

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

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

December 16, 2016

**Committee
Report No. _____**

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

Chair and Members:

Your Economic Development, Energy, Agriculture, and Recreation Committee, having met on November 29, 2016, makes reference to County Communication 16-83, from Council Vice-Chair Don S. Guzman, transmitting a proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE HAWAIIAN CULTURAL RESTORATION FUND."

The purpose of the proposed bill is to establish a fund for the deposit of all proceeds from parking concessions located on County property in Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii. The funds deposited shall be used for the preservation and restoration of Hawaiian historic and cultural artifacts and sites in the County, including the Mokuhinia Ecosystem Restoration Project.

Your Committee notes the Department of the Corporation Counsel transmitted a revised proposed bill, approved as to form and legality, entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE HAWAIIAN CULTURAL RESTORATION REVOLVING FUND."

The purpose of the revised proposed bill is to establish a fund for the deposit of all proceeds from the parking concession located on property under the control and management of the County or the County's designee on the area identified as tax map key (2) 4-6-007:036 in Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii. The funds deposited shall be used for the preservation and restoration of Hawaiian historic and cultural sites and artifacts relating to Moku'ula and the ponds of Mokuhinia.

Your Committee notes restoration on the site has been ongoing since 2013. Presently, Cultural Surveys Hawaii, Inc. is performing an

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archaeological inventory survey to be completed by the end of 2016. The restoration work is planned to be accomplished in phases, with phase one commencing upon approval of the survey.

Your Committee further notes the Council appropriated \$400,000 for Fiscal Year 2017 for the first phase of the restoration, although the estimated cost for the phase was \$700,000 originally. The Chair of your Committee said the fund, as appropriated by the Council, could be an additional source of project financing.

Your Committee decided to amend the revised proposed bill to provide that the fund will be reviewed by the Council annually and appropriated in the Budget process.

Your Committee voted 6-0 to recommend passage of the revised proposed bill on first reading and filing of the communication. Committee Chair Guzman, Vice-Chair Cochran, and members Couch, Crivello, Hokama and White voted "aye." Committee member Victorino was excused.

Your Committee is in receipt of a further revised proposed bill, approved as to form and legality by the Department of the Corporation Counsel, incorporating your Committee's recommended revisions and nonsubstantive revisions.

Your Economic Development, Energy, Agriculture, and Recreation Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That Bill _____ (2016), as revised herein and attached hereto, entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE HAWAIIAN CULTURAL RESTORATION REVOLVING FUND," be PASSED ON FIRST READING and be ORDERED TO PRINT; and
2. That County Communication 16-83 be FILED.

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

DON S. GUZMAN, Chair

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