

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AGRICULTURE,
AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

October 19, 2012

**Committee
Report No.** _____

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

Chair and Members:

Your Economic Development, Agriculture, and Recreation Committee, having met on October 4, 2012, makes reference to a Miscellaneous Communication dated May 25, 2012, from the County Clerk, transmitting the matter relating to the proposed creation of a Parks Permit and Enforcement Program in the Department of Parks and Recreation.

A representative of the Department of Parks and Recreation informed your Committee that the intent of the proposed Parks Permit and Enforcement Program is to consolidate the permitting and enforcement divisions within the Department to better enforce and track usage of park permits.

The Budget Director informed your Committee that during the Fiscal Year 2013 Budget review, the proposed Parks Permit and Enforcement Program was established as a division under the Administration Program of the Department of Parks and Recreation, rather than as a separate program. The Budget Director noted that the Department of Parks and Recreation has already begun the process to create the Parks Permit and Enforcement Division within the Administration Program.

A representative from the Department of Parks and Recreation noted that all enforcement personnel within the Parks Permit and Enforcement Division have gone through police training, and they will only enforce Maui County Code violations under the Department's purview. Any disorderly conduct or situations that may be deemed dangerous will continue to be handled by the Department of Police.

The Budget Director noted that no legislative action is needed by your Committee. Functionally, the formation of the Parks Permit and Enforcement Division within the Administration Program accomplishes the same goal as the creation of a separate program, without the need for a Budget amendment.

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Your Committee notes that the Department of Parks and Recreation does not intend to pursue any changes to the Parks Permit and Enforcement Division in their Fiscal Year 2014 Budget proposal.

Your Committee voted 6-0 to recommend filing of the communication. Committee Chair White, Vice-Chair Cochran, and members Baisa, Carroll, Couch, and Pontanilla voted "aye". Committee member Hokama was excused.

Your Economic Development, Agriculture, and Recreation Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the Miscellaneous Communication be FILED.

This report is submitted in accordance with Rule 8 of the Rules of the Council.



MIKE WHITE, Chair