug, especially with some of these issues and challenges that we have dealing with County departments. You know they've been working very, very well together, and so, you know, I'm sure that if Kal were here today he would...I don't want to speak for him, but I can share with you that what he's told me is that he has an excellent working relationship with the Energy Commissioner from the Mayor's Office. You know the Energy Commissioner is kind of taking the Mayor's vision and translating that into different projects, and Kal, you know, is right there helping that Energy Commissioner down the path. And so if I had to pick one of the two in terms of taking the lead, I would say that it's probably Kal, but I would also say that they work very well hand in hand together. And they're doing some really amazing things with this County in terms of the solar projects that we have going on. They're working with the various other different departments to find ways to reduce energy. So it's a really good working relationship, Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Well the reason I ask is because in a prior discussion when it came, the similar question came up, what is the difference between Mr. Kobayashi versus Mr. McLeod? And we were told that Mr. Kobayashi primarily deals with in County facilities versus Mr. McLeod who deals with general, you know, I guess overview of County's energy needs, directions, et cetera. So for me it's still not clear, and I think it important for us to do recognize a lead individual so we know who to, you know, refer to.

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MR. REGAN: Sure.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: So I just share my comments on it. Thank you.

MR. REGAN: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. You should become like the undercover boss, Keith.

MR. REGAN: Yeah.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: But anyway I thought everybody needed a good laugh, yeah. You know your Goal No. 4 --

MR. REGAN: Yes, sir.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: --oversight of workplace safety. You know we talk a lot about Workman Compensation, you know, injuries, accidents, and I like what you have here, the No. 1 and No. 2. You know I think No. 1 and No. 2 should be shared with all of your department heads, and then right down the line so that, you know, if safety is a big concern or a priority of yours then all the departments should roll in into your objective in regards to the safety area. But I thought I'd just pass that on to you.

MR. REGAN: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: I like that. And then also with the training, yeah, all employees will receive at least one training per year. That's something that also need to be rolled in with everybody else. So very good.

MR. REGAN: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. We go to the next.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Mr. Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: One real quick one.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Mr. Regan, I don't, what I don't see in the Goals and Objectives is anything about the fleet management. How's that coming? And we discussed a little bit of about it with Highways Department because they're buying some software that handles

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maintenance management, but usually these pieces of software have different modules. And I wouldn't want the County to have two different pieces of software, they don't talk to each other, that do similar functions. So are you working with Public Works Division of Highways to make sure that you guys are going to be on the same page?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Regan?

MR. REGAN: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Member Couch. The short answer is yes. We want to make sure that we're not buying something here and then we're going to have to buy something else, you know, over there and hopefully build a fix to make them talk to each other. So, yeah, so we're well aware of that and we're taking that into consideration.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Okay, Members, we go to Management Information System Program. Page 6-209, the Salaries and Wages. Mr. Mateo, if you have any questions?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Not...well, actually yes. Wages and Salaries, actually that is just reflective of that transfer of the five additional individuals, right? The, what I'm interested in is the Premium Pay, the additional 40,000, because I, you know, like somehow dumb me, I think that if more bodies are available to do work, efficiency levels would increase and the need for Premium Pay would decrease. So can you kind of like share with us the need for the additional 40,000?

MR. REGAN: Chair, if I may?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. REGAN: Would you mind, Chairman Mateo, if I allowed our CTO to answer that?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Oh, no, not at all.

MR. REGAN: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. VERKERKE: Good evening, Chair and Members of the Committee. On the face of it I think your question is very appropriate. We have, however, to consider two items. First of all is a lot of maintenance in the IT field cannot be done during regular working hours, because it would interfere with the operations of the rest of the County. Secondly with the transfer of the MPD IT staff, it transfers the responsibility to provide actual 24/7 support to the critical mission of the Police Department, so there is a fair component in that Premium Pay for standby pay for staff to be available on a moment's notice to help out with critical needs in the dispatch center or for

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officers during off hours. 'Cause clearly that's a 24/7 operation. As an IT group, strictly MIS, we did not have that responsibility so far.

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you, Chair. Of the 370,000 increase in Wages and Salaries, how much of that is attributed to the transfer from Police? I can't tell from the breakdown.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Verkerke or Mr. Regan?

MR. VERKERKE: If you give me a minute to find the right pages. The five positions that will transfer from the Police Department is about \$335,000.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. So 35, roughly 35 is for --

MR. VERKERKE: There's scheduled --

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: --increases.

MR. VERKERKE: --reallocations, and this is in line with what Member Baisa was talking about, staff development. We have an active program to promote from within, and usually that means...

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: At last.

MR. VERKERKE: I wasn't sure if you couldn't hear me or if you were encouraging me.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: At last. I'm proud of you.

MR. VERKERKE: So yeah and if I may go on that theme a little bit, you'll see that in our third objective that staff development is a very important element of what we're trying to do.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. That's all I have on A. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Chairman. And I appreciate Mr. Verkerke being here with Mr. Regan. But just one quick one, follow up with Mr. Mateo's, yeah, and with the Premium Pay. So because of the shifting of the Police IT to MIS now, have you thought about then adjusting the scheduling of the employees so you get better coverage but you reduce Premium Pay? Because if instead of saying you're an 8:00 to 5:00 employee, you will start from 12:00 and work 'til 9:00 p.m., and thereby the lack for need for overtime is different, would change

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again, because his starting time and ending time--or she--will still be a normal workday. Has that been part of the consideration, gentlemen?

MR. VERKERKE: It's part of the discussion that's going on. Perhaps you remember some of the comments we made when the Police Department was up here. The transfer of this staff from MPD into MIS is a very complex thing and not just because reorganization and an organizational adjustment is not easy to do, but because of the criticality of the Police Department's mission. So we're proceeding very cautiously and very deliberately. So for Budget purposes we were not ready to make a determination as to how best to organize the various work shifts. We wanted to make sure that we could do this transfer without impacting the operations of the Police Department. As we go on and as we get more comfortable with each other, if you will, then we will be able to reflect that perhaps in future Budgets if there is indeed an adjustment. 'Cause the similar pressure happens even with other operational departments. More and more departments start earlier or work later, so we're already anticipating at some point to have staggered start times for regular IT staff.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And, you know, I appreciate the details, gentlemen. So I'm trying to understand, if it's just because we're shifting and transferring certain things, why are we then looking at reallocation from an SR-24D all the way to an SR-24L and it just says due to transfer from Police Department to MIS, whereby now we gotta look at a 37 percent increase. In A Account I'm looking at ISA III to one ISA V which is an SR-20 to an SR-24 because it's a transfer and...you know, I mean if part of this shifting is going to just drive costs up also from A Account personnel, I had hoped that maybe then it was part of a cost analysis that would have been given to Council prior to the shifting, so we can evaluate some of this cost factors that for me I would rather have been told prior to the shift then in Budget after the shift was done, gentlemen. So if you can give me some comment, please.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Department?

MR. VERKERKE: Mr. Chair, the only thing I can do is offer my apologies, because the comments in this column are no longer, do no longer reflect what's really going on. These numbers and the Budget descriptions were submitted late last year. We have of course worked diligently on how to structure this reorganization, and the net of the cost is still accurate but some of the explanation is misleading. We are not shifting things around radically. The classification of the staff that comes over from MPD will remain the same.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. So then will we receive an adjusted Budget worksheet that accurately reflects your comment, Mr. Verkerke?

MR. VERKERKE: Yeah, we should be able to do that.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you would be appreciated, gentlemen.

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MR. VERKERKE: Yeah. So and again, the explanation and the details may change, but the bottom line is pretty much going to be what it is right now.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And is it the number of employees that...and again, you know, I think it's more appropriate for Mr. Regan 'cause this is about you, Mr. Verkerke. Is it because of the number of employees or anything that shifts it from an EM V to an EM VII consideration?

MR. REGAN: Thank you. Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. REGAN: Yeah. So it's more of a reflection of the responsibilities of the position as well as the additional staff. When you look at the way that this program has grown over the years, really the duties that Jacob has been doing is, are those of a chief technology officer. And really, you know, we need someone with those types of skills to be able to help lead us into new types of technology, new things that can help us be more effective and efficient. And so in looking at Jacob's position, this was something that actually started under the previous Administration. We took the recommendations that were provided to us and we reviewed it internally prior to moving forward with it, and, you know, based on our discussions with DPS as well as our internal discussions with staff, we felt that it was the proper thing to do. We, you know, this was something that had already gone through a process. So I apologize for not having more specific details on the EM V to EM VII reallocation, but based on the information that we were provided after coming into office, we felt that it was the proper movement to make, the proper reallocation to make, sir.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And no apologies necessary, you know, Director. You know again I would just ask that in the future if we can be, we can understand it prior to the actual shifting or transferring, then when it happens, you know, we understand why and it may eliminate some of the questioning during this process. Because we understand what went on, and we're already briefed to understand the potential changes of allocations, step movements, and some of the others, you know, questions that we may bring up this evening. So, you know, if you want to do it another way, just be fortunate like us, we get Mr. Couch next to me for our technology officer. Thank you, Chairman.

MR. REGAN: And, Chair, I just apologize.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Please, Director, it's not necessary, not necessary. Thank you very much, Director.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Almost I skip you again. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: I don't know anything about MIS so I'm...when I was in it it was called data processing, so. And I just wanted to warn Mr. Hokama that if you leave a bunch of IT guys together in a room at, on graveyard shift, you don't, gotta be careful. I used to work

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graveyard shift with a bunch of IT guys, it's not a pretty sight. I have no questions on this one. Thanks.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: You should have said no question and passed it on to Ms. Cochran. I like go home, you know. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, no questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Let's go into Operations. Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you, Chair. The things that jump out at me in Operations are \$380,000 for R&M relating to the transfer. Can you explain what that is?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Director or Mr. Verkerke?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: I assume that's repairs and maintenance but.

MR. VERKERKE: You're correct. There are extensive information systems at the Police Department, and the funding for the maintenance and upkeep both transfer from the Police Department to the IT program.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. So those are contracted systems maintenance?

MR. VERKERKE: That's correct. That's correct.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. Not repairs and maintenance of office areas to accommodate them? Okay.

MR. VERKERKE: No.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. And then we also have 10,000 and 75,000 in miscellaneous costs and computer software. I'm assuming those are expenses that would have been there if they had remained with the Police?

MR. VERKERKE: That's correct.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. And how about the, under Services under the expansion budget request there's a \$300,000...within the \$537,000 increase there's 300,000 to provide the Mayor with a requested assessment of IT services and capabilities. Can you give us some background as to what that's going to accomplish?

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MR. VERKERKE: Sure. In MIS over the last two to three years, we've been very busy transforming from a technology focus to a service focus, and you may have heard me talk about that before. We have implemented a number of new processes, the reorganization that Mr. Regan was talking about is part of that to make sure that our structure lines up with the appropriate best practices for that service delivery. It's time to take stock, and this is an especially opportune time because of the merger with IT staff from MPD. We need to make sure that we are well positioned to provide the IT services to the organization that should line up with the strategic plans of the organization, the various departments. And we also have a number of major initiatives coming up on our medium range horizon. I'm sure the real property tax system and similarly with the development management, the development monitoring system affectionately known as KIVA. They are reaching the end of their life. They're reliable but they're no longer providing the functionality that the organization is looking for. So we want to make sure that we are ready to implement that kind of system, because the newer technology in those areas expect a certain level of capability on data standards, data integration, the graphical aspect of the data, besides the tabular database information. And it'd be a shame to spend, you know, a considerable amount of money to bring these systems in and only to find out that as an organization we're not quite ready for that. So I think it's appropriate to look at are we ready, are there some tasks that we need to complete before we proceed with the investment that we're faced with, to make sure that the end result will reflect the expectations of the various departments and business units.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. So this is not just to evaluate our needs but also to focus on what types of software are available out there that would best suit our needs, and evaluate what kind of equipment upgrades we may need to accommodate the software?

MR. VERKERKE: It should lay the groundwork in the form of a minimum set of expectations and a minimum set of capabilities that we as an organization and specifically MIS Division needs to be able to provide to make sure that's a success. The actual requirements to specific expectations and capabilities of those software systems will need to be defined with the users in like the Real Property Tax Division or development management like DSA and stuff, but we want to make sure that we are positioned well to take the organization to that level of functionality.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, Chairman, I'll await until we hit the Equipment. Thank you. Or you want me to do Equipment now?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: No. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Chairman Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. We go to Equipment. Chairman Mateo, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Well since Mr. Hokama's all teed up for Equipment, I'll let him go.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And it works good with green tea. Gentlemen, thank you. You know I'm looking at Equipment and, you know, I really appreciate you guys trying to update and upgrade, because I think that's part of the efficiency component. You know if you give our people the good resources, productivity goes up, hopefully morale goes up, but also efficiency goes up. And so, gentlemen, I know you have, you know, what it is showing, that 700,000, and then I'm looking at the details on the lower portion. So, gentlemen, what do you believe we can accomplish with the 660,000 request that you're presenting to us, please?

MR. VERKERKE: Mr. Hokama, the 660,000 is the purchase of the equipment itself. Hidden in the R&M and the services are companion expenditures for the software that would run on that and for some assistance if we indeed going to replace 600-something computers all in one year.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So you're looking at about 600 computers, Mr. Verkerke? About, I mean...

MR. VERKERKE: Six hundred sixty, yeah.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Computers?

MR. VERKERKE: Yeah, desktop computers, 'cause you may remember from last year that we talked about, you know, how old is our equipment getting.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Right. Yes, yes.

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MR. VERKERKE: And so we're at the point that we have to do something.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Right.

MR. VERKERKE: Now part of the assessment we just talked about is also going to be evaluating if we are ready to move into the future, and the amount of money that I'm asking for here for desktop replacement is appropriate also to allow us to move into virtual desktop environment, not necessarily put, you know, full blown PCs on every desk. With the, you know, you have iPads in front of you. We know that's real world scenario. In the IT industry there's a lot of discussion about an approach called bring your own device. More and more do IT organizations need to prepare themselves for an environment where we perhaps no longer have control over what device the users want to use. Desktop virtualization will allow us to accommodate that. So part of the assessment is going to tell us if indeed that is the better direction for the County and get us on that path.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So the licensing and other components of computer program is, would be placed in another component, Mr. Verkerke? That would be in your R&M service contracts component?

MR. VERKERKE: Yeah. Under the expansion budget request under Services, there is I believe \$60,000 to catch up on delayed lifecycle upgrades, so that's professional services if indeed we need to go that route to help us with some, the transition to a virtual environment. And I'm reading up on it all the time, it's a challenge for an organization our size, so we'd like to have some help with that. There's also under R&M I believe, yeah, R&M Services, there's an amount there to pay for ongoing maintenance on hardware and software that we would buy whether it's virtual versions of hardware and software...well hardware will never be virtual but you get my drift.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, we...yes, go ahead, yes. And again, you know, thank you very much. I was looking and maybe you can direct me where. And of course one of the things that, you know, we've talked about maybe couple years ago, Mr. Verkerke, nonetheless is security, whether it be from an external or internal penetration issues. So do you have requests to address some of those potential, I guess the terminology would be hacking or, you know, being able to violate some of the protocols that we try to by firewalls to protect ourselves. But, you know, a lot of times a disgruntled employee on the internal side that has a password and has access, again, you know, I have no problem considering to support you with the monies to ensure that we minimize the potential of external and internal penetration of our support systems, particularly now that you're going to absorb the Police component. So maybe if you can share where we may be...you may be having that request placed within the budget proposal?

MR. VERKERKE: There's only a very small amount in the budget to reflect that security need. The reason is that in the current fiscal year we have done a very profound upgrade on our firewall and security equipment and capabilities. We also have over the years developed many of the skills necessary to do that kind of testing in house.

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VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Good.

MR. VERKERKE: So we have dedicated staff that monitors that. We have, it's no longer called firewall but a universal threat management equipment, so that we have much better visibility into what is happening right around us and who is trying to get into our environment. The only thing that is in this year's budget is an appropriation for access management, and that is directly related to criminal justice initiatives Statewide so that we can in a secure and reliable way create trusted relationships between criminal justice agencies in the State to exchange information and to allow individuals access to their information. So I believe we are improving our capabilities. I believe we are tightening up our environment. The equipment that we've installed is all FBI certified, and we operate under, as I mentioned before, FBI management agreements. So I appreciate your interest and I may take you up on that next year, but I think for now we're okay.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And again I just share that because if we are going to invest sizeable amount of monies to do these upgrades, then, you know, I want to make sure security and protection is part of that consideration, because I think it makes sense that we include that as part of the overall objectives of what we're trying to achieve, gentlemen.

MR. VERKERKE: That's one of the big selling points of going to a virtual environment, because it makes the security of the data, of the access much easier to manage than it is with, you know, the individual desktops and what have you. So --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

MR. VERKERKE: --it all fits.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Verkerke. I will ascend to the guru to my right.

MR. VERKERKE: Thank you for your endorsement, Mr. Couch.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you. And, yeah, I can vouch for the fact that virtual, going virtual is very difficult and you need some experts for that. Missing some hairs from doing that as we speak. And it is, but it is much more beneficial to the organization to do that because of the security issues. What I haven't seen is anybody...and you guys may have your, I mean I know IT has their own group of people and conventions that they go to, but I haven't seen anybody at the NACo one except for just this last time, Mr. Ching went with us last time and yet didn't go to the technology summit. I would encourage you--because, you know, government is a huge, is huge all over the country of course, but it's a huge subset of IT and a lot of the people in IT don't know a lot about how government works and whatnot--to send somebody to NACo and go to the technology summit and just talk with all the technology guys there, 'cause they're doing some interesting things that are even beyond virtual. Sometimes it appears to be a little

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scary, but other times they make a good point as far as security and stuff, and we can talk about it offline. But I would encourage you to put something in here, and maybe it should have gone into on the Operations side is to send more people to our NACo technology stuff. Because I've gone to a couple of them and...

MR. VERKERKE: Well I'm subscribed to as a member, you know, an included member of NACo, so I get all their bulletins, announcements. And we have made the call a number of years ago that money that we would have to spend on travel might be better spent on a subscription to a research seat with Gartner. So through them we have access to a wealth of information, a wealth of research papers, a wealth of consulting on all those areas, much more broadly representing the trends in the industry than we would find at any single or combination of conferences. And what we're doing is when we have IT initiatives, when we have maintenance contracts, when we have questions about technology developments, we can schedule a phone consultation with an expert within that organization. So we have the ability to talk to them one on one and dig a little deeper. So short of the benefits of some of the conferences that...and there's money in our budget to send staff to specific industry conferences, especially, you know, with the upcoming replacement for the real property tax and development management. There is money in the budget to send somebody to an industry specific conference for that. But we have found that we're much more flexible when we tap into a research and consulting firm like Gartner for that kind of opportunity to keep up with what's happening in the industry.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

MR. REGAN: Chair? Oh.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah. Order, go ahead.

MR. REGAN: No, Chair, I just wanted to add though that there's definite value to sending staff to the NACo conference, and, Member Couch, we'll take that under advisement for the next one coming up. And perhaps you may see Mr. Verkerke at one of those conferences. So thank you very much for that.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. And just following up real quick with the discussion. Under registration and training fees, you're looking at \$40,000, so I would think that perhaps that's for something of that nature that you folks were discussing which is good. But Mr. Hokama touched on the security questions that I had, and thank you, Mr. Verkerke, for explaining. And 'cause we've got to have comfort and security there definitely, so I have confidence in your job that you're doing. So thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Ms. Baisa?

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COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thank you, Chair. I bow to the techies in the room. I have the greatest respect for their work, and I trust that they'll make good decisions so that we have the best software and hardware and what we need in order to be efficient and up to date. So thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. We go into Goals and Objectives. Ms. Baisa, you got any questions?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: You sure?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Just maybe one on the evolution or providing the excellence of reliable IT infrastructure. And I like what Mr. Verkerke said because he's telling me he's trying to be efficient with the money he's provided regarding this, that entity that you look for to do some of the outside third party type assessments. But I will tell you though, Mr. Verkerke, if it's you or someone else and I know Mr. Medeiros may have attended some, the County is the member of NACo, it's not the Council, and so as the County member, you know, if there's benefit...and I can tell you there's the actual entities there. We have the premiere corporate members like I guess for Mr. Medeiros area is ESRI, E-S-R-I, we will have Oracle there, you will have IBM there, and they're key people there in the IT fields. And sometimes maybe having some of those personal networking opportunities and the ability to maybe as my guru here will say about how you even work on clouds which I have no concept of, but now that's part of the terminology, clouds. You know you may be even one step ahead of the cutting edge because of your ability to speak and understand this more cutting edge language that this people bring to the conferences that mister, you know, Couch, has been able to participate in an interactive type of face to face. Instead of a virtual communication it is still a face to face interpersonal relationship and communication that I still feel it has an important role in governance and government. So I just share that that is something that I find is hard to replace, the interpersonal networking, gentlemen, so I would ask you to consider making use of those opportunities if you feel it's worthwhile for the County. Thank you.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I think out of the list of goals and measures that we have in front of us, the one that really excites me and caught my eye immediately was No. 4 where you talk about cost sharing and partnerships. Because IT is very costly, and the transition we're going through right now especially comes with a pretty hefty price tag. So this is encouraging for us to know that as we progress, you know, there is opportunities to cost share through linkage with other entities. So thank you for making that, you know, one of your objectives. Thank you.

MR. REGAN: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Well that's it for you. Okay. Next area is the GIS, Geographic Information Systems Program.

MR. REGAN: Thank you, Chair. We'll be welcoming up our Administrator, Mr. Bill Medeiros to discuss the Geographic Information Systems Program this evening.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Mateo, you got any questions for Salaries and Wages?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: Chairman, it's flat. No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Gentlemen, I just want to know because part of this Committee's TIG group had recommended, where would the GIS person that would be assigned to Real Property Tax be?

MR. MEDEIROS: Yeah, are you talking about the proposed centralization of GIS?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: No, no. That's not what the TIG recommended that you folks consider. It is a dedicated GIS analyst, again, I don't know what classification would be, to assist Real Property in what we believe is important in our role of how to create confidence and to provide up-to-date information, so as we calculate our tax categories and whatnot, whether or not the property owner is actually accurate. And then the documentation and follow-up on a GIS plat is up to date, and that is things that we have recommended for funding, because, you know, this

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Committee basically believes that, you know, that is one area we want to beef up. And so I'm just looking for where would that type of positions be, because, you know, I want to see it happen in Real Property tomorrow than next year.

MR. REGAN: Thank you. Chair, if I may?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. REGAN: Member Hokama, thank you for that question. My understanding is that currently there is a GIS...and I'm not sure if the individual is an analyst, I don't know his exact title of his position, but that is on special assignment from the Planning Department to the Real Property Tax Division of the Department of Finance who is doing exactly what you're talking about. And he is assisting the Real Property Tax Division in accomplishing some of the things that were discussed in the TIG. So we've taken those comments to heart --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay.

MR. REGAN: --and we've taken action to create this. To kind of, I want to call it a pilot project but it's kind of a special assignment, similar to what we were doing currently in the Department of Management with the CIP Coordinator that we've got on special assignment from Parks. So that individual is there. That individual is working and doing exactly what you're talking about.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And again, gentlemen, you know, I was one of the four people that with people from Finance that worked long and hard on this, yeah, and, you know, for me, updating it and having current mapping, not AutoCAD, mapping is a top priority to the integrity of our system. And so with all due respect, gentlemen, I'm not looking at a temporary transfer, I am looking at a permanent position in Real Property for this component to provide as best as possible real time mapping abilities. Because for me it's a question of revenues and also to be able to authenticate whether or not a property owner is giving me the 360 or being very straight about it, and for me right now I think we're losing revenue because we're not providing the software to this Division, we're not providing the personnel. And I think the TIG Report was very specific and accurate in what this Committee wants to see in the Budget, because again for me it's a matter of revenue. So I would ask for your comments on how we can implement it tomorrow, because that's how soon I would like it, tomorrow and not next year, not July 1<sup>st</sup>, because if I can have it tomorrow I will do my best to get it done through this Committee and through the Council, gentlemen. Thank you, Chairman.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. And Mr. Medeiros brought up a subject so I'll ask the question. What's happening with the centralization program?

MR. MEDEIROS: Yes, as most of you know, the Mayor has suggested centralization of several different services including GIS. I was putting together the budget for a proposal in this year's

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Budget which would centralize the 14 GIS staff, only staff assigned by...with specific GIS titles, not necessarily people using GIS that may be engineers or planners or anything like that. The budget proposal was put together. It was decided not to propose it this year. I have the numbers if you are interested in hearing what it would cost in terms of centralizing everybody. And we expect that probably would be done, would be proposed in the 2014 Budget.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Operations. Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No questions.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Is this the area that I would put in money or do I need to put it in Finance and Real Property for the software requirements that the TIG requests to support the GIS position?

MR. MEDEIROS: Okay. Two things, just to add a little bit what the MD said. Real Property has one GIS Analyst permanent and Planning has temporarily assigned a GIS Analyst II to the Division. To follow my comment earlier about centralization, ten years ago when we looked at tax mapping or not so much tax mapping but parcel mapping, my analysis was that they needed three people, that they really needed three people in order to do this. If centralization goes forward that's one of the things that we would probably propose as part of the centralization is restructuring the 14 people that would now be in one division, and we would have three people doing GIS.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Hundred percent dedicated to that Real Property program?

MR. MEDEIROS: To the Real Property.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: 'Cause that's what I'm expect...I'm looking at 100 percent dedicated --

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MR. MEDEIROS: Yes.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --GIS people on Real Property Tax Division --

MR. MEDEIROS: And...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --only.

MR. MEDEIROS: And...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Time to be have for that...okay well today, you know, Real Property has a priority request but, you know, this other department has so I'm going to make a decision which one. No, no, no. I'm looking at dedicated Real Property GIS positions.

MR. MEDEIROS: And not just bottom level people. The intent was that they would be a high level GIS Analyst, a mid level, and then the junior level. One would be doing policy level stuff, making decisions, doing analysis. The second one would then be the one that would be basically drawing the line work and making sure the lines are accurate. And the third one would be doing the output product. Now they would be overlap between all positions because, you know, everybody is going to be doing GIS work. But yes --

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And I think that satisfies Ms. Baisa's example of --

MR. MEDEIROS: --the idea is to have somebody doing analysis...yes.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: --internal up movement upwards also.

MR. MEDEIROS: Right, exactly. So that you would have this team that is, you know, if people moved out, there would be an upward mobility in the team. But yes, the idea was that line work is fine and database work is fine, but it's the analysis that you do with both of those things that actually comes out with exactly what you said. Okay, let's take a look at what the data means in terms of, you know, are people being taxed fairly, are there, you know, what is the trend in a region, by region, that kind of a thing. As an intent was to look at it as a team and not as somebody doing it part time or anything along those lines.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. So, gentlemen, if it's in here, tell me where it is. If not, tell me what I need, because I am again going to push and fight for that component. Because, you know, I'm convinced through the participation with the TIG that that is something we need today, and I'm going to fight for it today. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch? Ms. Cochran?

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: So am I to understand that all...I counted six GIS in Planning and you mentioned that centralizing or whatever the positions, that is not going to be asked to happen this Budget cycle, is that correct? Was that, is that the idea to bring the other GIS Analysts from other departments within one Department?

MR. MEDEIROS: Yes. The Mayor's proposal was to centralize GIS staff, and there are 14. There's six in our Division, six in Planning, one in Real Property Tax, and one in Wastewater Division. Now on top of that in terms of that centralization, there were two specific areas of concern that we were going to move people around once we've got everybody together. One is Real Property Tax, the other is a digital data library, to have a data librarian and to actually have support that would do that, you know, on the side that provides data out to the users. Now without getting into the nitty gritty of the, of how that works is that obviously if you have 14 people and you now have 6 people working in two special projects, you're back down to 8 and they would be obviously reassignments within the 8. And so it's the question of how to get to that point, how to allocate the resources and buy them in. The other issue which you've also heard about recently is the zoning project, digital zoning. That has to be done before you move forward with community plan. You know I've been through the community plan process, the first question you get is how much vacant X zoned land, you know, whether it's Commercial zoned land or Hotel zoned land or Residential zoned land. You have to know that question, the answer to the question before you can say how much do you need. So you can have populations numbers but you need to know that. And so that's the other priority that's also, it would come out of that process. And yeah, and so centralization, there's pros and cons to it. One of the pros is now you have a lot more people to choose from to do these kinds of projects.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: So the RPT person Mr. Hokama's asking about, there's currently that particular position he's describing already in RPT? Or is this...

MR. MEDEIROS: RPT currently has a GIS Analyst III that is permanent full time in RPT, and in addition, recently a GIS Analyst II was transferred down to RPT to assist to work with that project.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay.

MR. MEDEIROS: And so there are currently two people, one is temporary and one is permanent.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Member Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Following along with this subject of the person or persons in RPT to deal with this, one of the things that I remember from the TIG was not only were we looking for people but we were looking for pictometry. We wanted good software. Now is that in here?

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MR. MEDEIROS: Okay. Pictometry is imagery, and pictometry has been delivered. It was purchased through the State wireless contract, and so, yes, the data is available. There's, you know, any aerial imagery has a certain timeframe --

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Right.

MR. MEDEIROS: --because it takes a long time to complete the project, and so there's some issues with that. But it's beautiful imagery. It's four inch pixel, very clear.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: So it isn't that --

MR. MEDEIROS: And...

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: --they're at a loss for the right software?

MR. MEDEIROS: And it's 1.7 terabytes for the Maui County data. It is huge in terms of file size.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: How current is the data?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: How current is it? Sorry.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: How current is the data?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Yeah, is it up to date? Is it the latest and greatest?

MR. MEDEIROS: Okay. The pictometry contract started in 2008, so some of it is 2008, some of it is 2010 or so. And so there has been some in certain areas that it needs to be re-flown, but that is in the Police contract which is a Statewide contract. And the question becomes, okay, if you want to move Maui ahead, somebody's got to pay. If not, you wait your turn as all of the other counties also are getting the same data.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Of course we want to move Maui ahead.

MR. MEDEIROS: Okay. Then...

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: We're no ka oi.

MR. MEDEIROS: Yes.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Give us a price.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Tell us how much.

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MR. MEDEIROS: I've been trying, but I will try to get the pictometry guys to give us...you know it's two issues, it's the money but then pictometry is shot on an airplane, not by satellite. So that requires missions, that means they have to come out here and they fly. And because they shoot both sides of a building, they take two flight lines to collect one house because they fly and they look at the north/south and they do the east/west, so you can rotate the building right around and look at all four sides. So you can't hide that addition in the back. And so...

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: That makes it --

MR. MEDEIROS: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: --worthwhile. Thank you.

MR. MEDEIROS: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Tell us how much and we'd love to think about it. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. So when this thing fly around make sure you're in house. Okay. Let's see. Machinery and Equipment. Hardly anything. Any questions on that, Machinery and Equipment? Mr. Mateo?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No. As far as I'm concerned if they can deliver the pictometry that's fairly up to date, I'm a happy camper. And I think the other concern that we have...and thank you for transferring somebody from Planning, because the challenge that we ran into was that we find that zoning changes don't get to the RPT guys and the parcel rate doesn't change and sometimes for a good while. So whatever we can do to upgrade their capacity to have updated zoning and, you know, so the zoning changes happen as quickly as they can. And then the pictometry tells us what's going on on the ground. And one of the questions I had was there are a lot of areas where the pictometry is not being provided, like one area that I can think of is the subdivision up above Kahakuloa, it's still just the Google imagery on the RPT site. And a variety of other areas once you get pass, actually out to about Huelo to probably around the airport in Hana, there's no pictometry. Is there any idea that that's going to be updated --

MR. MEDEIROS: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: --or included?

MR. MEDEIROS: The pictometry data set that we've got, it's missing Haleakala, the top, the National Park, but it's pretty complete in every place else. And so if there's specific areas that you're interested in, we can pull that up and we can print them out.

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COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Is that accessible? Or is that an accessible in house to us?

MR. MEDEIROS: If somebody's got a big enough drive to put it on. It requires --

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay, so it would have to be on one of our...

MR. MEDEIROS: --it's 1.7 terabytes.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay. So that would have to be loaded on our computer then?

MR. MEDEIROS: Yeah. It would either have to go onto a computer or somewhere where people can access it through the network. It would have to be secured on the network. It's licensed through the Police Department and then there's an agreement between the Department of Finance and the Police Department for access. It cannot go outside of the County of Maui because of the way the license is.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay.

MR. MEDEIROS: So State and Federal agents do not have access to it yet. They're looking into that, but yes. Now for those folks that don't have the technology, then basically that's what we're there for. You come to us, you tell us where you want to go, we'll pull it up. We can rotate it. You can pick which image you want, and we'll print it out. You know you've seen our product, our product --

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Yeah, yeah.

MR. MEDEIROS: --can be pretty large. And so we can provide that in paper to anybody within the County as well.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Okay.

MR. MEDEIROS: And so...yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Great. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Any more questions on Equipment? Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Again, you know, people like me are dangerous because we're not totally ignorant and yet we're not totally informed, Chairman. So, you know, learning what little, what additional I can learn from my guru, you know, part of my concern is even if we have the information, gentlemen, if it cannot be integrated in the systems we have, we are going to have difficulties. So is that an issue? And if it is, what do we need to do to make sure we can integrate it to the systems we have so we can make use of this data, this up-to-date data?

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MR. MEDEIROS: Let me speak first about the GIS side and then we can get into the other side. On the GIS side we use a software called RGS for desktops. Pictometry actually has a specific plug-in that you can pull it right up in the software, so it, so from the software side, not an issue. And the issue then becomes, okay, how do we move this without, you know, wrecking everybody's bandwidth in the middle, because it is fairly large. It's so large that they, you can only pull up six or seven of the images at a time, and then it actually prevents you from doing more. You have to close images because it'll blow your RAM easily. But anyway, that's technology. But so from the software side not a problem, it integrates right into GIS.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So we need additional hardware to expand the capacity of the RAM? Was that a good question, boss?

MR. MEDEIROS: If --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yes.

MR. MEDEIROS: --if somebody wanted direct access. So in our case--I don't know if you remember--we spent a couple years building up our hardware knowing this was coming. But, yeah, so if Real Property says, yeah, I want this now, it's got to either go onto a server that's fairly large and you've got to work that connection out or you've got to provide the hardware. And so I mean that's just technology, so the idea is that that's where...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah. And I'm going to defer to him, 'cause, again, Mr. Couch understands this thing about cloud and all these other things. But my understanding is that we are advancing so quickly that with this cloud concept which he knows much better than I, we can eliminate some of these things that you just shared about the hardware component, because it's going to be somewhere else that's going to have this big giant mega-capacity hardware components to provide us a level of service?

MR. MEDEIROS: Yes. That's the other option which is to put it up on the cloud and have it served say from pictometry themselves.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Right, right, right. Yeah. So, thank you, Chairman. I defer to my guru.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, guru, talk about the cloud.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Well all right, then talking about the cloud, do we, I don't know that we have on this island enough bandwidth to get something off the mainland, so the pipe is kind of small. The question I have is I know you're, you know, we're in budget and you're talking, you're trying to see the cheapest way to go. If you had...I mean 'cause you've had several of us say just give us a price. If Real Property needs the server there to handle...'cause it's all on...you've got gigabyte, you can have gigabyte internal router, even ten these days, so that's not going to be an issue then. If you fixed Real Property themselves with the equipment they

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need, get us a price. Everybody's asking for a price. We bring in \$210 million a year on Real Property Tax, so, you know, we can...we can afford, you know, if we want to bring in another 20 or 30 million dollars with what the TIG may be able to come up with, the equipment is cheap. So don't filter your answers with oh, we're trying to find the cheapest way, tell us what the Cadillac system is and then we can work around from that. That's kind of what we need is that kind of price.

MR. REGAN: And, Chair, if I may?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Regan?

MR. REGAN: Thank you, sir. We agree with you, and that's part of the reason why we're also doing this IT assessment. So we're hoping that through that IT assessment it's going to tell us exactly what we need to be able to do the things that we're talking about right here in this Committee. So and through that assessment, they'll give us direction and costs, and we'll be able to come back to you with a very clear picture of how much it's going to cost and what are the different levels, if you want to call it, that we can actually move forward with. So that's our intent with this assessment as well.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Just keep in the mind the longer we wait on that...I mean if you could do something specifically for RPT, it would be better. The more money we tend...could potentially lose every year in lost revenue from RPT.

MR. REGAN: We understand that. And, you know, in the meantime we will work with Real Property Tax to give them access to the data, but what we don't want to do is come in and say this is the best thing right now and then come to find out it's not something that's going to integrate well with the rest of our system. So we want make sure that it's done properly. And the assessment that I'm talking about, you know, although we have to obviously wait for the Budget to be approved by this body, I think at some point in time we're going to know whether or not that assessment is moving forward. And we can start the specs on that assessment so that we can be prepared to go out to bid quickly and to get that done quickly, so that we can come back to this body at a later time and be able to share with you the results of that assessment and where we need to do with the GIS system and in particular the Real Property Tax.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, thank you. And I want to remind the Members that once you drive a Cadillac off the lot, the value goes down, so, you know, in this age of pads and everything else, the price they're going to give us...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: . . .*(inaudible)*. . . Budget session.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah, it's going to change so.

MR. REGAN: Yes, sir.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Member Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. You know with this whole General Plan coming up, I've always had this dream and perhaps our Department here actually does this, I'm not sure but I'm going to ask. And it's say we want to look at, we want to go to the map and we want to sprout up all the units that are proposed in Kapalua Mauka, then we jump over to Pulelehua and sprout up all those and make them grow up like little mushrooms, and that's what they look like. You know and go all the way down the whole stretch of West Maui and all throughout the entire County with all these proposed, you know, projects or the ones that have their green lights or, you know, approved or going through the process. So do we have that type of capability in our system to do?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Department?

MR. MEDEIROS: Yes. The Planning Department picked up a software called Community Viz which is a visualization tool, and yeah. So, you know, it's supposed to be able to actually visualize what things are going to look like. Those of you that remember, many years ago the folks from NASA, Prescott College who did really nice stuff in terms of the hazard mitigation of actually showing not only how deep the flood would be but what houses would look like underneath the water after the flood. So the visualization has come a long way, and so --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Excellent.

MR. MEDEIROS: --yes. My hope as well is that when you get into the community plan process, you're going to have this kind of data to actually show you what it's going to look like, not only the colors on the map --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Right.

MR. MEDEIROS: --but actually show you what it's going to look like.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Excellent. Wonderful. I'm very, very excited about that. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Member Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: As we get deeper into the review of the General Plan, and I've had the opportunity to work with some of the stuff that they will have for us, it's very impressive. And I'm very, very grateful that you folks have that ability to show us that detail and to, you know, zero in on that maps and zero in on that particular area and put it up on the wall and show it to everybody, and this becomes really, really important. And so I am a big fan of what you are able to do. And I really want to make sure that you have the right tools, because you having the right

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tools means we have the right tools to make good decisions. So this is really important, Chair, and I think this is a good investment for us. It'll come back in spades because we'll be able to do better collection. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Members...oh, Mr. White?

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Thank you, Chair. Just one fast question. One of the things that we discussed with RPT was that the, there's a pictometry program that comes with an element that will calculate the volume of a house, and that to me is really important because we've got so many...you know, going through the records, there's so many parcels on which the pictometry shows you there are three or four structures, and yet RPT has only, you know, through the permitting process going to show one. And so I think it's important that we have the ability to look at that and say okay, here's one we got a red flag, and that to me is one of the biggest values to, you know, going down this road. Because so many people--you know, some because the permitting process is so difficult--just go ahead and do their own thing, and we miss out on the taxes and we miss out on being fair in assigning the responsibility for supporting the County.

MR. MEDEIROS: Yes. And on top of that once you've get that second data set, once you've got it re-flown somewhere down the line, say two years or three years down the line, it will automatically do change detection. Because it'll view both sets of data and it will highlight anything that has changed from one to the other. So then your staff time--or I should say the RPT staff time but it's really all of our staff, we pay them--would then be able to focus and not be hit or miss in terms of finding, you know, things that have done. And so and, you know, I keep harping on it but then now comes the second challenge, now you're going to have two sets of 1.7 terabyte data sets that you'll process and output another one. And so you have to say yes, all that hardware we need is going to be paid for by what we can do with that by doing change detection. Similarly in the case of disasters, although normally you would use satellite photos for that, you do the same thing. If you have a before photo of satellite and you have a disaster, you do an after photo and you do change detection, you can actually calculate how many structures were destroyed, you know, and all those kind of things. And when you make your submit to FEMA, you have the proof that this is how much damage was done, and that gives you a better chance of getting money from FEMA. And so these are the kind of skills that you want to build up and have the infrastructure so that if something like that to occur--which we hope never does--that you can actually go ahead and do this and get the output. It's sort of like buying an insurance policy, right, you don't get a return unless something bad happens but you don't want to be without that insurance policy if that bad thing happens. So that's just how it works.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: So then, Chairman, if you can through you, a letter from you to GIS, what it takes to get Real Property to the level we want, because it's going to pay for itself and then we're going to get the residual additional new revenue that will help pay for all these other things that the departments are asking for. So, you know, whether we need additional equipment of computers, additional hardware, what, that's what we need to know to make the best decision possible. But I want to be able to consider it in this Budget cycle, gentlemen. I'm not willing to wait another year and lose revenues that we can, we are maybe able to gain this year, okay, and

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that's our position, let us make the call. Give us the information we need to make the decision. Thank you, Chairman.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: If I might. I apologize, I didn't want to talk very much because I want to go home. But I also don't want to buy a Cadillac and find out that it can't drive off road.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: That's our decision, gentlemen. That's the policy of this Council.

MR. BAZ: Oh, no, believe me I understand completely, and I support this whole project. Coming from MIS in the back, in history, I support everything that's been discussed and moved forward, and especially wanting more revenue. Believe me, I want to be able to make sure that we're achieving the revenue that we need. Integration is something that we talk about, you know, the, yes, the pictometry and the GIS and things like that, but integration into systems and the communication of those systems is really, really critical when we decide what we're going to do and how we're going to do it. So if we're going to get a Real Property Tax system that uses pictometry to measure whether or not something's changed in an assessment or something we can see where, you know, a volume of a house is different than what the assessment is, it's real critical that we have the GIS backup data. You know these levels that Mr. Medeiros and others keep mentioning, these layers in GIS and how those integrate into additional software systems, like the Community Viz thing he mentioned, is really, really important, and we want to get it right. And we can get you some numbers, you know, right away, probably, you know, some, maybe some off the shelf stuff that might work, but we also don't want to get it wrong because this is our revenue source. And we don't want to be spending an investment of \$1 million into something that may not work with our KIVA system. Or well KIVA is getting upgraded anyway because that's outdated, and the land management system we have is the basis of our permitting, it's the basis of all of that. So if we have something that is integrated to the pictometry and the Real Property Tax, just the revenue side is important but also the permitting side as well. So we can see if something has been permitted, maybe that can then go down to Real Property and say hey, there's a new building here, we need to go check on it and make sure that it's good so that we have enough additional revenue and a new assessment in that area, too. So I really support what we're doing, and I've been in discussion with all of them, you know, as well in moving forward. And like I said, we can get you some numbers but just to caution a little bit on the timing of it and making sure that MIS has the capability to manage the integration and the communication.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: And, Mr. Baz, if we need for the short term to have it not be part of anything but an isolated component, it still achieves the goals that we, what we're hoping to achieve, I can live with that. And then buy the time to work out the integration requirements of the whole system, including the other departmental needs. But in the short term I think we're losing more by not moving forward, and that's the decision the nine of us will be making.

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MR. BAZ: Sure.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: But for help us, provide that information. You give us the pros and cons as you see it and then we'll make the call.

MR. BAZ: Thank you. Yeah, we'll be happy to provide you that. I, initially it'll probably be about a million dollars, but yeah, we'll talk about it.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. I think we killed that one enough.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Well it's money.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah. And, Mr. Baz, again, you know, I guess you know where we're coming from, yeah, and for me, I understand what you're saying in regards to moving forward. So, Members, any more questions in regards to Equipment? How about Goals and Objectives? We got couple more, well one more area to cover. Any questions on Goals and Objectives?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. So one more area to cover which is on Page 7-21. This is MIS system, MIS Program, Grant Revenue.

MR. MEDEIROS: Mr. Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yes?

MR. MEDEIROS: Could I have just a couple minutes?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Sure.

MR. MEDEIROS: I'd like to point something out.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Go ahead.

MR. MEDEIROS: I, several weeks ago I handed out a short handout which was the background information for our Division. At last year's Council meeting, there was a question about looking at budgets over longer period of time. So if you go into that handout, I did an eight year. So what I did in my annual report, I actually did an eight year thing. It shows Budget, E/P...that's the one. It shows Budget, E/P, our annual survey score, and the numbers of agencies, County

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agencies that we service, so we can actually, you can actually see I have the numbers and then graphs that actually shows over, you know, an eight year period shows the, how the Budget goes up and down, how the E/P changed, and how our scores go. And so I just wanted to point that out because it was something Council asked at the last Budget session last year, and I just wanted to point out that, yeah, we went ahead and did that and so it's available to you.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

MR. MEDEIROS: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Okay, Members, Page 7-21, MIS Program.

MR. BAZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. As was mentioned and Mr. Mateo, Chair Mateo brought it up, specifically looking at additional revenue to offset our costs in our IT section is something that Mr. Verkerke has worked on significantly, and there are a couple items here that are grant revenue in his program, we could discuss on Page 7-21.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay. Mr. Verkerke?

MR. VERKERKE: Mr. Chair, the first item, Dell Online Self-Dispatch Program is a benefit of what I talked about earlier, the staff development. Our staff is certified to perform repairs on Dell equipment which means that Dell under the maintenance agreement does not have to fulfill its obligation to send somebody out, so they send money instead. They pay us for the repairs that we perform ourselves. It makes it real easy to get replacement parts since they trust us that we have the ability to diagnose problems, and so we can go online, get a part the next day, we put it in, and then they send us a check once a month for that kind of repairs. So it's a win-win because we don't have to wait two-three days for somebody to show up, and we get some of the cost of the maintenance agreements reimbursed to us.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Good.

MR. VERKERKE: The second item, the Hawaii Integrated Justice Information Sharing Program, I trust that you've heard of this before. It's a Statewide initiative. They provide reimbursement for training, for travel, for and not necessarily reimbursement but direct expenditure for consulting support on their grants that they get from the Federal Department of Justice. So as a pass through to reimburse us for expenses that we may have incurred upfront, this grant revenue fund is necessary to be able to receive those checks from the Criminal Justice Data Center.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Thank you. Mr. Mateo, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER MATEO: No. We've discussed it fairly well prior with Mr. Verkerke's staff.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, good. Mr. White?

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COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: No, I'm fine. Thanks.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Hokama?

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Is there any grant to assist us with GPS on equipment and vehicles available that you know of, Mr. Verkerke?

MR. VERKERKE: The only thing I'm aware of is just discussions within the Department of Transportation for that functionality, but I don't have a direct knowledge of it now.

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you very much.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Mr. Couch? Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No question.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay, thank you. Thank you, Mr. Verkerke. Thank you, Mr. Regan, for being here. Thank you, Wendy. Thank you, David, for being here too, and Mr. Medeiros. We're done with Department of Management, guys.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Chair?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yes?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: We're not going to do CIP?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: No more.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: What is this Management? Never mind then.

MR. BAZ: Mr. Chair, the --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Oh, this is . . . *(inaudible)* . . .

MR. BAZ: --public safety radio system...

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: It's 2014.

MR. BAZ: Okay, yeah. The public safety radio system was discussed in Department of Police.

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CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

MR. BAZ: Yeah. And then also their emergency operations center is going to be a Fiscal Year '14 --

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yes.

MR. BAZ: --proposed project.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, go it.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thanks. . . .*(inaudible)*. . . go home, nah, just kidding.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: I know you're falling asleep. Okay. Members, tomorrow morning we're going to, or in fact tomorrow is Real Property Tax, Department of Parks, CIP for Department of Parks, Department of Housing and Human Concerns here at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. Members...

VICE-CHAIR HOKAMA: Chairman, just for our information, are you doing certification first thing or?

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Yeah. And tomorrow also we'll be passing out, Staff will distribute the real property tax on Exhibit 1 worksheets, so you'll get it tomorrow morning.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you.

CHAIR PONTANILLA: Okay.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTIONS.** (excused: RC and MPV)

**ACTION: DEFER pending further discussion.**

CHAIR PONTANILLA: So the Budget and Finance Committee meeting for April 19<sup>th</sup> is now adjourned. . . .*(gavel)*. . .

**ADJOURN:** 9:03 p.m.

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I, Daniel Schoenbeck, hereby certify that the foregoing represents to the best of my ability, a true and correct transcript of the proceedings. I further certify that I am not in any way concerned with the cause.

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