

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 91 AND 92, PART 1, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED; NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A PUBLIC MEETING OF THE COST OF GOVERNMENT COMMISSION (“COGC”)

**COST OF GOVERNMENT COMMISSION  
AGENDA**

Thursday, September 10, 2020

10:00 a.m.

Meeting Site: Online Only via Blue Jeans\*

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**STAFF**

Gary Murai,  
Deputy Corporation Counsel  
  
Shelley Pellegrino,  
Technical Writer for the Commission

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BOARD PACKETS: Documents on file with the Commission, which may include correspondence relating to the agenda items below, are available using the following link:

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Documents are also available via hyperlinks on this agenda.

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The requirements of Chapter 92, HRS, have been suspended under Governor Ige’s Twelfth Supplementary Proclamation issued on August 20, 2020 ([https://governor.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/2008089-ATG\\_Twelfth-Proclamation-COVID-19-distribution-signed.pdf](https://governor.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/2008089-ATG_Twelfth-Proclamation-COVID-19-distribution-signed.pdf)).

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**II. ROLL CALL**

**III. PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

**IV. DISCUSSION WITH MOANA LUTEY, CORPORATION COUNSEL, REGARDING ACCESS TO PUBLIC DOCUMENTS FILED IN COUNTY CIVIL LITIGATION**

**V. PRESENTATION BY BOBBIE PATNODE AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE AG WORKING GROUP, REGARDING AG USE VALUATIONS FOR PROPERTY TAX**

- Documents to Review

1. [September 3, 2020 Email from Michael Williams, Chair, Cost of Government Commission, to Bobbie Patnode, Ag Working Group, Regarding Ag Working Group Presentation to Cost of Government Commission on September 10, 2020](#)
2. [Document entitled, "Selected Real Property Statistics for Budget Consideration, Fiscal Year 2020 – 2021," prepared by County of Maui, Finance Department, Real Property Assessment Division](#)

**VI. REVIEW AND APPROVE [AUGUST 13, 2020 AND AUGUST 27, 2020 MEETING MINUTES](#)**

**VII. REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

- [August 12, 2020 Transmittal from Sandy Baz, Managing Director, to Michael Williams, Chair, Cost of Government Commission, Regarding "Use of Federal Opportunity Zone Tax Subsidies to Finance Wailuku Parking Structure"](#)

**VIII. COUNTY AUDITOR'S UPDATE**

**IX. TEMPORARY INVESTIGATIVE GROUP (TIG) UPDATES**

- A. Enforcement of Short-Term Rental Laws (Chair Williams and Commissioner Barbadillo)
- B. Capital Improvement Project Budgets of Department of Water Supply and Department of Environmental Management (Chair Williams, Vice-Chair Del Rosario, Commissioner O'Neil)
- C. Wildfire Costs and Responsibility of Private Landowners (Commissioner Heiskell, Commissioner O'Neil)
- D. Homelessness Issues in Maui County (Commissioner Werth, Commissioner Lankford-Faborito, Chair Williams)

**X. INVESTIGATION (NON-TIG) UPDATES**

- A. Private Financing of the Wailuku Parking Garage Via Opportunity Zones (Chair Williams)
  - 1. Review and Possibly Approve Proposed Report Recommending that the County Issue a Request for Proposals Seeking Private Investors
- B. Information Technology Issues (Commissioner Simmons)
- C. Access to Public Documents Filed in County Litigation (Chair Williams)
- D. County Real Property Tax Policies Regarding Agricultural Lands (Chair Williams)

**XI. UPDATE ON POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF COMPUTER FOR TECHNICAL WRITER AND TRANSCRIPTION SOFTWARE**

**XII. DISCUSS OTHER POTENTIAL TOPICS TO REVIEW AND ESTABLISHMENT OF TEMPORARY INVESTIGATIVE GROUPS (TIGS)**

*Discussion and possible action regarding the establishment of Temporary Investigative Groups (TIGs) to review and investigate the below listed subjects, appointment of members, and setting of the parameters and scope of the investigation and review.*

**XIII. DETERMINE NEXT MEETING DATE AND AGENDA**

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

The Board may consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities. Therefore, as needed, the Board may consider an item in Executive Session pursuant to the Sunshine Law. HRS §§ 92-4, -5(a)(4).