COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

July 24, 2015	Committee
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Honorable Chair and Members of the County Council County of Maui Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Budget and Finance Committee, having met on June 30, 2015, makes reference to a Miscellaneous Communication dated May 27, 2015, from the County Clerk, transmitting two contracts, including Contract C5742 ("Contract"). The Contract is between the County of Maui and A-Mehr Incorporation for professional services for preparation of closure and post-closure maintenance plans for the Waikapu, Olowalu, Makani, and Kalamaula closed landfills for the Department of Environmental Management, Solid Waste Division.

Your Committee notes the funds for the Contract were certified on March 20, 2015, for \$330,120 from index code 919509, Disposal Central Landfill.

Your Committee expressed concerns over utilizing operation funds for capital improvement costs, and encumbering funds for operations and maintenance contracts beyond the current fiscal year.

A representative from the Department of Environmental Management explained \$250,000 of the Contract is for work beyond the fiscal year for which the Contract was executed. The Department of Environmental Management has requested the Department of Finance disencumber that amount.

Your Committee noted capital improvement funds are appropriated for each of these closed landfills in the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget. Your Committee questioned whether the funds were appropriately categorized. The Budget Director informed your Committee he is discussing with the Department of Finance whether such services are more appropriately categorized as operations or capital improvements. He said the Mayor

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may need to request a budget amendment once a determination has been made.

Your Committee voted 6-0 to recommend filing of the Contract. Committee Chair Hokama, Vice-Chair White, and members Carroll, Cochran, Couch, and Crivello voted "aye." Committee members Baisa, Guzman, and Victorino were excused.

Your Budget and Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that Contract C5742 be FILED.

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

RIKI HOKAMA, Chair

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