

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

**MINUTES**

**November 15, 2016**

**Council Chamber**

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

**PRESENT:** Councilmember Riki Hokama, Chair  
Councilmember Mike White, Vice-Chair (in 9:42 a.m.)  
Councilmember Gladys C. Baisa, Member (out 11:59 a.m.)  
Councilmember Robert Carroll, Member  
Councilmember Elle Cochran, Member (in 10:01 a.m.)  
Councilmember Don Couch, Member  
Councilmember Stacy Crivello, Member  
Councilmember Michael P. Victorino, Member (in 9:17 a.m., out 11:44 a.m.)

**EXCUSED:** VOTING MEMBERS:  
Councilmember Don S. Guzman, Member

**STAFF:** Michele Yoshimura, Legislative Analyst  
Traci Fujita, Legislative Analyst  
Yvette Bouthillier, Committee Secretary

Ella Alcon, Council Aide, Molokai Council Office (via telephone conference bridge)  
Denise Fernandez, Council Aide, Lanai Council Office (via telephone conference bridge)  
Dawn Lono, Council Aide, Hana Council Office (via telephone conference bridge)

**ADMIN.:** Sananda Baz, Budget Director, Office of the Mayor  
Michael M. Miyamoto, Deputy Director, Department of Environmental Management (BF-121(4))  
Glenn Mukai, Director, Department of Liquor Control (BF-121(5))  
David Goode, Director, Department of Public Works (BF-121(6))  
Leslie Otani, Chief of Field Operations and Maintenance, Highways Division, Department of Public Works (BF-121(6))  
Gary Ambrose, Acting Superintendent, Highways Division, Department of Public Works (BF-121(6))  
Brienne Savage, Deputy Director, Department of Parks and Recreation (BF-128, BF-129)  
Jeffrey T. Ueoka, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Department of the Corporation Counsel

**OTHERS:** Craig Nakamura (BF-121(5))  
Patricia Cadiz, HST Windsurfing and Kite Surfing (BF-129)  
Dustin Tester, Maui Surfer Girls (BF-129)

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Lisa Paulson, Executive Director, Maui Hotel and Lodging Association (BF-121(5))  
Keoki Kalani, Executive Director, Hana Youth Center (BF-128) (via telephone conference bridge from Hana Council Office)  
Sheila Roback, Director, Hale Hulu Mamo Senior Center (BF-128) (via telephone conference bridge from Hana Council Office)  
Ronnie Hill (BF-128) (via telephone conference bridge from Hana Council Office)  
Ulu Helekahi (BF-128) (via telephone conference bridge from Hana Council Office)  
Peter Horovitz (BF-121(5))  
Dave Jorgenson (BF-121(5))  
Pamela Tumpap, President, Maui Chamber of Commerce (BF-129, BF-121(5))  
Barbara Guild (BF-129)  
Others (10)

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

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CHAIR HOKAMA: . . .(*gavel*). . . We shall bring this meeting to order. This is the Council's Committee on Budget and Finance. Today is the 15<sup>th</sup>, November 2016. And present we have this morning our Committee Members, Mr. Carroll --

COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL: Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --Ms. Baisa --

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --Mr. Couch --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Aloha. Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --and Ms. Crivello.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Good morning.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Excused are Ms. Cochran--she informed the Chair she will be late--Mr. White, Mr. Guzman is excused from the meeting, and Mr. Victorino. We have some requests by departments this morning, Members, so before we deal with those individual requests we shall take public testimony. As by the rules of this Committee, each person has up to three minutes and three minutes only to speak on each item that has been agendized for today's meeting. And when your name is called, you will come forward to the podium, state your name, the organization if you do represent such. And then share your testimony with the Chair. You are not to address the gallery or the Members. If you have written testimony, please make it known, and then you can summarize your other comments apart from your written testimony. You shall also...all of us shall turn off noisemaking devices as part of the decorum of these Chambers, and the Chair shall enforce all rules regarding decorum. With that,

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we shall start with public testimony. We will start with the Chamber at this time. We'd like to call up Mr. Craig Nakamura, and following Mr. Nakamura will be Patricia Cadiz.

**. . .BEGIN PUBLIC TESTIMONY. . .**

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

CHAIR HOKAMA: Good morning.

MR. NAKAMURA: --Members of the Council. Craig Nakamura. I'm an attorney in Wailuku. I'm here just testifying on my own behalf in support of the Department of Liquor Control measure, BF-121(5). I understand that this...I did submit written testimony and I'm not going to read it verbatim, I'm just going to kind of summarize. I understand that the purpose of this is to transfer funds so that the Liquor Department can purchase a portable electronic fingerprint scanner. I represent numerous clients, hotels, restaurants and so forth who have offices throughout the country and sometimes even internationally, and one of the requirements now is that the individuals involved with the entity provide numerous documents regarding their background including criminal history clearance checks and fingerprinting. The present process is that the Department uses a fingerprint card. I don't know when this originated. It's probably been in use at least for the last 30 years that I've been doing this. And it's a hard copy, I've attached a copy of it to my testimony. I will also leave a copy here of the actual document so that the Committee Members can see what is being done. So what this requires is that I have to mail this hardcopy to my clients in, you know, in the other states or other countries. They're required to go to a state or excuse me, a law enforcement agency and have their fingerprints, you know, done, manually done. Like you're probably familiar with doing that, I think all of us have had to do it at one point in time. You go down and they roll your finger across the card itself, and then they are required to send in this letter from the law enforcement agency certifying that the fingerprinting was done by them. And that, those two documents are sent directly to the Department of Liquor Control and the Department processes it for clearance. You can see this is a real cumbersome process. I mean it requires mailing back and forth and then it requires the Department to then physically mail this to someone else to have it cleared, and it's very, very time consuming. So we feel that the, a new fingerprint digital equipment which is very, very common would be very helpful and just helpful in speeding up the process. Some of my clients, especially in Japan I notice they don't even like to get, they don't like to do this at all. I mean I think they feel it's kind of an insult to ask them to do that. So we hope that this fingerprinting will be done. Even...I'm running out of time, but even yesterday one of my client's fingerprints was rejected. You know sometimes it's not done clearly. Sometimes older people have, their fingerprints are actually difficult to take, so we hope the digital process will help go through this. And it's not uncommon, you know, I mean I think a lot of have phones nowadays and even phones are require...are using digital fingerprint identification processes. So with that, I'd be happy to answer any questions that anyone has.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Nakamura.

MR. NAKAMURA: And I'd like to leave the card so people could take a look at it if they want.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you.

MR. NAKAMURA: Thank you very much.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. And thank you, Mr. Nakamura, for being here.

MR. NAKAMURA: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: I have two questions. One, you were talking about your clients in Japan that don't want to do the fingerprint thing. How will this device help them or will it?

MR. NAKAMURA: Well, it won't help them except that it'll make the process a lot easier.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. NAKAMURA: You know so I think it's easier for them to understand and easier for them to just go down and, you know, have their handprint taken rather than having to be rolled and mail this document back and forth.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. NAKAMURA: So I think, you know, really this will really expedite the process.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. You also seem to imply that this is a new requirement?

MR. NAKAMURA: No.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, it isn't?

MR. NAKAMURA: This fingerprint requirement has always been in effect. That card is probably something that's been in use for at least 30 years, and it's a manual, yeah, manual thing.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: So when you said new requirements, what...is there a new set of requirements for paperwork or?

MR. NAKAMURA: Yeah, I apologize if I said new requirements.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, okay.

MR. NAKAMURA: It's really nothing new.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay.

MR. NAKAMURA: You know what we're trying to do is institute this, the fingerprint identification program which is also very common in the United States and...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay. Okay.

MR. NAKAMURA: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Any other questions for Mr. Nakamura? Thank you very much for your testimony.

MR. NAKAMURA: Thank you very much.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Cadiz, why don't you join us, and following her will be Dustin Tester.

MS. CADIZ: Thank you, Chair Hokama. My name is Patricia Cadiz, I'm here to talk about BF-129 concerning concessions in the County beach parks. I'd like to ask Budget and Finance to consider amending this proposal to exclude CORA activities from the concession model. There's several reasons. One is right now Maui Visitors Bureau says that we're...one of the reasons we've been number one island in the world for so long is the diversity of activities, so obviously we're doing something quite right. So it seems to me to throw out the CORA activity or beach park activities and replace it with a concession system is a pretty dangerous thing to consider, at least not without a lot of deliberation. Now also harken back to when we did all of the admin rules, the reason that we did all of that was that the County beach parks were overrun with commercial activities, especially in the small parks on the South Side. So your phones were ringing off the hook with complaints. And now you don't have that problem I think. You don't have a problem of overrun, small parks being overrun with commercial activities. And so I feel...sorry, I'm a little lost this morning. But I feel that it would be a mistake to replace the permit system that hasn't truly been actually ever fully implemented, because the minute all those rules were vetted and finished and codified, the attitude somehow at the administrative level went lax on enforcement. And so even now if you Google surf lessons or kite lessons, you'll find more unpermitted operators than permitted operators. So the permit system is a good system. It's 95 percent there, we're just going to keep asking for enforcement to make it work right. It doesn't need to be replaced with a concession system. I know that there is some...a feeling that the concession system might yield more income for the park. But if you degrade the visitor and resident experience by overtaxing the park with too much commercial activity, we know that just results in a bad result for locals and unhappy visitors that may not return, and therefore jeopardizing that number one

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island status. I also think that there is potential for longstanding businesses like ours to be outbid and it's quite possible that the high bidder wouldn't necessarily have the expertise to run a safe and valuable operation. So I guess I'm done. Any questions?

CHAIR HOKAMA: You can conclude, Patricia.

MS. CADIZ: Well, I just, I have quite a bit more. I mean I know this is just the beginning of discussion so maybe I'll get around to meet some of you. But I really hope that you'll carefully consider the idea of activity concessions in the beach parks. I can see that other types of concessions in other types of parks could be well received by the public. But I think it's a mistake to replace CORA. It's a well thought-out system. It's the most successful activity regulation system in the State, and there is no comparable successful beach activity concession in the State, not Waikiki, not Kauai, no place.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Any questions for Ms. Cadiz, Members? Okay, and just so you and others can know, today is our initial review of the proposal, Patricia, so we're not doing any decision making or anything. We're just going to go through the review.

MS. CADIZ: Yeah, yeah. I just want you to know we're --

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah.

MS. CADIZ: --watching.

CHAIR HOKAMA: No, good. We welcome your comments.

MS. CADIZ: Thank you very much.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

MS. CADIZ: Aloha.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Dustin Tester, please.

MS. TESTER: Patti is always a hard act to follow. So my name is Dustin Tester. I am the owner of Maui Surfer Girls, a CORA permit holder. And I just want to know why the County doesn't have my back. I'm going to speak to what Patti was talking about. I've lived on Maui for 42 years, my business has operated legally for 16 years, bringing hundreds of tourists to my camps and my surf lessons. I pay thousands of GE sales tax money, permit, liability insurance naming the County of Maui additionally insured. I've trained and employed several highly competent ocean men and women to keep our tourists safe at a potentially extreme beach park. I just feel the County Parks doesn't have my back after all these years. You are considering replacing my permit possibly with a concession system that could open the doors to corporations that could outbid me and my boutique small surf school. Could you imagine an Expedia kiosk at Ukumehame Beach Park, renting standup paddle boards to tourists, and the afternoon trades sweep them out to Kahoolawe which I've actually witnessed

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before? Instructors that have no experience or respect for that fragile and beautiful stretch of coastline could occur. Please do not allow activity companies to be included as a concession in our County beach parks. Thanks.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you for your comments. Any questions for Ms. Tester, Members?

MS. TESTER: One thing I want to do...mention one more thing.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Sure.

MS. TESTER: I just want to...although I feel sometimes that you don't have my back, I do want to express gratitude. The last time I testified, I did mention that our County...at Ukumehame our picnic tables have been destroyed, and you guys the next day came down and fixed those picnic tables, so thank you so much. There's still enforcement issues that are occurring of course, but and there's a couple of other things that I'm going to submit to the County for fixing. But we're down there, we're cleaning up. There's no trashcans down there and the wind comes and trash is everywhere. So yeah, Ukumehame needs a little more love. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Ms. Tester.

MS. TESTER: Yeah.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Lisa Paulson, please.

MS. PAULSON: Good morning, Chair --

CHAIR HOKAMA: Good morning.

MS. PAULSON: --Committee...Members of the Committee. My name is Lisa Paulson. I am the Executive Director of the Maui Hotel and Lodging Association, and I did submit written testimony. I'm here today in support of BF-121 to amend the fiscal year Budget to purchase the electronic fingerprint machine. And I concur with everything that Mr. Nakamura had said. Do need to stress that this will create greater efficiencies in renewing and even getting new liquor licenses for our businesses. So I would like to see the support in the purchase of that machine. Thank you very much.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Any questions for Ms. Paulson, Members? Thank you very much for your comments.

MS. PAULSON: Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: We welcome Mr. Victorino to the meeting this morning.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Good morning, Chair.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Good morning. We'll go visit our District Offices. I'm told we have people who would like to give comments. So we'll go to Hana District and ask, Ms. Lono, is there anyone wishing to provide testimony please?

MS. LONO: Good morning, Chair. This is Dawn Lono at the Hana Office and the first testifier is Keoki Kalani testifying on BF-128. Go ahead, Kalani.

MR. KALANI: Good morning. My name is Keoki Kalani and I'm the Executive Director of Hana Youth Center. Baseball has been a vital community activity here in Hana as far back as I can remember, and I'm fortunate to have seen generations fully utilize our park. And I ask for your support towards improvement, specifically BF-128 for our Hana Ball Park. It seems as though elements of nature tend to really deteriorate things here quicker which calls for constant upkeep and maintenance. And items that Hana Parks and Recreation have planned are important and will serve the community here for decades to come. So I thank you for your consideration. Mahalo.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you for your testimony. Any questions for the gentleman? Having none, Ms. Lono, is there another person wishing to provide testimony?

MS. LONO: Yes. I have Ms. Sheila Roback from Hale Hulu Mamo Senior Center, testifying on BF-128.

MS. ROBACK: Aloha, Councilmembers. This is Sheila Roback, Senior Center Director of Hale Hulu Mamo. Just want to thank you for continuously supporting our Hana Parks and Rec and our community of Hana, and speaking today on behalf of the BF-128. Like Keoki mentioned, our ball park is need for improvement, especially with the concession stand and the scoring office. And definitely a new dugout is needed. So we do have a lot of baseball players in Hana and other events that takes place in the ball park that could benefit from these improvements. So again, mahalo for your continued support, and I am in support of BF-128. Mahalo.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Ms. Roback. Members, questions for the lady? Having none, thank you for your comments this morning. Ms. Lono, you have anyone else?

MS. LONO: Yes. I have Mr. Ron Hill testifying on behalf of himself, BF-128.

MR. HILL: Howzit. My name is Ronnie Hill. I've done a lot of work at the park here. I want us to try and get that dugout done. It's a safety factor because of the fact that there's hardly anything there. It's all termite'd, and if we could move the dugout over to the fence and have a matching dugout like all other parks, it would really be so important to our community. I have a lot more to say but I'm going to keep it short.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you very much for your comments. Members, any questions for the gentleman? Having none, thank you very much for your testimony this morning. Ms. Lono, anyone else from Hana?

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MS. LONO: There is no one here waiting to testify at this point. Oh wait! I'm sorry, I'm sorry. E kala mai iau. We have Ulu Helekahi testifying on BF-128.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you.

MS. HELEKAHI: Good morning and aloha. My name is Ulu Helekahi. I am a vendor for the sports for Hana Parks and Recreation Office, and I'm for support for BF-128, additional funding requested to complete Hana Ball Park dugout, the painting and reroofing. And also moving the old first base dugout closer to the fence, so we would need a new dugout. Mahalo for your kokua. Aloha.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mahalo for your testimony. Members, any questions? Having none, thank you, Ms. Lono. We'll go to Lanai and ask, Ms. Fernandez, anyone wishing to provide testimony?

MS. FERNANDEZ: Good morning, Chair. This is Denise Fernandez on Lanai and there is no one waiting to testify.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Alcon, anyone on Molokai wishing to provide testimony?

MS. ALCON: Good morning, Chair. This is Ella Alcon on Molokai and there is no one here waiting to testify.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, ladies. We'll return to the Chamber. Peter Horovitz, and following him will be Dave Jorgenson.

MR. HOROVITZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair, Members of the Committee. My name is Peter Horovitz. I'm an attorney in town. I'm just testifying on behalf of myself in favor of BF-121(5), requesting additional funds or movement of funds for the Liquor Department to purchase a fingerprint scanner. Our firm represents like Mr. Nakamura's firm, Mr. Jorgenson's firm, we represent a number of licensees, everyone from the small mom and pop shops on up to hotels. And the...none of them have any problems or dispute in complying with the requirements of the Liquor Department to get and to maintain a license, but they are numerous and they do take a fair bit of time. And especially for the smaller operations, time, the time it takes to get or maintain a license can make or break a business. So we are in favor of anything that will increase efficiencies for our, the application process. As Mr. Nakamura mentioned, the fingerprint technology and the scanning technology has come a long ways. We probably all have it on our phones in front of us or in our pockets. It's good. It's used by law enforcement all across, all around the country and in Hawaii as well. I see no reason why the Liquor Department shouldn't be able to use it as well or shouldn't be provided the funds to purchase the equipment to be able to use it. That, it's one small step for our, you know, for the licensees but it is a critical one, because we do, you know, we do have licensees who have, you know, offices all around the country. And the time as Mr. Nakamura mentioned in getting things back and forth can mean you'll miss getting on an agenda which sets you back another month or two. Again, this is really...it's not a question of a desire of licensees to

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comply, they want to, they want to find ways to do so efficiently in a time which translates straight into the bottom line for them. So I'm happy to answer any questions that the Chair or any of the Committee Members may have.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you for your testimony this morning. Members, any questions for the gentleman? Having none, we appreciate your comments.

MR. HOROVITZ: Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Jorgenson, if you would come forward, please, and following him will be Pamela Tumpap.

MR. JORGENSON: Aloha and good morning --

CHAIR HOKAMA: Good morning.

MR. JORGENSON: --Chairman Hokama, Members of the Committee and Staff. My name's Dave Jorgenson, I'm an attorney in Wailuku. I'm also here testifying on my own behalf, not on behalf of any organization but basically on behalf of all the clients I have who are licensees now and in the future. One clarification or explanation I'm going to provide to Mr. Couch's question. The machine that the Department is asking to purchase can receive the live scans. It's not just to take the live scans here which is as you've heard very important, will help a lot, it's also if a client's in LA and they go to a facility that has live scans, they can have it done there and then it'll be sent to this machine here. So the...what I took out of your question was how is this going to help our clients if they're in LA, how are they going to come here and use the live scan if it's here? The machine and the Director can clarify if I'm stating it incorrectly, but my understanding is if it's done in Japan, if it's done in Iowa, if it's done in California, they can send them to this machine, then this machine will be...they can process them here from that machine. As Mr. Nakamura and Mr. Horovitz said, sometimes when you go even down to MPD, sometimes we'll do the fingerprints for clients, but sometimes they're just not done right. As you can imagine this is not a law enforcement thing, this is an extra service so it is frequently, the recruits who are down there doing the fingerprints and sometimes they may not be done correctly. If they're not done correctly, it takes a little while but eventually that's discovered and they have to be redone. If that happens in Honolulu or LA or Japan then you have a whole nother couple week adventure. So this is something that the Department needs and wants and would help everybody. It'll help the Department, it'll help the licensees, and frankly it'll help me, it'll help our office, because it'll make things much more efficient. So I really appreciate your time and your consideration of this request.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Dave.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Chair?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Members, any questions for Mr. Jorgenson?

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COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yes.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yeah, one quick question. Thank you, Mr. Jorgenson, for being here. So it's my understanding then you would have someone who would be dedicated to doing this type of work? Because you just mentioned recruits, so you're going to hire someone or you're going to have someone trained to do this specific work?

MR. JORGENSON: The recruits I was referring to are at the Police Department.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yeah, no, no, I understood that. But the person that's going to do it for you.

MR. JORGENSON: The Department, it'll be the Department. The Department has people who do the fingerprints now. The alternative on Maui is Police Department or going to the Liquor Department. We usually send our clients to the Liquor Department because if the Liquor Department does them, number one, they have a lot of training in doing them --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay.

MR. JORGENSON: --as opposed to somebody who started doing them last week maybe. And it's just, if they've done them then they're more likely to do it right and accept the results. But the Department, Mr. Mukai can explain how he's going to...who's going to run the machine. But my understanding is his staff is or will be trained to do that.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay, that's all my question was. Thank you, Mr. Chair. Thank you, Mr. Jorgenson.

MR. JORGENSON: And I don't mean to denigrate the Police Department, I mean they've been helpful, it's just sometimes the recruits have a thousand things going on in their mind and this is a little bit of an extra community service. Sometimes the fingerprints have come back less than acceptable.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Mr. Jorgenson.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Any other questions for Mr. Jorgenson? Having none, thank you for being here this morning.

MR. JORGENSON: Thank you very much.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Tumpap, if you would come forward, please, and following her will be Barbara Guild.

MS. TUMPAP: Aloha and good morning, Chair Hokama.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Good morning.

MS. TUMPAP: Good morning. I'm Pamela Tumpap, President of the Maui Chamber of Commerce. I asked to be added on to BF-121. May I speak to --

CHAIR HOKAMA: That's fine.

MS. TUMPAP: --that first?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Sure.

MS. TUMPAP: Thank you. This is a piece of equipment that is \$13,000 and it's a transfer of funds, and if we look up at the holdup and the things that we've heard today, I think it would be very easy to establish that that \$13,000 is going to be recouped many times over by eliminating the delays with the fingerprinting machine. So we want to support that initiative, and just wholeheartedly support that move. And the other item that I wish to testify on today was BF-129 on the concessions and sponsorships in County parks. I know and we submitted written testimony so if you'll please take a look at that, that this the first attempt on a new bill. It's on concessions and it's on sponsorship activities in the park. As the Maui Chamber of Commerce, of course we support expanded opportunities for businesses. So we looked at the bill, we felt in many places there were areas where the discretion was too broad. We want to make sure it's an equitable playing field for businesses to participate in these new and expanded opportunities. I won't go into all of that because our testimony details where we felt that that was applicable. So we just ask that those things be looked at as this bill moves forward. And then lastly what we wanted to say and I know this bill does not address that, but it has come many times over the past few years about concessions and relating that to the commercial ocean recreational activity operators. We just want to again ask as we have for the past couple of years, if that is being looked at or when that is starting to be considered that we work with the industry. We've had many businesses who spent a lot of their time and energy over decades building businesses, and we want to make sure they're not left out on the process. And we feel winning solutions can be obtained by working with the industry. And we ask that that happen before bills move forward on that side of a concession initiative. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you for your comments on both proposals. Members, any questions for Ms. Tumpap this morning? Okay, we do, we have received your written testimony so thank you.

MS. TUMPAP: Thank you. Mahalo.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you for being here. Barbara Guild, please.

MS. GUILD: Thank you for listening to me. I'm speaking as an individual who has for many years used the facilities at the beach park, especially on the North Shore. And this is

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for, I'm speaking on BF-129 which other people have spoken about today. My husband and I came to Maui 32 years ago and because of windsurfing. And until last year and I hope again next year, I have been taking lessons from one of the people who run one of the windsurfing schools. And as I understand it, this bill is proposing that one concessionaire would take over all of Kanaha Beach Park. I know that it's a very harmonious and a very wonderful place to go, both for tourists and the people who live here. And it attracts people from all over the world to use the facilities of these schools or these people who give very efficient lessons on difficult sports. The windsurfing of course has expanded so that they give lessons for kite boarding, for standup paddling, for many other things. And it employs a fair group of people by having different schools there. And they all operate very harmoniously. There's no, you know, one school trying to take over for another school or trying to grab their students from another place. They do it in a very harmonious manner. And it provides employment for a number of people besides making a very attractive place for tourists from all over to come and use this. To change this to one, a single concessionaire would be I think...why break...I mean what is the old saying, if something is working, why fix it? If it ain't broke, don't try to fix it. And the administrative rules that have been in place for 5 years now that took about 13 years for them to get to this point, why try to change it into something else? The place isn't like Waikiki for instance where there are hotels right there. It's in a fairly remote area along the coast on this North Shore. And it just, everything seems to work in a very heavenly harmonious manner. And I would not like to see only a single operator down there. Anyway, how would you ever monitor how much money they take in? Now there's no money exchanged on the beach, people have to do it at one of the surf shops in order to pay for their lessons. The different schools have their own trucks and their own equipment that they bring down and take away.

CHAIR HOKAMA: We appreciate your comments, Ms. Guild. Thank you so much. Members, any questions for the lady on her testimony this morning? Thank you very much for sharing your comments with us.

MS. GUILD: Okay. Well, it's for the benefit of everybody to keep it I think the way it is. If there are a few modifications that need to be made then make them but don't do so some drastic change.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you very much.

MS. GUILD: And thank you for your time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. We're going to check with the District Offices one last time before we close testimony. Ms. Lono, anyone else in Hana would like to give testimony?

MS. LONO: The Hana Office has no one waiting to testify, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Lanai, Ms. Fernandez, anyone wishing to provide testimony?

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MS. FERNANDEZ: The Lanai Office has no one waiting to testify.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Alcon on Molokai?

MS. ALCON: There's no one here on Molokai waiting to testify.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, ladies. Members, with no objections, we shall close testimony for today's meeting.

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTIONS

CHAIR HOKAMA: So ordered.

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

**ITEM 121(4): AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFERS RELATING TO CATEGORIES OF USE BUT WITHIN A PROGRAM OR DEPARTMENT (DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM))**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Let us move to BF-121(4). This is under the heading of Amendments to the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget to Authorize Transfers Relating to Categories of Use Within a Program or Department. Subheading is the Department of Environmental Management. We have a proposed resolution from Mr. Baz, Budget Director, dated October 26, 2016 to transfer \$1,200 from Category B to C for departmental needs. We have the Deputy this morning, Mr. Miyamoto. Mr. Baz, any opening comments you wish to share?

MR. BAZ: Good morning, Chair and Members. So before you this morning is a resolution authorizing the transfer of \$1,200 from B Category of the Environmental Protection and Sustainability Program to the C Category, and this is for a copier lease. They own their current copier but it's been causing some delays in production of items, and Mr. Miyamoto can detail maybe if there's any other questions about the current condition of their copier. But in analyzing this one, it looks like a lease is cheaper than buying a new copier, and so we are proposing this transfer to allow that to happen. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Miyamoto, any comments?

MR. MIYAMOTO: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Just some brief information about the existing copier. The copier is well over 10 years, I think it's closer to 20 years old. The functions are on it are starting to fail. I think the only thing they can do on it now is pretty much copy in black and white. The color option is no longer functional. The parts to bring that service back on is not, are not available. Fortunately, we have an

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old scanner that they're using to scan documents at this point. Any significant amount of copying they need to do, we ask them to bring it to our office and we utilize our copier to help support them at this time. So they really are in need of a replacement and we're looking at the lease option, Mr. Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. So is this going to be a movement toward leasing versus purchasing for most departments, Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. We're still taking it on a case-by-case basis, but we're tending to see that the leases are more effective as far as keeping up the equipment. Once you get to, pass that five-year mark the cost of maintaining and repairing the copy machines becomes exorbitant. And so yeah, while we may retain that asset for ten years or so, the maintenance costs end up costing us just as much as a lease would be anyway so that's why we're kind of looking at the leases more frequently. But yeah, it's still a case-by-case basis.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Mr. Carroll, any questions? Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, none.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Couch? Ms. Crivello?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Not at this time. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: One quick question. What is the life expectancy of this machine? I know you had the other one for 20 years but I'm not expecting that. But what is the life expectancy as far as utilization of this machine?

MR. MIYAMOTO: The one that we're going to lease?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: The one that you're going to lease.

MR. MIYAMOTO: The machine that we're going to lease? Since it's a lease we don't really own it but typically it's about five years.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Five years. Okay. Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Any other questions at this time for our Department or Mr. Baz? If not, the Chair is open to a motion to recommend to Council passage of a proposed resolution entitled Authorizing the Transfer of Unencumbered Appropriation Balance within the Department of Environmental Management, Fiscal Year 2017 Budget; filing of communications.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: So move, Mr. Chair.

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Second.

CHAIR HOKAMA: I have a motion by Mr. Victorino, seconded by Mr. Couch. Members, any discussion? Having none, all in favor of the motion, please say "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Opposed say "no". Motion passes with six "ayes," three excused, Ms. Cochran, Mr. White, and Ms. [sic] Guzman.

**VOTE: AYES: Chair Hokama, and Councilmembers Baisa, Carroll, Couch, Crivello, and Victorino.**

**NOES: None.**

**ABSTAIN: None.**

**ABSENT: None.**

**EXC.: Vice-Chair White, and Councilmembers Cochran, and Guzman.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**ACTION: ADOPTION of resolution and FILING of correspondence by C.R.**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Miyamoto.

**ITEM 121(5): AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFERS RELATING TO CATEGORIES OF USE BUT WITHIN A PROGRAM OR DEPARTMENT (DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR CONTROL - LIQUOR FUND)**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Let me direct you to 121(5) under Amendments to the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget. This is regarding the subheading of Department of Liquor Control under Liquor Fund. Mr. Baz has sent us a proposed resolution to transfer funds for a portable electronic fingerprint scanner. Mr. Baz, any comments?

MR. BAZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Again, Members, just a resolution transferring \$13,000 from the B Category to the C Category for the Department of Liquor Control. You heard from the testifiers the details, and we do have our Director Mr. Glenn Mukai here to answer any specific questions.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Good morning, Director. Any opening comments on your request?

MR. MUKAI: To follow up on what...

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Can you go closer to the mic? Cannot hear. Thank you.

MR. MUKAI: To expand on what happened is when we receive the fingerprint card from the applicant, we forward it to the Criminal Justice Center and they are the one that process and mail us back the result, written result. And at times the result comes back that some of the fingerprint is not acceptable so the process have to start all over again, you know, fingerprinting which adds another month or two for them to obtain a license. So in moneywise, I notice that our gross liquor sales for the County of Maui on the last fiscal year was approximately \$350 million out of 440 licensees, so it breaks down to about 800,000 per licensee. Of course you have some that sell less, some that sell more. So it comes down to about--if my math is correct--about \$66,000 a month. So each delay is costing the economy 66,000. But if you put in the factor which a licensee told me, the ripple effect which is they figured out is 1.5 or what generates, so that 66,000 come to about 90,000. So what's not flowing in the economy if you had both is 150,000 a month for each delay. So if you have a month, two months, three months delay before they can get the process, go through the process, that's a lot of money that's not flowing through the economy. Now with this fingerprint scanner if you are familiar with it, all you do is put your fingerprint on like if you go to TSA. It will tell you immediately if the fingerprint is acceptable or not. If it's not--I went through this with DSA--they can say just move your finger a little to the left, a little to the right and it'll light up, it's acceptable. They capture that acceptable thing and they send it to the Criminal Justice Center. And according to what my research shows that it takes about on average eight hours for it to return, the result and at times within an hour. So the time factor is enormous that you save.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you for that comment. Members, questions for --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Chair?

CHAIR HOKAMA: --Mr. Baz or Mr. Mukai?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Chair?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Carroll --

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Oh, I'm sorry.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --questions? Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: None.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Couch? Ms. Crivello?

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COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: No, I just can appreciate the, I guess the efforts to try and advance the technology that could...I mean like on Molokai we wait forever to have anything processed so we can understand and appreciate those efforts. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. White?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Thank you, Chair. I have no concerns about this bill. I think it's something that should be done, and if we can make it a little easier for the Department that's great. My issue with the fingerprinting is more that we ask for people that have never been involved in the operation on Maui to be fingerprinted. I just use the example of our owner. A number of years ago he was...I believe when we went through this, he was about 98 years old, he was giving away more money to charity than most people have anywhere in the world. And yet in order to get our liquor license, we had to tell our owner who lives in Hong Kong to go down and get fingerprinted. And I just, you know, he's owned the property for, well, he's owned the property since 1978 and the hotel since '88 and he spent 1 night there. He's not involved in the operations, he doesn't even know what we sell, and yet we have to have him fingerprinted. So we are working with the Department to see if we can moderate that a little bit, because that's more my concern that we have people being required to have criminal abstracts done and fingerprinted that have absolutely no involvement in the operations. So that's my only concern. I don't have any problem with us digging into the backgrounds of all the people that are involved in the actual operation, the purchasing, the, you know, the nightly or daily operations. I have no problem with us doing whatever is necessary in that direction. So I think this is a good bill, it'll help make things a little easier. Just that my concern is that at a high level we're asking for things that we, I don't believe we can necessarily feel comfortable with. So thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Thank you. And, Mr. Mukai, I guess the question begs to be asked, you'll have training for this new machine with your people right? 'Cause I...

MR. MUKAI: Yes, they will provide the training.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: You gotta closer to the mic.

MR. MUKAI: Yes, the company...

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: 'Cause your voice doesn't project like mine, so please.

MR. MUKAI: Okay. Okay, Live Scan, the people that will process...we're purchasing the machine from will come down and teach our investigators to do it.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: To how to handle the machine?

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MR. MUKAI: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Okay. 'Cause accuracy is so important at this point yeah.

MR. MUKAI: Yes.

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

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Gentlemen, so what you're showing the, your request for acquisition or purchase, is this scanner is going to be portable and you're going to take it to different locations?

MR. MUKAI: No, basically why we're requesting the portable one is because we don't have the floor space or area for a permanent scanner, because you have to hook up all the wires and everything else so we can send it to Hawaii Criminal Justice Center. So the portable, what we can do is put it on an investigator desk where everything will be hooked up. Hook it up so whenever someone comes in for request for a fingerprinting, we can hook it up, they can do it and we can remove it, and the investigator still can use his workspace.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. How big is this equipment and what kind of space are you --

MR. MUKAI: Basically it's not --

CHAIR HOKAMA: --dealing with?

MR. MUKAI: --that big. Based on what I saw at the TSA, the live scanner they have, it's basically it's, the fingerprinting itself is about maybe a 10x4 inch where you put your fingers on, and the rest is more hooked up, there's a computer below.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, we can deal with this in budget later on. So one of the things I want to ask Mr. Ueoka since on Page 3 of 7 there is a note under customer responsibilities that the Hawaii Criminal Justice Division asks us to work with them through I guess an agreement to prepare the system and network. So do we need an IGA consideration?

MR. UEOKA: Thank you, Chair. I'm not familiar of course with exactly what the requirements of the HCJDC must be, but my understanding would be it might not reach the level of intergovernmental agreement 'cause likely it won't be a financial obligation on the part of the County. It'll just be we'll probably have to comply with their requirements and do some work with them; however, if there is a financial obligation, we will definitely work with the Department of Liquor to make sure that we take the proper steps to have the intergovernmental agreement approved before entering into it. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: So for the Department, tell the Committee this morning what does HCJDC is required to prepare regarding the system and network for you?

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MR. MUKAI: Well, basically to prepare the net, the network and to hook up the equipment, it would be basically by the ITS or MIS, and working with the Hawaii Criminal Justice Center on exactly what need to be done and the exact hookup. So we've been in communication with ITS and the Hawaii Criminal Justice. And I believe they must be familiar with it, because the police have the Live Scan also so they know exactly how to coordinate everything to have it installed.

MR. BAZ: Yeah. And, Mr. Chair?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: Also I understand the Parks Department has similar type of equipment for their PALS program that they have to do criminal justice reviews of before they hire employees. So it's I think something that the County is familiar with with the Criminal Justice Center and can work out the details.

CHAIR HOKAMA: So have you already contacted and worked, started work with the Criminal Justice Division?

MR. MUKAI: Yes, we're in contact with them and also with ITS.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Mr. Baz, we would ask that a determination be made sooner than later regarding the need for an IGA consideration.

MR. BAZ: Okay, Mr. Chair, I'll work with our Corporation Counsel to review this agreement and any requirements that may happen because of it. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Any other questions, Members? Your Chair feels that this response that I have requested to the departments should not hold us back. I'm still willing to move this forward. Makes sense for us to move this forward. So the Chair is open to a motion to recommend to Council passage of a proposed resolution entitled Authorizing the Transfer of an Unencumbered Appropriation Balance within the Department of Liquor Control - Liquor Fund, Fiscal Year 2017 Budget; filing of all appropriate communications.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: So move, Mr. Chair.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Second.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Motion by Mr. Victorino, seconded by Mr. White. Members, any other discussion? All in favor of the motion, please say "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Opposed say "no." Motion passes with seven "ayes."

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**VOTE: AYES: Chair Hokama, Vice-Chair White, and Councilmembers Baisa, Carroll, Couch, Crivello, and Victorino.**

**NOES: None.**

**ABSTAIN: None.**

**ABSENT: None.**

**EXC.: Councilmembers Cochran, and Guzman.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**ACTION: ADOPTION of resolution and FILING of correspondence by C.R.**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you.

**ITEM 121(6): AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFERS RELATING TO CATEGORIES OF USE BUT WITHIN A PROGRAM OR DEPARTMENT (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, why don't we move to 121(6). This is also under the Amendments to the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget. This is regarding Department of Public Works. So Mr. Baz has sent us another resolution proposal. So this one has multiple components, Members, from Special Maintenance Fund...Program - General Fund, 283,700 to go from B to C; 30,600 from Traffic Management Program - Highway Fund, Category B to Admin Highways, Category B; 41,000 from Traffic Management Program - Highway Fund, Category B to Road, Bridge, and Drainage Maintenance Program - Highway Fund, Category B; 62,000 from Traffic Management Program. Gosh, I guess we gave this program a lot of extra money. From 134 Traffic Management Program - Highway Fund, Category B to Traffic Management Program Category C. And so far they will explain to us the need for equipment, professional services, and training for the respective programs. Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. And thank you for reading the details of this resolution, it does have multiple components to it, but we decided it'd be easier just to discuss it all at once. The Department has requested this equipment. They have breakdowns and some other needs that the Director can explain that are coming about, and there's probably some extra costs and items due to the recent storm as well. But we can...I don't know if this is involved in that. But, Mr. Chair, so we have Director of Public Works Mr. David Goode here to explain that. We also have staff from the Highways Division here as well.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Thank you, Chair. Good morning, Members. David Goode here, Director of Department of Public Works. Thank you for hearing our request today. The purpose of the proposed amendments are generally to move available funds in our Highways Division budgets generally from the B to C Accounts, operations to equipment. Although there are some funds that are being requested to move to Highways Admin for training and related travel which we'll get to momentarily. In Highways we have both General Fund and Highways Fund. So starting in General Fund, we proposed to move \$283,700 from Special Maintenance Program. This is primarily in our fuel accounts. So the County garage C Account primarily for our big-ticket items, replacement of a recently failed fuel tank at our Wailuku Baseyard. We also have a request for a number of other smaller pieces of equipment. The equipment that's being requested, my staff can get into details with you on, but in general all the equipment that we're asking for relates to efficiency of the way we maintain things, fix our own equipment, and service the public. I do have Leslie Otani who's the Highways Division Chief and our TA'd Highway Superintendent Gary Ambrose here who can answer any specific questions related to the equipment.

CHAIR HOKAMA: All the equipment is replacements?

MR. GOODE: Chair, some is replacements and some is not, some is new, and we can...

CHAIR HOKAMA: Highlight the new ones --

MR. GOODE: I'd have to have...

CHAIR HOKAMA: --and justify, justification.

MR. GOODE: If you have...we'll have to go through it I guess item by item if you'd like, Chair. The fuel tank is obviously a replacement, that's our biggest ticket item that's being requested. There's things like...

CHAIR HOKAMA: Go from Admin. Go from the start. You need 25,000 more for travel.

MR. GOODE: Yeah, so that's in the second part of the request, the Highways Fund request. So in the Highways Fund we're requesting 263,600 from various B Accounts in traffic signs and markings, and traffic signal accounts. We did purchase materials at the end of FY '16, that gave us some cushion, and also some balancing from previous years where we were able to purchase small equipments out of the B whereas this year we cannot. So let's go through the items. Is this the same spreadsheet we're looking at here? So if I could ask my staff to join me, Chair, so we can go through each one.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And then, Members, as we go through each one, if you have a question, please make it known to the Chair and you'll be recognized to ask your concern or question.

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MR. GOODE: Okay. So, Chair, we're looking at the spreadsheet that was provided.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yes.

MR. GOODE: It starts with the Admin.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yes.

MR. GOODE: Additional travel and training. All the, all related travel and training for the Division comes through the Admin budget, so the additional funds being requested are not for, specifically for the Admin, it's for everybody within the Division. We've put a high emphasis this year on training opportunities. We found that specifically as it relates to pavement preservation, the more they learn the better we do. And actually our output like in slurry for instance it's almost tripled. And in sealcoat we're doing a tremendous amount of work on the, Molokai and Lanai. Some of the...what else, we also have CDL training that's going, ongoing. And I think there's something else here. I think I got, ask Ms. Otani to chime in, but those were the big notes I had.

MS. OTANI: Good morning. Leslie Otani, Public Works Highways Chief. I think one of the main things that we're trying to accomplish is training for our outer districts as well, and so the cost to have people coming over from the other islands or sometimes even in Hana, if they have to stay overnight because of multiple days, those are the types of costs we're incurring. And I think that it's important for us to give opportunities to all our staff. And on, some are like Molokai where it's difficult for people to come over during Saturdays for CDL training. The hope is that we can have them come over for a week or several days, do on-the-job training there and then come for the training on island and the certification process on Maui island. So that's a very large part of this, it's not only sending people away but bringing people to Maui for training. And it is in the Admin budget. I try to have very great oversight over the training opportunities and have my secretary perform the travel arrangements so that we can be responsible with our funding. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. So tell the Committee this morning, Ms. Otani, why wouldn't you do training on Molokai and Lanai?

MS. OTANI: Well...

CHAIR HOKAMA: Since they...you've got unique situations on, in each district including East Maui and Hana for Mr. Carroll, why wouldn't you go and do the training in that area so you know what the crew is dealing with and their limitations of what equipment is on each area?

MS. OTANI: In some instances, for example a chainsaw training, we can send someone out, but for the CDL training we need the equipment and the various types of equipment. So it's more economical to have them come to Maui where we can have the training on the large equipment that we have here.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Even if we don't have that equipment on Molokai or Lanai?

MS. OTANI: Well, for the CDL training, there's different types, there's CDL A and B.

CHAIR HOKAMA: No, I'm talking about preservation, slurry'ing.

MS. OTANI: Well, oh, for example for the slurry training, actually many times they have to go to the mainland. So currently we have four gentlemen, two from Wailuku and two from Lanai that are going to be traveling for slurry training, because we do hope to send one of our machines to Lanai so that they can start slurry'ing at the start of next calendar year. So those types of training we actually have to go out of State for.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. We appreciate that response, Ms. Otani, so thank you. I'll ask Mr. White first, questions regarding this portion?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: No questions. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Crivello?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: No questions at this time. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Not for this section. Thanks.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Good morning, Chair. No, not at this time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Good morning.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, no questions. But I'm really happy to hear about training. I think it's very important. We had a meeting here yesterday where that became very evident that we need to do more. So thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: I thought you would make a comment on training. Thank you for that. Mr. Carroll? Thank you. Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No, other than the fact that the slurry seal and the coating because they have done areas such as Wailuku Heights and all that, I've seen the mass improvement. So I can attest that with good training and a crew that knows what they're doing, you get a very excellent job which will keep preservation of

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pavement for another five to ten years. And I think that cost really bears itself out. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Well, I think the Director has seen and I think Ms. Otani knows the Lanai crew has done some really good work. Really good work. I mean the community is very pleased with our employees' output and it looks great, they do a good job. So thank you for that. My only comment on this portion, Members, is I can appreciate what the Department is requesting, and so one of the things I'm going to ask you is consider this but I'm going to put a proviso regarding the travel for Molokai, Lanai, and East Maui. We're going to make sure that what they said is the intent of what we're going to consider. Okay. Drainage Maintenance, Director, 41,000.

MR. GOODE: Chair, for drainage maintenance, even before the storm of September 13<sup>th</sup>, we've had ongoing challenges both in Wailuku River and Kahoma that both of these streams are running constantly now. And so that puts new requirements on us as it relates to how we maintain in those stream environments. We also have, you know, a number of dams, reservoir-type dams primarily in the West Side, some of which also get continued water in them. I think Kahana is one of them. And how we dewater and maintain that will have permitting implications. And so and to make sure we're doing things the right way, we've engaged...we'd like to engage more the help of the consultants, the same ones that help us on, in the MS4 program so we can maintain all these facilities given the fact that we have basically water in them all the time now.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Director. So for the Committee's understanding, when you say this is to, for consultant services to ensure projects are in compliance, these are Capital Improvement Projects you're talking about? You're talking about maintenance projects?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, maintenance projects. We're always maintaining Kahoma, Iao, and the regulated dams like Kahana, Napili 2-3, Napili 4-5.

CHAIR HOKAMA: So currently who does your project management? Is it one of your own employees on this maintenance programs?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, we work both with Engineering who helps prepare maintenance plans which is actually required in the regulated dams and then in consultation with Highways who actually does the work and schedules and then has to deal with whatever comes down the mountain at any given time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Is this tied into the MPO type of projects? Or MPO is...so again, we know MPO is mostly for new Capital Improvement Projects. Does the MPO have anything to do with maintenance of existing projects?

MR. GOODE: No, not in this case. This...MPO is more on the Highways Federal funding, so this would be maintenance of drainage infrastructure.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Well, we know how the Feds are regarding tying in drainage to roads so that's...so currently you're unaware of any impacts through the Federal side on your maintenance?

MR. GOODE: I mean other than the streams are regulated by EPA regulations with the Department of Health would enforce here locally, and any Army Corps which is regulations are more structural in nature, and some maintenance, well actually and maintenance requirements as well.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Mr. Victorino, questions for the Department?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: None at this time. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Carroll, questions for the Department? Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No thanks.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, thank you, Chair, and thank you, Department. So 41,000 basically to be utilized for road, bridge, and drainage in particular, and did you have a set project this is slated to be used at or for? Or is this just generally in that pot to be used?

MR. GOODE: Mr. Chair and Ms. Cochran, this, the total consulting service we need was actually in excess of the 41,000, we had some funds available, we need to supplement that. So we do have a proposal that we'd like to execute. Basically it would, you know, give us the expertise to get any necessary permitting that might be required or modify any permitting. So it's more about, you know, how we do our activities in these wet environments.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. And that proposal is...or the consultation process is in route and this is going to help assist moving that forward or continue the consultation?

MR. GOODE: Yes, absolutely.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. And is that...have we seen that yet or you're just waiting for it to get completed in order to...and will we be seeing it?

MS. OTANI: If I may, so currently we have a contract with Hart Crowser, and they're assisting us with the Iao Flood Control and the Kahoma Flood Control as well as the five dams on West Maui, in West Maui. So what we'd like to do is continue those services. And basically as time goes on, government regulations get stricter and we're trying to comply with them as well as the concerns of the public. Things like no longer spraying herbicide have affected how we maintain, you know, our drainage areas. So we want to continue with having that professional assistance on how to comply with

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the current regulations. And if we do have funding to expand further, looking at our Hana and our Makawao baseyards on how to improve our drainage, you know, things like washing out the trucks and how our actions there may affect the drainage. So those are the key areas. It's mostly in West Maui and in Iao Flood Control but we hope to if we do have sufficient funding, to look at our baseyards in Hana as well as in Makawao.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, very good. Thank you, Chief Otani.

MS. OTANI: You're welcome.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Chair, thank you very much.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Mr. Couch? Ms. Crivello? Okay. Is there a point where you have enough work to justify a E/P? Again, we just asking, you know, you know your operations better, you and Ms. Otani, so have you come to a point where you need a full-time person that deals with Federal regulations?

MR. GOODE: Chair, it's something I guess we would, you know, look at, you know, perhaps for the entire Department. But this type of expertise is fairly limited in Hawaii and most of them work for consultants. So, you know, and anytime we have changes within the way we do things, certainly from our office, we want to look at, okay, what our options, you know. Can we do it in house, is it something that possibly can be done outside? Is it short lived, is it something that we're just going to do for a couple years and learn from and move on, and incorporate that knowledge in house? So those all the considerations we need to take into account.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, we look forward to discussions during the upcoming Budget process. Okay, let's go to your request for the Hana District.

MR. GOODE: Okay. I don't know, one of you guys want to do this? One of you guys?

MR. AMBROSE: Good morning, everybody.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Good morning.

MR. AMBROSE: My name is Gary Ambrose and I am the Acting Superintendent for the Highways Department. As far as Hana, do you want me to go down the list individually or --

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, please.

MR. AMBROSE: --in general? Okay. A lot of the equipment out in Hana averages between 10 to 22 years old. Resources out in Hana, as we all know, are very scarce. So the first one is the welder, the Miller portable welder, that is so that they can do repairs out in the field. Right now their current welder is 22 years old and parts are not available already for repair. Next is an air compressor. There's a request for two of

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them. Both air compressors, one is 17 years old, the other is 22 years old. Again, parts are unavailable. A lot of this equipment has exceeded their life expectancy so they are doing what they can with what they have out there. Next is a 9,000-pound vehicle lift which is also 23 years old. Hydraulic parts for that have been repaired before and now are no longer available. They have a tire machine which is what they use to replace their own tires out there. Again, resources are limited. Their current tire machine is 10 years old, and again parts are unavailable. They also have two 1-inch long shank air wrenches. What these air wrenches are used for is to remove the large nuts that are on their heavy equipment, loaders, dump truck, stuff like that which is needed, 'cause regular air tools will not remove these nuts. They also have an AC recharge station which is currently broken. That is also used to do repairs on all their equipment, heavy equipment and regular vehicles. The tire inflation cage is very important. What that does is when you inflate the tires on the big rigs or on the equipment, you have to put it in a cage, because they're, the rings that are around the rims are known to blow off when you inflate these tires which have killed people before. And then their evaporator smoke machine is to assist in helping find leaks in the air conditioning systems. So that would sum up Hana's list of things.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Ambrose. Are these things the Division asked for the current year and was not included in the original submittal by the Administration? Because for Council this is a very interesting request in this point in time in the fiscal year.

MS. OTANI: If I may, I started at Highways on April 1<sup>st</sup> and so one of the things I did was go through and visit--very often I'm at the districts, very often each district--to find what their needs were. So this is the result of several months of working with the staff to set priorities. Our list is much, much longer than this, but these were the items that were of more immediate need. And so that's why it's here now because it's one of the things that I started in April.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you for that, Ms. Otani. We'll take a break and continue the review of the request. So why don't we take a break till 10:30, Members. . . .(gavel). . .

RECESS: 10:19 a.m.  
RECONVENE: 10:36 a.m.

CHAIR HOKAMA: . . .(gavel). . . Okay, we shall bring this meeting back to order, Members. We are currently on BF-121(6), subheading of the Department of Public Works' requests regarding amendments to Fiscal Year 2017 Budget. So Mr. Ambrose was kind enough to give us a quick summary run-through of the requests regarding the Hana District. And so, and we already heard from Ms. Otani why they're here at this time, so we appreciate her review and her work over her Division. So one thing we are assuming, this is all replacement, nothing is...this is not replacing stolen, misplaced, hidden equipment? Is that a good understanding on our part?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Gotta turn 'em on.

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MS. OTANI: Oh yeah. That is correct.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Regarding some of the things that as a Committee we find interesting, have you reviewed your replacement or your lifecycle program for your Division, Ms. Otani? And I just ask that because obviously you have a 22-year-old compressor, you have a 17-year-old compressor, you have 10-year-old wrenches. Do you have some kind of lifecycle that you would request consideration of replacement or upgrading of equipment?

MS. OTANI: That is exactly something that I would like to do. We have currently a temporarily assigned auto services coordinator, and so what my hope is, at this time he's working on...actually our first step is having accurate asset information, so he's working on updating our asset information. And then we want to move into having that for both our larger tools and our equipment so that we have more of a system in place. But the first thing we're working on is categorizing what we have. One of the other things I try to do before coming here is seeing if we have surplus in one district that I can take to another district. So there's a lot of cross-sharing first that occurs.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Ms. Otani. Mr. Carroll, questions regarding this portion of the request?

COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL: Chair, actually I have no questions 'cause I've reviewed it and I reviewed everything that's come before us and I appreciate Public Works where they've gotten. Next year's Budget, we have some major items for Hana. And the discussion and the question you just asked, it has always been traditional in Hana and the outlying Molokai and Lanai to run something until it dies. There's never been any consideration really for, you know, a lifecycle and how soon we should replace it. And...

CHAIR HOKAMA: Well, Mr. Carroll, I can say that you, previous people from the district, myself, Ms. Crivello and...we've put in the Budget things for our districts that somehow never got to the districts.

COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL: Yes.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, so we're going to work on that, too, Mr. Carroll.

COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL: That is one of the other things I was going to mention that funding for the different districts we really need to scrutinize in what we're getting for our dollar and making sure our dollar is spent in the areas it need. And I will say this for the public and for all the Members, Molokai, Lanai, and Hana actually we need the newest equipment because we are out in the end over there. If something happens, to replace something especially on Molokai and Lanai is really, really difficult and it takes a long time, and Hana is not much better off. Because if emergencies come up and we have equipment that isn't on the newer side and very operational, it can be a real problem. So I appreciate Public Works working with us to...and especially what was

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brought up about the replacement of equipment. I deeply appreciate that and I look forward to working with you in next year's Budget. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Mr. Carroll. Ms. Baisa, questions?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thank you. It's been very informative this morning.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you, Chair. And as you stated, this is very interesting, you know, situation we have here. And so I was trying to figure out what prompted this transferring and, you know, from this account into...and asking for these very small items, in my mind it's you're not asking for, you know, a backhoe or some big, you know, dozer or something. So I'm wondering, is this prompted by the new, you know, the ABC Accounts of sorts, the way things are categorized? So when as previously, you know, you could take from operations let's say and go purchase this air wrench, go purchase these smaller items, but now you really have to have it in that particular account. So is this kind of what's prompting this sort of, you know, transferring and things and why all of this is here today?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Director?

MR. GOODE: Chair? Chair and Ms. Cochran, yes is the short answer. And it's also due to, you know, Ms. Otani's and Mr. Ambrose's work within the Division. It's going around and saying hey, what's...taking stock of everything, where are we at. Granted some of the small stuff just breaks, you can't predict it, but other stuff probably needed to be fixed earlier. But because we can't use excess B funds anymore with the restrictions on the A, B and C movement, and some of these items being over \$1,000, it's considered equipment so we had to come here.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. Yeah, okay. Yeah, I just wanted a little bit more, you know, the general more clarity to the reasoning. And yeah, thank you very much for that explanation. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. And thank you for your question/comment about what we learned yesterday as well. That's my biggest question on all of this, how...I don't know how to deal with this because some of the stuff we learned in executive session yesterday.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Well, try and phrase it --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: --as best you can, and then either Mr. Ueoka will raise a concern to the Chair or if I feel you've...we're straying into privileged information then I'm going to make a ruling.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, thank you. How are you taking a look at all this stuff and making sure that it is being used for what it's being requested? Most...a lot of this stuff looks, you know, like it's the proper stuff to be used, but from what we heard yesterday it's...

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Otani? Mr. Goode?

MS. OTANI: I think that we have a culture now at Highways where accountability and oversight is provided. There's more oversight with those that review our purchases in general, and I think with the management in place there is accountability. So it's actually at a point where I think people are almost self-policing themselves.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, that's very helpful and very good to learn because...okay. Mr. Chair, I'm fine with that answer. And like I said, most of the stuff looks like it's replacement. And as Mr. Carroll said that, you know, the outlying districts especially are in need of new stuff, so I can support pretty much most of this after hearing that answer. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Crivello?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Thank you, Chair. I can support this not only for Molokai but all of our districts especially when you look at old equipment, you know, that needs to be replaced. And then I guess too and maybe it's not so much specifics for this, but do you have training or updated kind of training for your mechanics? 'Cause you have mechanics on the, on our outlying districts too. So is that also included or when you have new equipment? Or is it just to get your CDLs and what have you?

MS. OTANI: It also includes the mechanics. And one of the programs that I've started recently is when we have some type of training on Maui, we combine it with a district meeting and we include the district supervisors and as well as the garage supervisors. And I think it's helpful to them not only in receiving the training but to be able to meet face to face with their counterparts in other districts. And so then what we've also been doing is having cross-training within districts where I had three gentlemen from Molokai come to Maui to get training on use of a tool and on catch basin repair with the Lahaina District. Or we've sent someone to, from our traffic striping from Maui to Molokai to assist. So we do cross-train too.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Okay, thank you. I can see us supporting meeting your needs to service our public. So thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. White?

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VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Thank you, Chair. To what degree do you have the ability to work with the State baseyard out in Hana?

MS. OTANI: Typically our Hana District does work well with them. Mostly it's dealing with landslides and when we have limited resources. So when there's...

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Yeah, actually I'm sorry. I'm most focused, since we're discussing replacement equipment, I'm mostly looking at when you've got repairs like we've got the AC recharge station and a couple of compressors. And I'm just wondering if ours is down, does the State garage have that kind of capacity in Hana or not?

MS. OTANI: I think sometimes sharing equipment between mechanics across governmental agencies is a difficult situation because of, you know, if something breaks and such and who uses it. What we've done in the past is actually pulled from the Makawao District or Wailuku District to provide assistance with...so we try to stay within Highways first before going to the State for these types of tools, because then I provide the overlying umbrella for everyone.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Okay. And the other question I had was these compressors at this price must be high volume and high PSI. How many...I mean if you have one that's 22 years old and one that's 17, do you have another one out there or do you...because it sounds like neither of these are operable or close to being inoperable?

MR. AMBROSE: Right now the two air compressors run their whole shop which includes for heavy equipment, tire machines, air fill station. So they are large air compressors. And right now, they aren't working to their capacity so that's why they're in need of new compressors. And like Councilmember Carroll said, at times they are, you know, almost ran until they cannot run no more. I mean whether you put one, you know, your own homemade belt or whatever it is just to get through, you know, sometimes you don't get what you always need. And they have learned like on the, a lot of the, like Molokai and Lanai they've learned how to deal with what they have. So that's kind of where we're at right now.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: No, I think that's obvious with the age of the equipment that you've got. So I take my hat off to you for making sure that it runs as long as it has. But I guess my question is more towards the, do we need to have 2 of that size or would the shop be able to run with one that's a little larger? You know, for 7,500 instead of 2 for 5,000. I mean it's a small issue and it's not going to, it's not a deal breaker. It's just...

MR. AMBROSE: Right now I think the way their shop is set up, they have one on each side of their shop, and I'm not sure if their...if by adding a bigger compressor their system would be able to handle that as far as the, whether they're running 220 or if they have to go to like a phase-three compressor. I don't think they'd be able to handle that.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Okay. Well, you know, that's something I'm comfortable leaving up to you guys. As far as the AC recharge and the evap smoke machine, how many vehicles

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do you have that you're servicing there between the road vehicles and the off-road machines?

MR. AMBROSE: Right now we have approximately 12 or 13 I believe.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: And is the AC recharge something that it's worth investing that kind of money into if we can have it done in Makawao instead? Or I'm not even sure if Makawao has that equipment, but...

MR. AMBROSE: To my knowledge, Makawao doesn't have that equipment, but they also have more resources out in Makawao than they do in Hana.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Oh yeah, no, it's a lot closer.

MR. AMBROSE: So being that they have to service their own machines out there, I think currently sometimes they have to hire out to come out to service the air conditioners. So yes, that would be very important for them to have that out there.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Okay, thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Thank you. And most of the questions I had were asked already. I guess the only question or the question I have for Ms. Otani would basically...how long will it take you to get this asset list together? Because, you know, the changing of the culture there and a number of other issues I think I'm glad to hear. But again, without the assets inventory and being able to determine the age of all these assets makes it very difficult. And, you know, I see what you said about the B Account and I got that. And I knew that was coming sooner or later. And secondly, you know, we tend to give the outlying districts the hand-me-downs and I know that for a fact. Although lately, lately when I've been to Lanai and Molokai, they get the first crack at new stuff, because you have made it a point, Mr. Hokama and Ms. Crivello and Mr. Carroll. Reminded the departments that hey, we put the money in for a new whatever in Molokai or Lanai and not the hand-me-down from Wailuku or someplace else, and I agree. But with that being said, how long do you think this asset...because once you get that asset list together, it makes it much more palatable to come back to this Council and say hey, this is what we have, this is the age of it, this is the life expectancy of it. Now you can really say hey, we really need whatever, whatever it might be. That cannot be shared on the neighbor islands, the outlying districts. You know because that really is the problem, you cannot send a compressor to Molokai or Lanai like that. You can't put it on the back of the truck and go over. You know when you send it by barge, by...no ferry anymore so that's gone. And Lanai has a ferry but they won't take big equipment. So it really limits that. You know Hana still you can drive but that's a heck of a drive. So my question again, bottom line is what is the anticipated timeframe for you to get this asset list together?

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MS. OTANI: My hope is that we would have an accurate list by the end of the 2017 calendar year. Currently the auto service coordinator that we have, he's in the process of reviewing our contracting and bid process. So right now our purchases and reviewing that process is the priority over the asset, because right now we're doing purchasing based on, you know, things that you already approved and we want to make sure that that's done to the best of our ability. So that's the priority and then we'll move into the assets concurrently and more thoroughly next. So hopefully by the end of 2017.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Would you believe that if an additional E/P was put on even limited term or someone pulled from a certain area that may not be needed, that could expedite this for you and the Department? Adding another person to just focus on this area, 'cause it seems like this a large encompassing area and big money. Even though this may look like small, but it added up to 500 and some odd thousand. So when you start adding these little figures, they become big figures, but it also cuts down on the efficiency of the Department and their personnel. So that would be my question. Do you think having an additional E/P, additional manpower to do this?

MS. OTANI: Yeah. I'm always open to having more help. So that's something that Director Goode is saying we'll discuss further.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Yeah. And I won't be here so, you know, it's just I just making the Chair and the rest of the Committee aware of that. And I think we all understand, you guys come in for E/Ps and we turn them down. But if you have what I call logical and accurate justification for these types of personnel and that can make this whole system run better, run more efficiently, and save us money in the long-term, oh, then I would be one to say yes, but I won't be here to say yes, but I would be one to say yes.

MS. OTANI: We recently did reallocate a position to someone that is helping us in tracking our quantities and assisting the financial analyst from the Director's Office with some of our costs. And that has helped immensely, especially with the flood reimbursements. So that is the direction we are moving in.

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Thank you, Ms. Otani. And thank you, Chair, for allowing me to ask that question.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. We'll move on and being aware of time, Members, I'm just going to go through the districts real fast, so the next one is West Maui. So for us, do you need a specific trailer for the new slope mower we provided you with? And you don't have other equipment trailers that could be utilized for occasional transportation requirements?

MR. AMBROSE: Yes, right now we are going to be acquiring a new slope mower, but we...out in Lahaina they do not have any type of trailer for that mower. They don't have any, actually any small trailers that would be able to fit that mower on top to move that around to the sites.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Why wasn't this requested with the slope mower in the first place then?

MR. AMBROSE: Honestly I can't answer that.

MS. OTANI: If I may, I think during the last Budget session the amount of money that we requested was reduced.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Well, we did reduce certain areas and we did increase definitely other areas. Ms. Cochran, you have questions regarding the items in the West Maui District?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you. Well, in regards to the slope mower, I mean that was an added. I believe that was not...either it was put in, taken out, and then district needed it. I fought hard for it and got it in, but at the time, it wasn't stated or asked that it actually needed a trailer to get it to where it needs to be to do its job. If it was asked, I definitely would have fought for that too and increased and added it in. So it was never asked or stated at the time as far as I can recall.

CHAIR HOKAMA: I remember the discussion on the mower.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yes.

CHAIR HOKAMA: And we had photographs and everything I believe --

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yes.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --that we reviewed and considered.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yes. Yes. So as to why, I think it would go hand in hand that if you have a piece of equipment that you can't get to where you need it to utilize it, that wouldn't make sense. So I would...anyhow, I don't know. But here we are today. I suppose I'm in favor. Definitely that's the reason why for fighting and getting it bought is to be able to use it. So yeah, I'm kind of puzzled on that point too, Chair. But...

CHAIR HOKAMA: Maybe one question for the Committee, the Department, you're asking for just one garage roll up door? Is this 4,000 as we understand it for 1 door?

MR. AMBROSE: Yes.

CHAIR HOKAMA: And that's the only door for that facility or you have additional...

MR. AMBROSE: There are more doors but this door is ripped and is broken. So during high winds, the door does open on its own, and...

CHAIR HOKAMA: So you cannot secure the facility?

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MR. AMBROSE: You can secure the facility to a certain point, but this door during high winds and stuff will open. Not open meaning come up but that ripped section will be open.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, thank you, Chair. Yeah, I mean if that's the case, it sounds like it needs to be utilized. We want to secure the equipment obviously or wherever this, what this is securing. Is this the metal--what do you call those--is that a butler building or whatever when you first drive in on the right? And so it's kind of roll up/roll down type of door. Is this type of door that you're looking --

MR. AMBROSE: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: --that's...okay. And so it can tend to lift or open and...

MR. AMBROSE: No, no. What happens is that I believe it's on the, like the midsection of the door...I mean it's not easily accessible but the door is ripped. I'm not too sure how it happened, but during high winds it will remove itself from the metal track so there'll be a section that is actually open.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay.

MR. AMBROSE: So I believe there are four doors on that bay, but there's one that is, needs to be replaced.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. Yeah, I mean again, you know, Chair, to secure this area is important and unfortunately, yeah, I guess something occurred and now it's not functioning properly. So I understand the need for it. Thank you, Chair.

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

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Carroll, questions? Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Not at this time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. White?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Not at this time. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Crivello?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Not at this time. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Couch? Okay.

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: And sorry, Chair, real quickly.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: And real quickly. So I guess repairing is out of the question? These types of things you can't repair, this type of damage is not repairable --

MR. AMBROSE: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: --versus purchasing new?

MR. AMBROSE: It would have to be replaced. It's not able to be repaired.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. Yeah, just a thought. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you for that. We'll go to Lanai. Department, any comments? No comments? Okay. Members, any questions? Lanai has three items under proposal. Welding machine, concrete saw...no, it's a walk behind...can you explain that, the walk behind, the saw?

MR. AMBROSE: A walk behind saw is, it's like a saw on a cart, and what that does it enables you to cut straight lines for a long distance. Usually you would use like a handheld saw, concrete saw for small jobs, but if you're going to take out a section of sidewalk or asphalt that is like, you know, 30 feet long, it makes no sense to use a handheld one, so this would be a walk behind. It gives you a nicer cut. You can adjust the height --

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, this is an external --

MR. AMBROSE: --of the saw.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --thing then, Mr. Ambrose?

MR. AMBROSE: Yes.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah? It's not at the baseyard, this goes to the job site?

MR. AMBROSE: Yes.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Got it. Got it. Okay. And explain to us wire feed welding machine please, or wire feed.

MR. AMBROSE: The wire feed is just a welder that uses wire. It's something that they can take with them onto jobsites when they have repairs that need to be done.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. So is part of your assessment, Ms. Otani, is reviewing how each district is equipped and supplied so that you can make better operational adjustments?

MS. OTANI: Yes, sir. It starts with listening to the districts and so these are the things that when I asked, they approached me with. I would like to say that having portable welders is very important. We are getting more requests from Risk Management to fix the drain grates that are common in a lot of areas. With the increase in bicycle use, it's sometimes if there's, especially if there's a lot of saltwater, there's corrosion and we have to go back and we have to repair the grates and, you know, along Front Street or in Paia, you know, Paia certain areas, so portable welders are extremely important.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you for that comment, Ms. Otani. Members, anyone has a question for this area? Okay, we'll move on to Wailuku. Now, why wouldn't this be a CIP request, the 150,000 for a brand new fuel tank? Mr. Baz?

MR. BAZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. It could be purchased, it's an acquisition of equipment so it could be purchased in the Capital Program or in the operating budget under Category C. So it's really either one.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Does it make a difference for your depreciation --

MR. BAZ: No.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --schedules?

MR. BAZ: No, Mr. Chair. Anything in the C budget is capitalized typically by the Department of Finance so it doesn't matter whether it's in the Capital Program or in the Appendix C or Category C.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Department, you got some nice requests here. Any comments before I ask the Members for their questions or comments please? What's...

MR. AMBROSE: We have from the Wailuku garage, a 9,000-pound hoist which is for vehicles to be replaced. Currently the one that they have leaks so the lift does drop at times. So this is a safety factor. And then the new mobile post lift is so that they can do rubbish trucks, dump trucks. Any type of large vehicles, when they need to lift it up in the air, currently they have no resource for that. So basically all of the repairs are done by a hydraulic jack and laying on the ground. And I don't know if you've seen but a lot of the parts on these large equipment is heavy so it will help them both to be efficient and safer with this lift. And the good part about this lift, it can be moved around, it is mobile. So that wouldn't...right now the repairing these big trucks takes up valuable space in the shop. So this way this lift can be moved around to where it wouldn't be taking up space.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Anything on the tank please?

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MR. AMBROSE: On the new fuel tank...oh, do you want to answer that? Oh. On the new fuel tanks, what happened is that currently our diesel tank ruptured. There's a hole in the secondary tank which it leaks on the ground. So that tank has been out of use for some time, and what we want to do is take the three tanks that we currently have, one diesel and two gas and turn them in...put just one diesel and one gas, and increase the capacity of fuel for both. And being that we provide probably 70 percent of the fuel for all of the County vehicles, you know, including lifeguards, Parks, we also supply the diesel for the generators for this building, we find it very important to have it done as soon as possible.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Mr. Victorino, questions regarding the request?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Well, I can see that these are very important and necessitated changes, and really more replacement than anything else. There's nothing new I can see here. As far as the tank, I don't want to...I would hope we don't wait too long because we don't want a spill or a leak and then have that issue, especially in the area where these tanks are, are in close proximity to schools, to residential, to...and also commercial. And so a leak now would not be very good for the County, so I hope that we can expedite these areas, especially the tank and the heavy equipment because I really believe these are necessitated. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Carroll, questions? Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Not at this time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Couch? Ms. Crivello?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Not at this time. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. White?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: No, they appear justified to me. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Do we currently have any violations regarding HAZMAT materials or onsite safety concerns?

MS. OTANI: We have a consultant that is, has been reviewing the situation, so right now we have the tank empty, it is contained. I do want to add that the new tank that we would like to get or tanks would have additional features. We're not going for the highest-end tank where we would be notified by text, but it would have alarms that would sound in our labor station if there's something of a fuel leak. So the new tanks we hope to bring us, you know, in compliance with future regulations as well.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: What are you currently doing since you had to shut down your diesel tank, for diesel requirements?

MS. OTANI: We have, we had two gasoline tanks and so one is being used for diesel and the other for gasoline, but there is a concern that all these tanks were purchased approximately the same age so we could have a second tank go down at any time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Are these tanks movable after installation?

MS. OTANI: No, these are fixed.

CHAIR HOKAMA: So in case we do move the baseyard, we would need another set of new tanks?

MS. OTANI: Oh, that kind of...oh, I'm sorry. I thought you meant if they were portable to go from one district to another. I think that if we did move locations, those are the types of things we would take with us, definitely.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. What's your estimated life expectancy? What are you projecting, 20 years, 10 years?

MS. OTANI: I believe it was 20 years.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Twenty years. Thank you for that, Ms. Otani. Anything in the Wailuku District, Members? If not, we'll move to traffic signs and markings. Department, give us...help us understand an MRL thermoplastic pre-melter.

MR. AMBROSE: Okay, what this is for is for striping. It's a hot thermoplastic process which requires a melter, applicators and dies for this system. And what it does is there's a material that's put into the machine, it gets heated up, melted, and then it gets laid down as striping on the road.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, okay. So you need...and so the thermoplastic applicator and the pre-melter is to be viewed...well, everything I guess yeah? Is all of these components, one...two...three...four...five, a part of one thing and that it's just five different pieces of the big puzzle?

MS. OTANI: It's all for the striping that goes down on the roadways, yes. But it's different types of equipment. So you buy the hot pot separately and then you need the dies. So like things like crosswalks and such there's dies that go down so that they can put the...not quite paint but similar to paint, to put the product on the ground. So these items are in support of the pavement markings we see on the roadway.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Tell us about the torches please so we can understand . . .*(inaudible)* . . . versus the pre-melter.

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MS. OTANI: Okay. So the torches actually, you know, there's buttons that, the white buttons and such that are on the roadway, and so these torches will help to affix those smaller products on the roadway or it can be used if you have a single crosswalk. What we were hoping for was to send two torches off-island, one to Lanai and one to Molokai, and that is actually where I became more involved with the budget because it was just over \$1,000, we had to go through the C budget. But it's to put down things like the buttons and smaller areas.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Coat application of your road markings, I'm trying to understand your dyes [sic] comment yeah. Because you're doing hot application, the coloring fades faster compared to cold application. So what's the problem with cold application?

MS. OTANI: So the cold application which is used somewhat but we've been moving more back to the hot thermo, it's more of a paint. And it typically might last a year or longer versus the hot thermo which will last in excess of seven to ten years. Also, with the cold product if there's slight drizzle or any type of moisture, they have to cease work where with the hot thermos, we can still work in less favorable conditions. So it's a better product and it's more efficient. Just as an example, our performance measure for the fiscal year is I believe 10,000 lane miles of striping and with the hot thermo with our recent movement to that, we put down in excess of I believe 17,000 miles. So we're getting a lot of striping done, and this will help us to do even more.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you for that, Ms. Otani.

MS. OTANI: Oh, I'm sorry, lineal feet, not miles. Excuse me.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Wow, you was getting us excited.

MS. OTANI: Yeah. I'm very proud of the Highway staff.

CHAIR HOKAMA: I would say we can challenge Mayor Caldwell's numbers. Mr. White, any questions in this area?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: No, I think the explanation has been good and I totally respect the Division Head's fighting for her...fighting for equipment for her staff to make sure that they, they're spending their time well out in the field.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Well, we've been hearing for many, many years about the, our roads so this is good things. Mr. Victorino, questions, sir?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No, no questions other than to say congratulations to the Department and Ms. Otani. I think their explanations, like Mr. White has said, not only cover the gamut of what needs to be done but how important it is to get done. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Carroll, questions? Ms. Baisa?

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COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No questions but my thanks to the staff for a lot of good background work that was needed for today so we could understand. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Not at this time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch? Ms. Crivello?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: No comments but...I mean no questions but I want to comment that I can appreciate the fact that you're doing a lot of replacements for safety for the employees, and that's I think should be number one. So thank you for looking after your employees.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Under the next component, give us some comment about the conflict monitor tester please.

MR. AMBROSE: Okay. What this does is that when the lights go out, this tester makes sure that there isn't a conflict of light. Say they put a yellow flashing light which means, you know, slow down, to make sure that the opposite side light doesn't flash something else. So this conflict monitor makes sure that you don't have a conflict of message when your light is reset or put into safety mode. And currently the tester that they have is not working correctly, and this is something that's very important, you know, a test that needs to be done.

CHAIR HOKAMA: So have we been cited, are we in violation? Have we been given notice of concern or something from OSHA if the current monitor doesn't work?

MS. OTANI: It has been stressed to me by the Traffic Signal staff that this is very important. I'm not sure if there's been any types of fines or anything associated with it. They have tried in the past, this is one item that they submitted a request as a B budget item that was not approved, and so it's of the utmost importance that we do have it done and correctly.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Mr. White, questions?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: No, thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Crivello?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: No, thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: No, thank you.

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CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Cochran? Ms. Baisa? Mr. Carroll? Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: None at this time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, let's wrap up with Molokai requests.

MR. AMBROSE: Okay, they're requesting a utility trailer. Currently the one that they have is out of service. They need this trailer...now that they are expanding with sealcoat and roadwork, they need a trailer for their forklift and also their roller. As far as the generator, they need that for work that's being done onsite, currently they don't have one. They've been doing a lot of sidewalk repairs which would need electricity for their mixers, for their hand mixers and for their saws and tools that they need onsite. The walk behind grinder, again, roadwork, what that does is that removes any high spots in the road so they can have that ready to be resealed. Currently they don't have one. And then their diagnostic equipment for their shop is actually next to the trailer probably the most important that they need. The problems they've been having on Molokai is they have acquired a lot of new equipment. The thing is, with the new equipment being from different vendors, the software to maintain and to troubleshoot these equipment are all different, and what's happening is that they don't have the software or the equipment to do any of the repairs or diagnostics themselves. So as of recent, they've had to bring in people from Maui to do that which will end up costing more money.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Ambrose. So we see you're asking us for two trailers. There is not one trailer that can handle your needs on Molokai, you need two?

MR. AMBROSE: No, this is just one. It's a six-to-seven-ton trailer.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, so this 7,000-pound trailer is not part of the request? Okay, got it. Sorry. It's under a different category, pavement preservation. Sorry, Mr. Ambrose. Ms. Crivello, questions on the four things for Molokai?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: I just need more clarification so...for the diagnostic soft...the different softwares or the intent is to have one set or...

MR. AMBROSE: What happens is that you have a vendor, say John Deere, Cat, Komatsu. Each one will require their own software. They don't sell one that you can do it all. And the thing with this too is that their software is only good for like 3 to 4 years. So every 3 to 4 years, you need to update, and in order to update you need to buy the new software. Part of this 20,000 is the computer you need to run the software. So the actual updates every 3 to 4 years aren't this much. They usually run anywhere between 3,000 to 5,000, but that's something that you have to do. That that's, you know...

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COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Yeah, I appreciate you doing that, but so for each vendor we would have to then every four, three-four years or whatever purchase new soft, updated software? I mean that's how they get us, but, you know, yeah.

MR. AMBROSE: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: So I guess down the road is there any consideration or does something like that exist that you can have the same vendors or do you...is it because the type of equipment varies?

MR. AMBROSE: We have tried to stay within say one vendor, but the requirements as far as what you're looking for, your specs, not all the vendors can meet that so that's how you end up with multiple --

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Vendors.

MR. AMBROSE: --vendors.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: I see.

MR. AMBROSE: That goes the same with cars, with dump trucks, with water wagons. It's just some things that some vendors aren't able to do that you need.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: So and then, Chair, so in reference to the sidewalk repairs, does that...are those new equipment that they're working on the sidewalk is that in our Kaunakakai Town?

MR. AMBROSE: They...we just went to Molokai a week and a half ago, and they have been doing a lot of catch basins. I'm not exactly sure, it's near the airport in subdivisions, and that's what they need all that, the portable generator. They've been also doing a lot of slurry seal.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: At, on County or at the airport area or is that part of the maintenance roads, the roads that we maintain part of Department of Hawaiian Homes?

MS. OTANI: Yeah. Actually I think they typically have two areas that they have in process where they can do the sealcoating. One would be in more the Hawaiian Homes area and they also have a place in town. So if one area rains then they go to the other area to work. So right now I don't think that they have a lot of projects in Kaunakakai itself.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: They should. I mean they do.

MS. OTANI: No, yeah, but or that they've been actively there.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: It should be addressed.

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MS. OTANI: But these are the types of things that I think would improve, you know, the idea of if you're bending down cutting with a handsaw versus standing up and being able to saw or grind, these are the areas where we're trying to improve so that we can do more work in more critical areas as well.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: No, no, I appreciate the work you folks do, and if it's equipment that you need to do that, I support that. I'm just asking whereabouts are the sidewalks where the actual work is being done?

MS. OTANI: So right now was more in the Hawaiian Home area where there was catch basin repair, but, you know, the idea is to do in the more populated areas moving forward as well.

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Okay. All right. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Is this also something from Risk Management regarding work comp issues? You know posture and everything else, weight of equipment?

MS. OTANI: It hasn't come to us from them but hearing the staff, there's concerns. And if I could even though it's a little grotesque, even things like having the lift for the garbage trucks, because sometimes there'll be things like maggots and other items in the truck. So these are things that the staff has brought to our attention that we are sensitive to.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, good. Thank you. Mr. White, questions?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: No questions. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No, and just appreciate that comment. That brought home what I really don't think is really something I'd want to deal with, but I understand that's the facts. So thank you for that comment. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Carroll, questions? Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thanks.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Thank you, Chair. And the, that computer, you know, upgrading, upgrading, upgrading. Is that like do the mechanics need to go through now additional training in order to utilize the new software programs, whatever they're called and diagnostics? Is that like an ongoing, you know, updating your mechanics also?

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MR. AMBROSE: As far as running that updates, the initial use of that computer is the same. The only difference is the information on the equipment is what changes. So they usually do not have to have training for that.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, yeah, very good. But I understand, I got...I like my old vehicles of the '60s and '70s versus the new models just 'cause of the computer issues. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch? What thing did I want to ask you about. Well, I gotta think about it. Your last one is under your, this 7,000-pound trailer, Department. Can you give us some comment on this request please?

MR. AMBROSE: Sorry. For pavement preservation, currently they do not have a trailer, and what we're trying to...well, the trailer's intent is for the mechanism that is in the back of the slurry machine. What happens now is that you need a loader to lift it up onto a trailer, and that all needs to go out to your jobsite which encumbers a lot of people. So what they're trying to do is get a trailer that can be pulled by the slurry truck which would not need an additional loader or additional people to satisfy that need. It can all be done by itself. So the truck is capable of lifting the mechanism in the back onto a trailer and lifting it off, and also it can be towed behind that same truck. So we're just trying to be more efficient and cut out all the middle people.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you for that. Mr. Victorino, any questions?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: No, thank you. I appreciate the comments. None at this time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Mr. White?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Thank you. Just so that I understand, this is a piece of machinery that is when you're doing the slurry seal is attached to the back of the truck?

MR. AMBROSE: Yes. There is an attachment in the back with augers, so when the material is released from the tank, the augers spread that material out on the road.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Right.

MR. AMBROSE: So what happens is that right now because of the size of that box, we need a loader and a trailer and a truck to pull that trailer. This way with this small trailer we can actually do everything with the slurry truck itself --

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Yeah.

MR. AMBROSE: --so we can eliminate all that extra stuff.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: I'm just...I think I understand. So the truck operates with that piece of machinery on the back --

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MR. AMBROSE: Yes.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: --and so when you're pau, you need to put it on a trailer because it can't just be...it can't remain attached when the truck's driving.

MR. AMBROSE: Yeah, you cannot.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Okay, I got it. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I have no questions on this, just a comment on the overall is that a really good job by the Division Chief now to get some more accountability and...in this section. So really appreciate your comments and the work you've been doing. Thanks.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Cochran, anything at this time?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: No, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Carroll? Okay, couple things I just wanted to quickly bring up. Under Molokai, your portable gas generator, this gotta be...this is a pretty decent size at \$12,000 for it. So this is...what is your...this for, to run your baseyard for a short term until regular power returns?

MR. AMBROSE: No, what this would be used for is onsite work, run power tools, run mixers, run the welder.

CHAIR HOKAMA: So we're not looking at something portable, this is something like on wheels? The capacity and...

MR. AMBROSE: You could...it would be either on a cart or you could mount it on the back of a truck. Can be used in many different ways.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. And then regarding the grinder, just so that the Committee is clear, we know that every island deals with it slightly different. So on Molokai, our understanding is the sidewalks in Kaunakakai are private ownership, that is not the County's sidewalks. Is that a good understanding of the Committee? Mr. Goode?

MR. GOODE: Yeah, Mr. Chair, if I could answer that. Yes, it's my understanding that I'd say the majority of the sidewalks in Kaunakakai Town are privately owned. It's just the

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nature of the way some of the property lines are. Not dissimilar to parts of Makawao Town --

CHAIR HOKAMA: Wailuku Town.

MR. GOODE: --and Paia.

MR. BAZ: And Wailuku.

MR. GOODE: Oh, and Wailuku Mr. Baz is telling me.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, okay. 'Cause I know some of the Members...I have phone calls about why do we allow certain things on the sidewalks, and I have to explain that is not County sidewalk, it's a private property owner's sidewalk, portion of the sidewalk. Okay. Any...so I just wanted to have some clarification for the community that I think only on Lanai most of the sidewalks is the County's. Molokai we have some private and County. Maui we have private and County. Any questions on this area, other questions, Members? If not, what I'm going to do, I've already talked to the Director, I'm going to defer this. We are going to work with Corporation Counsel on the revision to the resolution regarding some of the clauses to ensure that what was presented to the Committee is placed within the language of the approval to ensure implementation as presented to the Committee. Any questions for the Chair? And then I will post this for end of this month. We have another meeting end of this month. The request by the Department is a resolution so we need just one reading by Council, that would be scheduled for December working with the Chair's Office. Any questions for the Chair regarding disposition of this item for today, Members? If not, with no objections, we'll defer this item.

COUNCILMEMBERS: No objections.

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTIONS. (excused: DG).

**ACTION: DEFER pending further discussion.**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Otani, Mr. Ambrose, we appreciate your support for the Committee this morning. We appreciate your responses and comments to the questions, so thank you very much for your assistance. Thank you, Director. Okay, we are going to do one last item before we adjourn, and it's going to be a very quick, broad cursory review. And then, Members, just for your information, should you want, under the Committee we also have under BF-12, the heading is Annual Inventory Report. We have a County Communication 16-243. This is from the Director of Finance, informing us of the detailed records regarding County property for the period ending June 30, 2016, are available for inspection in the Department of Finance. So we are going to eventually see if there's a difference between what Finance lists as inventory versus the departments, I guess, new asset management listing.

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Chair?

CHAIR HOKAMA: So I just share that with you. Yes, Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: What was the name of that report you just said?

CHAIR HOKAMA: It's under BF-12, Ms. Cochran, and the heading is Annual Inventory Report. It's under CC 16-243.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, you're welcome. Okay, Members, the final item we have for today is BF-129 under the heading of Concessions and Sponsorships in County Parks and Recreational Facilities. We have the Deputy Director with Mr. Baz this morning.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Mr. Chair?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yes, mister...

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Point of order.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yes?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Are we skipping 128?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Excuse me. Oh, thank you for that.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: We need to take care of one more before we hit Deputy Savage. So we'll ask her for bear with us. Thank you for that reminder, Mr. Couch. I was remiss.

**ITEM 128:        AMENDING    THE    FISCAL    YEAR    2017    BUDGET:**  
**DEPARTMENT    OF    PARKS    AND    RECREATION**  
**(HANA-KEANAE-KAILUA PARKS SYSTEM) (CC 16-271)**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Let me bring you back to 128 first, Members. This is a Department of Parks and Recreation, subheading is the Hana-Keanae-Kailua Parks System. This is regarding an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget. And from Mr. Baz, we have a bill for an ordinance under 16-271, pertains to Appendix C. And in this there is a Capital Improvement Project for the Hana District. And we'll allow Mr. Baz to give his opening comments regarding this request.

MR. BAZ: Thank you, Mr. Chair. So the Department of Parks and Recreation has an FY '16 project that needed a little bit of additional money to get the project done, and they're

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able to take that out of the Hana-Keanae-Kailua parks system. So the request this morning is to change the language of Appendix C for that project to add Hana Ballpark dugout painting and reroofing to the description that is now being required to be fulfilled. So we do have our Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation, Ms. Brianne Savage here to discuss the details of this.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you, Mr. Baz. Ms. Savage, any comments regarding this request?

MS. SAVAGE: Thank you, Chair. Just some additional information, this project was put out to bid, we were expecting to use the rest of our Fiscal Year '16 funds. When the project came in, the cost was a bit more than what we have left available so we'd like to be able to use those remaining Fiscal Year '16 funds and then pay the difference out the Fiscal Year '17 parks systems. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Carroll, questions, sir?

COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL: No questions. I'm aware of it and I support it, and I would hope the Members would support adding this in. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: No, thanks.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Cochran?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, Chair, so is this in regards to the 170,000 for the dugout? Is that what this particular part is in regards to? Is that right?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Director Savage?

MS. SAVAGE: Thank you, Chair. That is correct. So the remaining amount left in the Fiscal Year '16 parks systems is less than that. So we need to be able to supplement that and need this language in the description in order to do that.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah. Okay, that's fine. But I guess I've been getting queries in regards to the cost, and this \$170,000 is in particular just for painting and reroofing of a dugout?

CHAIR HOKAMA: Department?

MS. SAVAGE: Thank you, Chair. No, so there's a couple of things being built into this. There's one of the dugouts that'll have a new roofing and painting. The dugout on the first base side will be removed and placed closer to the fence line, the actual playing field fence line, and so that'll be a complete rebuild. And then there's some additional fencing and painting on just, again, those buildings that are all there in that same area. So it's not just one dugout that's being painted and reroofed.

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Okay. So a completely new one or removal of one and a building of a new?

MS. SAVAGE: Yes. So one of the dugouts will be removed and placed closer to the field fence line, and then the other dugout will be just reroofed and repainted. And the scorekeepers' booth will be reroofed and repainted as well with some additional fencing.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: The chain link type fencing?

MS. SAVAGE: Correct.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Tall...okay. Okay, yeah, that explains a little better 'cause it was like whoa, what in the world, this is a little pricey. So okay, thank you very much. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Couch? Ms. Crivello? Mr. White?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: No.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. Victorino?

COUNCILMEMBER VICTORINO: Not at this time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Any other questions by the Members for this request? Anything else, Ms. Savage, regarding the request?

MS. SAVAGE: Nothing additional.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. I'm open to a motion to recommend to Council passage on first reading, be ordered to print A Bill for an Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget for the County of Maui as it Pertains to Appendix C - Capital Improvement Projects, Department of Parks and Recreation, Hana Community Plan Area, Hana-Keanae-Kailua Parks System; filing of the communication; and allowing Staff to make any nonsubstantive changes to the ordinance.

COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL: So move.

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: So moved. Oh, second.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, I'll have a motion by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Mr. White. Members, any further discussion? Having none, all in favor of the motion, please say "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Opposed say "no." Motion passes with eight "ayes."

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**VOTE:       AYES:       Chair Hokama, Vice-Chair White, and Councilmembers Baisa, Carroll, Cochran, Couch, Crivello, and Victorino.**

**NOES:       None.**

**ABSTAIN:   None.**

**ABSENT:    None.**

**EXC.:       Councilmember Guzman.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**ACTION:     FIRST READING of bill; and FILING of communication by C.R.**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you very much.

**ITEM 129:    CONCESSIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS IN COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES (CC 16-273)**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, we are now on the last item for the day, and thank you for your patience. I'm aware of the time, Members, and I promise you will get out of here before the clock strikes noon. So what I would like to do is just have the Department give some comment. If you have some general questions or comments, I will ask you to if you want to share it, share it this morning, but we all know this is a start of a multi-meeting review of a proposal to consider concessions and sponsorships. And right now it's under County parks and recreational facilities, but I believe if we do it right, we can expand this so that it's...will encompass any County facility in the future, even places like this building for consideration or in the districts if it makes appropriate sense. So at this time, I'll ask first Mr. Baz if he has any comments he'd like to share, and if he has none then we'll ask Ms. Savage from the Department to give some general comments.

MR. BAZ: No, Mr. Chair. The proposed bill is...we're happy that you're reviewing this for discussion. As your Budget Director, I'm happy that, anytime we can receive additional revenues.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you. Ms. Savage, any general opening comments? Again, we know this is the first of many meetings on this, so.

MS. SAVAGE: Thank you, Chair. So just in kind of a general review of the proposed changes, I think the opportunity for us to be able to generate more revenue that's not

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based directly off of the General Fund and the tax base is an exciting opportunity that we're looking forward to in the Department. There's been a lot of just internal discussions at this point with different opportunities that might exist if there was some enabling legislation. One of the areas we were able to meet briefly with Finance Department a couple of times to talk about what can currently be done versus where would we need potential enabling legislation in different areas? And what are the things that we can just then do to improve our administrative process through procurement as it exists? And we identified that a lot of the things that would make more sense both for Finance and the Parks Department are things that we can do administratively. And so we would look to both I think the sponsorship side, the opportunity where we could do more partnership-driven sponsorship opportunities. And possibly even see if donations to some extent could be included into this, 'cause those are both processes right now that are very time consuming for us to go through. And a lot of people that are interested in sponsoring or donating are turned off by the amount of time that it takes for us to sometimes go through the process to then realize the gift that they want to be able to give in different areas. So those would be two areas that we would hope we could look at a little bit further and possibly see if those tie in to kind of a concession, sponsorships, and donation process within the Department. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you, Director. And again, Members, part of your...the reason I've worked on this proposal for you to consider is again, finding ways of, besides General Fund, of how we can find the financial resources to move our departments forward in programs and services, including improved operations. One thing I will say that I've heard this morning more than once in different meetings is please allow the industry to participate. That is my intention. I think we need that input from those that are professionals in that area of business in the private sector, but also to ensure the community that as a public asset we have a mission to ensure that the public's use of their asset is maintained as well. And so, Members, I'm open to allow you to give some comments at this time quickly. So we'll start with you, Mr. Couch.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you, Mr. Chair. This is a great start and I really appreciate the Department and you, Mr. Chair, coming up with this. You know and I'll preface this with it, I'm on the board of the Boys and Girls Club of Maui and I also try to speak for some of the other youth centers as well. Those organizations, I believe all the youth centers are on Maui County property, most of them anyway. I have some concerns on how some of this, especially in 13.04A.420 may affect them. Certainly I know the Central Maui Boys and Girls Club charges for parking for the fair when it comes, and I know that's a County-sponsored thing so that may or may not be affected in here. But they also, all the other youth centers, most of the other youth centers have...they sell their kids snacks so does that fall under this prohibition now? Would that fall under or can we throw something in there to make sure it doesn't fall under that? They also sometimes at events will sell concessions potentially. For instance, I think if they have something like the roller derby at one of the things, they might be able to sell concessions at that.

CHAIR HOKAMA: So you're asking for --

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COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: I don't know...

CHAIR HOKAMA: --something more like a, the ability for them to like a sublease, subcontract?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: They do that now. It's not really a sublease. They have that, you know, certainly the snacks for their kids, that's part of their program. But for instance the Central Maui one, they have a lease that has, gives them the use of that facility for things like that. So that's some of the things that we probably want to look at in there. And in that same section, I was just...just out of curiosity, what is a coin-operated insurance vending machine? Do those exist, A, and B, where can I find one? 'Cause I...I was just curious what that was. Anybody know what that is? All right.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Maybe it's like the one in the airports before you jump on the plane.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Oh, could be. Yeah. So that also, you know, 13.040.420E talking about parking charge prohibited. You know if that's the case where again these youth centers might charge for something, for an event that's near their facility, is it...will that be prohibited now if it's not a County-sponsored event. That's what it looks like. And lastly...well, no, I have a few more but real...I'll yield on this, after this. In .440(2)(a), I don't know if we want to be that strict as far as that saying sponsorship agreements may not include use of County name, seal, or other insignia. We may want to be a cosponsor potentially or something like that. So I'm just pointing those out to see if we want to tweak that a little bit. I have a few more but I'll pass because of the time.

CHAIR HOKAMA: And again, Mr. Couch, you know, we don't have much time today, but I know you went through the bill and so we're happy to receive additional comments from you in a manner that suits your need. So we appreciate that. Ms. Cochran, any comments at this time?

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Yeah, thank you, Chair. And I guess I was really highlighting one of the written testimonies it looks like from David Dorn of Action Sports Maui, and he raised in reference to the CORA permits and how this is lumped in. And the CORA existing permittees see some potential I guess conflict here or what have you. This is their...so I just wanted to really make...look into this a little more and see where perhaps there could be or, you know, if there really is or not, and if so to address it. But I think that's one of my main concerns at this time just with the very preliminary overview at this time. So, you know, other than that, Chair, nothing too detailed. But hopefully we can bring this up again and really hash out all those details. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR HOKAMA: And I appreciate your comments. And that is why I say we are going to allow industry to participate actively and give their input on the proposals and revisions.

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COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Good.

CHAIR HOKAMA: I expect revisions.

COUNCILMEMBER COCHRAN: Good.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Ms. Baisa?

COUNCILMEMBER BAISA: Thank you very much, Chair. I think that Mr. Couch brought up a lot of the things that were on the top of my list so I'll just wait until we take this up again. And I do agree, it's going to take a lot of work 'cause there's just so many facets of this question. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Carroll? Mr. White?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Thank you, Chair. I too, I like the direction that we're headed in. There are places in the parks system where we're generating a significant amount of concession revenues through the lease at Helene Hall in Hana and the golf course and so forth. So I do feel it's responsible for us to look for ways in which to generate additional revenues to offset the cost of providing the park services. At the same time, as came up in our conversations with the CORA operators, we need to make sure that we're adding to the, you know, adding to the facilities to make their operations better. And so that would be part of the balance I think we need to look at. As we're looking for ways to generate more revenue, we also have to look at the fact that we are behind in providing some of the necessary upgrades to make the parks more functional for residents and also more functional for those that are permitted to use that for commercial purposes. So I think this is a healthy direction into which we should move and yeah, at the same time, it's going to require a lot of work. So thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Ms. Crivello?

COUNCILMEMBER CRIVELLO: Thank you. I...the only...I...as we continue this conversation or dialogue, it'd be important for us to get out into the community and to allow what our, for them to participate in what kind of plans we have. And especially in the smaller areas, you know, it all differs and especially when we have youth programs. And if we're going to say for part of the concessions you need to just sell this particular item because of that's who has responded RFPs or whatever that's part of the concession, I think overall consideration. Because we need to understand that not one size fits all on that part, that's what makes our County quite unique. Though I do see the advantages of us going through this process and considering the concession approach. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. And again, we, we'll get you additional information. We know that the city, our sister City and County of Honolulu already has pouring rights. They've already established as a revenue generator Hanauma Bay where there's a fee to enter that city park, City and County park. And that they bring seven digits of

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revenue back. So again, my thing is it's a good review for us to see if something makes sense for this County to move forward in. Part of the...again, you definitely know I'm going to ask for the deferral, but one of the things that I will say is there are parts of the Code besides the proposal where we have very similar type of languages, especially in Chapter 3.40. So in the meantime I will be working with Corporation Counsel to ensure that we do not create more conflicts or confusion in the Code by stating multiple places, conflicting language. And that is one of the things that as your Chair, I will be working with the Department of Parks as well as Corporation Counsel to address areas of the Code that is similar but in another section. Are there any questions for your Chair or things you would like us to follow up in the meantime, Members? Mr. Couch?

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Thank you. And in the second to last section--I don't have my thing open--I just wanted to point out that to say that the Director of Parks is going to be involved. You don't say anything about or their designee. It just says Director of Parks so it limits it to the Director of Parks. Just you might want to --

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, thank you for that.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: --consider that. And then at the Board of Variances and Appeals, you talk about the usual reasons for variance and appeal but you appear to have left out the hardship. Usually that is another item for possible appeal. Don't know if you did that on purpose or not, but there was a thing that allows for hardship in normal variances and appeals.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay, we can review that --

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Yeah.

CHAIR HOKAMA: --portion, Mr. Couch.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Mr. White?

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Thank you, Chair. And your mentioning the pouring rights reminded me of something. My understanding from the read of the bill says that the things like pouring rights and coin-operated machines and so forth are exempt from the bidding process. And I'm...I don't know if I was reading that correctly, but if the awarding of pouring rights is outside the bidding process, I think that may be a...that would be a problem for me. I think that's something we would want to --

CHAIR HOKAMA: Yeah, we'll make sure that...

VICE-CHAIR WHITE: --you know, go through that process.

CHAIR HOKAMA: We'll review that portion again, Mr. White.

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VICE-CHAIR WHITE: Okay, thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: We want to be able to capture the maximum if we do go to a proposal, RFP. Okay, anything else, Members? If not, with no objections, we'll defer this Item 129.

COUNCILMEMBERS: No objections.

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTIONS (excused: GB, DG, MV).

**ACTION: DEFER pending further discussion.**

CHAIR HOKAMA: Okay. Ms. Savage, anything you want to add before we conclude?

MS. SAVAGE: The one thing we didn't mention was that this also establishes the Enterprise Fund a little bit later, and that would be one of the key things that would be critical for us to move in this direction. Thank you.

CHAIR HOKAMA: Thank you. Okay, anything else, Members? Having none, thank you very much. This meeting is adjourned. . . .(gavel). . .

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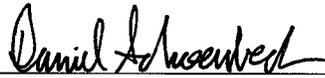
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