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COUNTY OF MAUI, STATE OF HAWAII

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAUI POLICE COMMISSION

MARCH 17, 2021 AT 2:01 P.M.

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REGULAR MEETING

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APPEARANCES

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

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- Frank De Rego, Jr., Chair
- Roberta Patnode, Vice Chair
- Janet Kuwahara
- Randol Leach
- Matthew Mano
- Mark Redeker
- Emmett Rodrigues
- Eugene Santiago (left at 3:24 p.m.)
- Sharen Sylva

STAFF PRESENT:

- Chief Tivoli Faaumu
- Jennifer Oana, Deputy Corporation Counsel
- Amy Lau, Commission Secretary

1 (MARCH 17, 2021, 2:01 P.M.)

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10:50:28 3 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Call the meeting to order at  
10:50:28 4 2:01 p.m. I'll do the roll call now. Vice Chair Bobbie  
10:51:29 5 Patnode.

10:51:30 6 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Here.

10:51:32 7 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Janet Kuwahara.

10:51:37 8 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Here.

10:51:39 9 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Randol Leach.

10:51:43 10 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Here.

10:51:45 11 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Matthew Mano.

10:51:48 12 COMMISSIONER MANO: Here.

10:51:51 13 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mark Redeker.

10:51:54 14 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Present.

10:51:56 15 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Emmett Rodrigues.

10:52:05 16 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Here.

10:52:07 17 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Eugene Santiago.

10:52:13 18 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Present.

10:52:18 19 (Background noise.)

10:52:22 20 CHAIR DE REGO: And Commissioner Sharen Sylva.

10:52:27 21 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Here.

10:52:28 22 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Thank you very much.

10:52:39 23 Okay. We'll have public testimony now. Written  
10:52:43 24 and/or oral testimony must relate to an item on the agenda.  
10:52:50 25 Testifiers will state their name and what agenda items they

10:52:58 1 will be testifying on for the record. There's a maximum time  
10:53:04 2 of three minutes per agenda item.

10:53:09 3 So, Amy -- and I think the instructions are to let  
10:53:13 4 Amy know that you want to testify in the chat room. So, Amy,  
10:53:25 5 is there anyone who has indicated they would like to testify?

10:53:32 6 MS. LAU: I don't show any chat messages yet.

10:53:41 7 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. We'll give them a few  
10:53:45 8 seconds.

10:53:51 9 (No response.)

10:53:52 10 CHAIR DE REGO: Have we received any written  
10:53:54 11 testimony, Amy?

10:53:56 12 MS. LAU: No, we have not, Chair.

10:54:00 13 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Thank you.

10:54:07 14 (No response.)

10:54:08 15 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Seeing that there's no one  
10:54:11 16 wanting to testify at this moment, without objection, I would  
10:54:17 17 like to close public testimony.

10:54:22 18 (No response.)

10:54:22 19 CHAIR DE REGO: Hearing no objections, we can move  
10:54:24 20 on. Okay.

10:54:28 21 I'd like to now move on to the recognition of out-  
10:54:33 22 going Commissioners Santiago and Sylva. I'm going to call  
10:54:45 23 them by their first names. I've never met you in person. By  
10:54:53 24 the way, this is like a -- kind of really heartfelt for me. I  
10:54:59 25 wish I could be in the same room with you guys. I mean, you

10:55:05 1 know, you guys have been just so wonderful in terms of being  
10:55:10 2 able to be with us and to be a part of our deliberations.  
10:55:14 3 It's not easy volunteering for a commission, especially the  
10:55:18 4 police commission, where there's a lot of work to be done for  
10:55:28 5 public service so we can both, you know, serve our community  
10:55:35 6 with the fine people who are a part of the police department  
10:55:39 7 as well as serve our community by being a voice for the  
10:55:46 8 community outside, so -- of the department.

10:55:53 9 So I want to thank you for your service for the  
10:55:58 10 commission. I want to wish you well in all your pursuits in  
10:56:04 11 the future. The mayor has sent certificates commemorating  
10:56:09 12 your service, and our office will forward them to you. It's  
10:56:19 13 unfortunate, due to COVID, we're not gonna have what I heard  
10:56:24 14 is our traditional lunch. This is the second time I'll be  
10:56:30 15 missing that, too, since I've only been here during COVID.  
10:56:36 16 Right? So -- but we will give you a rain check, how's that?  
10:56:42 17 We'll give everybody who left last year and this year a rain  
10:56:48 18 check, and we'll make sure we get back to you once we're able  
10:56:52 19 to meet with one another.

10:56:55 20 I'm gonna give commissioners a chance, who have  
10:57:00 21 worked with them over the last five years, to say anything  
10:57:09 22 they would like to say, and then, finally, give you two the --  
10:57:14 23 a chance to say something. Okay? So any other commissioners  
10:57:21 24 would like to say something about or to Commissioner Santiago  
10:57:28 25 and Commissioner Sylva, go ahead.

10:57:34 1 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: (Gesturing.)

10:57:35 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Go ahead, Vice Chair Patnode.

10:57:40 3 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Hi, Gene and Sharen. I just  
10:57:45 4 wanted to say thank you for how wonderful you were to me when  
10:57:52 5 I first became a commissioner. I was so impressed. Sharen  
10:57:58 6 looked so serious at the beginning, I didn't know what to  
10:58:02 7 think, but then -- then we went on a tour of the Kihei  
10:58:07 8 Station, and you were so wonderful and friendly, and it was --  
10:58:10 9 you know, and I think 'cause we were out of the meeting room,  
10:58:14 10 maybe it was easier, but that was just wonderful, so that made  
10:58:18 11 me feel welcome, and I just wanted to say thank you very much.

10:58:25 12 And, Gene, I think you've done -- in my time anyway,  
10:58:30 13 I just think you've been a wonderful commission member. You  
10:58:35 14 went off to the conference, and you came back with a wonderful  
10:58:40 15 conference report, and you even brought us all presents, and  
10:58:44 16 you just made me really feel happy that I was part of the  
10:58:44 17 commission.

10:58:51 18 Both of you have been just wonderful, so thank you  
10:58:57 19 very much.

10:59:06 20 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Thank you, Bobbie.

10:59:13 21 CHAIR DE REGO: Any other of the commissioners would  
10:59:16 22 like to --

10:59:17 23 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: (Gesturing.)

10:59:19 24 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Redeker and then  
10:59:21 25 Commissioner Leach after him.

10:59:24 1 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Yeah, Gene and Sharen, I  
10:59:27 2 really want to say thank you very much. You guys have had  
10:59:31 3 some very good input, you've had some very good ideas and very  
10:59:36 4 good discussions, and I'll tell you, no matter what you're  
10:59:39 5 doing in the future, anyone would be very, very fortunate to  
10:59:46 6 have you guys working with them in going through various  
10:59:51 7 decision-making processes. Thank you both very, very much.

10:59:56 8 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Thanks, Mark.

11:00:08 9 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

11:00:10 10 COMMISSIONER LEACH: I'd like to thank --

11:00:13 11 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach, go ahead.

11:00:17 12 COMMISSIONER LEACH: -- Gene and Sharen for making  
13 my two years as chair run really smooth, that was appreciated.  
14 Also, I'm going to miss talking sport with Sharen; I'm gonna  
15 miss the ono grinds from Gene. And as Chair Frank said,  
16 you're welcome back to visit at any time in our meetings. So  
17 it's been a pleasure knowing you, and that's one of the  
18 advantages of being on a board or commission, meeting the  
19 wonderful people in our community. And I just want to say  
20 thank you for allowing me to meet with you and work with you  
21 on the commission.

11:01:11 22 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Thank you, Randol.

11:01:11 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Commissioner Mano, go ahead.

11:01:20 24 COMMISSIONER MANO: Sharen and Gene, I just want  
11:01:29 25 to thank you guys for last year with the new guy there, the

11:01:36 1 chair, the other one. But I just want to thank you guys for  
11:01:40 2 all you guys have done for the commission. You guys have  
11:01:44 3 brought a lot of knowledge to the table, both of you. And  
11:01:50 4 being picked up by Eugene every time I was getting to Maui was  
11:01:59 5 a great effort also. So I just want to thank you guys and  
11:02:03 6 hope to see you guys in the future. Aloha.

11:02:15 7 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Aloha. Thanks, Matt.

11:02:19 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Anyone else like to say  
11:02:23 9 something? Okay. So I'm gonna leave it up to you and Sharen,  
11:02:30 10 Eugene and Sharen, to close this up. So let's -- let's let  
11:02:43 11 Sharen start us off. Go ahead, Sharen, say anything you'd  
11:02:48 12 like to say.

11:02:49 13 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Yes. I want to thank everybody  
11:02:49 14 for working with us. I mean, it's been -- the pandemic's been  
11:02:49 15 a strange year for everybody, but it was great. We had a  
11:02:49 16 great team, and, yeah, I look forward to seeing everybody  
11:02:49 17 around town someday soon, and, yes, I'll miss all of you, I'll  
11:03:17 18 miss all of these meetings. Thanks very much.

11:03:17 19 CHAIR DE REGO: Eugene.

11:03:20 20 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Hello, everybody. Oh, my  
21 God, I never thought it was gonna be this emotional. Like  
22 Sharen, I just want to thank everybody, you know, for the work  
23 that you guys have done and how everybody's worked together.  
24 It's been a great experience. This is my first time being on  
25 an actual commission, but I really appreciate working under



1 the leadership, past and present, but also working with some  
2 great, great, great commissioners who have done great work in  
3 providing insight and helping our police department to strive  
4 and succeed. I'm gonna miss Matt, picking him up at the  
5 airport in the mornings, and going to our meetings. I'm gonna  
6 miss all of you and our morning meetings we had in the chief's  
7 office -- in the chief's conference room, and I'm gonna miss  
8 all the good grinds that you guys always brought in the  
9 morning for our meetings. But, likewise, I look forward to  
10 connecting again and wish everybody well. Thank you so much.

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11 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Go ahead Sharen, again.

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12 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Yeah. I also wanted to thank

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13 Amy for all the work that she's done. She's made it easy for  
14 us to, you know, have these meetings and, you know, getting  
15 everybody together. So I really want to thank Amy for her  
16 work on this. And also, I want to thank the chief for all of  
17 his -- his team in giving us -- keeping us informed on what's  
18 going on in the community. Thank you.

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19 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Thank you very much.

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20 CHIEF FAAUMU: Can I say something?

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21 CHAIR DE REGO: You popped up on the screen, Chief.

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22 Did you want to say something?

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23 CHIEF FAAUMU: Yes, I did. Just to acknowledge

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24 Commissioner Sylva for acknowledging our service. And I do  
25 have the certificate and the letter from the mayor that -- I

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11:05:51 1 don't know if you want to -- Mr. Chair, if I can just read the  
11:05:55 2 letter from the -- from the mayor to both commissioners, if I  
11:06:02 3 may?

11:06:04 4 CHAIR DE REGO: Oh, that's a great idea. Thank you,  
11:06:06 5 Chief. Go on.

11:06:11 6 CHIEF FAAUMU: Okay. This is for both  
11:06:13 7 commissioners, Commissioner Santiago and Commissioner Sylva.

11:06:19 8 On behalf of the people of the County of Maui,  
11:06:22 9 please accept my deepest appreciation for your dedication and  
11:06:28 10 service as a member of the police commission. Your efforts  
11:06:32 11 and contribution have made a positive difference in our  
11:06:40 12 community. I truly believe it is important for citizens to  
11:06:45 13 participate in our government and would like to commend you  
11:06:48 14 for your time, energy, resources, and insight for the benefit  
11:06:57 15 of Maui County.

11:07:00 16 I hope this positive experience will encourage you  
11:07:09 17 to continue to participate on the board -- on other boards and  
11:07:14 18 commissions in the future. Furthermore, please share your  
11:07:23 19 experience with others who may be interested in serving on the  
11:07:27 20 Maui County boards and commissions.

11:07:30 21 Once again, thank you for making Maui County no ka  
11:07:30 22 oi.

11:07:44 23 Sincerely, Michael P. Victorino, Mayor of the County  
11:07:54 24 of Maui.

11:07:55 25 Thank you. And I do have the certificate, and I

11:08:04 1 will make sure that I pass it on with my coin to Ms. Lau at  
11:08:10 2 the end of the meeting. Thank you, Chair.

11:08:13 3 CHAIR DE REGO: Thank you, Chief.

11:08:16 4 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Will you be mailing the meal  
11:08:22 5 vouchers as well?

11:08:24 6 (Laughter.)

11:08:26 7 CHIEF FAAUMU: I think Amy will do that.

11:08:37 8 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Just kidding.

11:08:39 9 CHAIR DE REGO: We'll go on Open Table, right? Oh,  
11:08:45 10 that was a good one.

11:08:46 11 Well, like I said, we're gonna make sure all of the  
11:08:51 12 commissioners don't miss out on the kaukau. Right? So  
11:08:57 13 we'll make sure -- once we're out of COVID, hopefully, we'll  
11:09:02 14 plan something. Okay?

11:09:06 15 Okay. So anyone else?

11:09:10 16 (No response.)

11:09:10 17 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Well, thank you very much  
11:09:14 18 again, Commissioner Santiago and Commissioner Sylva, for all  
11:09:19 19 your hard work over the last five years. Boy, five years must  
11:09:34 20 have gone fast, yeah? It's just -- it's amazing.

11:09:39 21 Okay. Good. So now let's move on to 5, Election of  
11:09:51 22 Police Commission Chair For Commission Year 2021 to 2022.

11:10:02 23 Okay. So the chair will ask for a motion to open nominations  
11:10:07 24 for chair.

11:10:11 25 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: (Gesturing.)

11:10:12 1 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. I see Sharen, you raised your  
11:10:16 2 hand. Go ahead.

11:10:18 3 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Yeah. Yes, I -- I'd like to  
11:10:21 4 nominate you, I think you would do a good job.

11:10:25 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay, okay. We're gonna go by  
11:10:36 6 (inaudible). We need a motion first to open the nominations,  
11:10:39 7 but I think you're making a motion for chair first. Can we  
11:10:46 8 have a second?

11:10:52 9 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: (Gesturing.)

11:10:53 10 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Redeker has seconded  
11:10:55 11 the motion to open nominations for chair. The motion was made  
11:11:01 12 and seconded. We'll take a roll call vote to open the  
11:11:06 13 nominations, and then we'll -- we'll go on to the nomination.  
11:11:11 14 Right? Okay. So Vice Chair Patnode.

11:11:15 15 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Aye.

11:11:16 16 CHAIR DE REGO: Vice chair -- I mean, Commissioner  
11:11:21 17 Kuwahara.

11:11:22 18 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Aye.

11:11:23 19 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

11:11:26 20 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Aye.

11:11:27 21 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano.

11:11:29 22 COMMISSIONER MANO: Yes.

11:11:31 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Redeker.

11:11:33 24 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Yes.

11:11:34 25 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Rodrigues.

11:11:37 1 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Yes.

11:11:38 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Santiago. Yes?

11:12:02 3 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: (Gesturing.)

11:12:04 4 CHAIR DE REGO: Yes. Okay, okay.

11:12:13 5 Commissioner Sylva.

11:12:15 6 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Aye.

11:12:16 7 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Good. And the chair votes

11:12:21 8 aye as well.

11:12:22 9 So now we entered -- we opened for nominations.

11:12:34 10 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: (Gesturing.)

11:12:37 11 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Commissioner Sylva.

11:12:40 12 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Okay. I nominate you for --

11:12:45 13 yes, for that position.

11:12:48 14 CHAIR DE REGO: Thank you for the nomination. Okay.

11:12:57 15 Is there a second to the nomination?

11:13:05 16 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: I second.

11:13:08 17 CHAIR DE REGO: Mister -- Commissioner Redeker,

11:13:11 18 Commissioner Redeker seconds. His hand was up first.

11:13:17 19 Commissioner Redeker seconds the motion. Okay, okay.

11:13:25 20 So I guess are there any other nominations on the

11:13:28 21 floor?

11:13:36 22 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: (Gesturing.)

11:13:41 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner -- okay. Go ahead.

11:14:00 24 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Yeah. I'd like to nominate

11:14:03 25 Commissioner Redeker.

11:14:07 1 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. That sounds good. There's a  
11:14:12 2 second nomination for Commissioner Redeker. Do I hear a  
11:14:18 3 second?  
11:14:22 4 (No response.)  
11:14:22 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Do I hear a second?  
11:14:26 6 COMMISSIONER MANO: Mano. Second.  
11:14:31 7 CHAIR DE REGO: Oh, Mano seconds. So there's --  
11:14:36 8 Commissioner Redeker has been nominated and there's been a  
11:14:40 9 second.  
11:14:41 10 Okay. Any other nominations?  
11:14:49 11 COMMISSIONER MANO: No.  
11:14:50 12 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Do I hear a motion,  
11:14:54 13 therefore, to close nominations?  
11:14:59 14 COMMISSIONER MANO: (Gesturing.)  
11:15:00 15 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Commissioner Mano has made a  
11:15:05 16 motion to close nominations. Do I hear a second?  
11:15:13 17 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: (Gesturing.)  
11:15:14 18 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Commissioner Kuwahara  
11:15:17 19 seconded the motion to close nominations. We'll do a vote,  
11:15:24 20 okay, on closing the nominations. Commissioner -- Vice Chair  
11:15:30 21 Patnode.  
11:15:30 22 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Aye.  
11:15:32 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.  
11:15:34 24 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Aye.  
11:15:35 25 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

11:15:38 1 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Aye.

11:15:39 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano.

11:15:40 3 COMMISSIONER MANO: Aye.

11:15:42 4 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Redeker.

11:15:44 5 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Aye.

11:15:45 6 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Rodrigues.

11:15:47 7 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Aye.

11:15:49 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Santiago.

11:15:52 9 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Aye.

11:15:54 10 CHAIR DE REGO: And Commissioner Sylva.

11:15:57 11 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Aye.

11:15:58 12 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So what we're gonna do is

11:16:02 13 we're going to take the votes for either candidate in the

11:16:08 14 order they were made, so we'll start with the nomination for

11:16:15 15 Commissioner De Rego to be chair for the year twenty --

11:16:26 16 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Chair.

11:16:27 17 CHAIR DE REGO: Yes.

11:16:29 18 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Can we have a discussion on

11:16:32 19 this?

11:16:33 20 CHAIR DE REGO: Yes. Go ahead. We'll -- yeah.

11:16:37 21 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: I just wanted to add

11:16:39 22 comments to this. You know, I do appreciate your leadership

11:16:44 23 as well and the reason why I nominated Mark, you know, Mark

11:16:48 24 has been on the commission for X amount of years now, and he

11:16:52 25 has shown he has great, great strengths in, you know, wanting

11:16:58 1 to make positive changes. Not that you haven't in any way,  
11:17:02 2 but I'd like to see Mark kind of help push, you know, the  
11:17:08 3 commission forward with some of the very hard issues that we  
11:17:12 4 have to deal with. And I know Mark is very candid with being  
11:17:23 5 able to go forward and, you know, addressing or at least  
11:17:28 6 sharing his concerns on some of these matters, and that's just  
11:17:34 7 one -- you know, one of the reasons why I also, you know,  
11:17:38 8 nominated Mark. But I do appreciate, you know, your  
11:17:42 9 leadership as well, Chair.

11:17:45 10 CHAIR DE REGO: Thank you. Thank you very much.  
11:17:47 11 Sorry about forgetting the discussion.

11:18:05 12 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: (Gesturing.)

11:18:09 13 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Sylva.

11:18:12 14 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Yeah. I want to say that I  
11:18:22 15 nominated you because you have been very thorough about  
11:18:27 16 everything, so I appreciate that and that's why I nominated  
11:18:31 17 you for the position.

11:18:37 18 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Any other --

11:18:39 19 COMMISSIONER MANO: (Gesturing.)

11:18:41 20 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano.

11:18:43 21 COMMISSIONER MANO: (Gesturing.)

11:18:50 22 CHAIR DE REGO: Oh, okay. Does anybody else have  
11:18:53 23 any --

11:19:00 24 (No response.)

11:19:01 25 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So like I said before, so



11:19:04 1 we'll close discussion. Let's have the vote. We'll start  
11:19:09 2 with me, Commissioner De Rego, for being commission chair for  
11:19:16 3 commission year 2021 to 2022. Okay. So I'll go down and you  
11:19:26 4 can say either a yea or nay on that. Okay?

11:19:31 5 Vice Chair Patnode.

11:19:34 6 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Yea.

11:19:35 7 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.

11:19:38 8 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Yea.

11:19:39 9 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

11:19:45 10 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Yea.

11:19:49 11 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano. You've got to  
11:19:54 12 open your mic.

11:19:56 13 COMMISSIONER MANO: Aye.

11:19:58 14 CHAIR DE REGO: Aye. Okay.

11:20:02 15 Commissioner Redeker. Commissioner Redeker.

11:20:06 16 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Yeah, I agree.

11:20:09 17 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Commissioner Rodrigues.

11:20:12 18 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Yea.

11:20:13 19 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Commissioner Santiago.

11:20:18 20 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: I'll have to say -- you  
11:20:21 21 know, this is so hard because if I say no --

11:20:27 22 CHAIR DE REGO: That's fine. It's all --

11:20:30 23 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: (Inaudible) say no. Yeah,  
11:20:36 24 yeah, I'll go with the majority and I'll just -- I don't know  
11:20:41 25 if this is unethical for me to nominate and then go against my

11:20:47 1 nomination, but I will go with the majority.

11:20:49 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay.

11:20:50 3 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: It's okay, Gene. It's okay.

11:20:58 4 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Yea.

11:21:01 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Yea. And I'll vote yea, just to  
11:21:08 6 make it unanimous.

11:21:09 7 I want to thank -- I would like to commend  
11:21:16 8 Commissioner Redeker as well for also being available to be  
11:21:23 9 the chair of the commission. It's not an easy job, but he's  
11:21:27 10 been on the commission once, and he's also made contributions  
11:21:32 11 to this commission since I've been here. So I want to thank  
11:21:37 12 him also for being willing to serving as chair.

11:21:39 13 Okay. And I want to -- and this is a job of  
11:21:45 14 service. I have no -- no -- let's put it this way: Everybody  
11:21:54 15 has a chance to say what they want here and, you know, if you  
11:21:58 16 had voted no, I would have not taken it personally, because  
11:22:03 17 you saw you wanted to take the commission in a different  
11:22:07 18 direction or maybe have different leadership during this time  
11:22:10 19 and I don't take that personally. I never take these things  
11:22:14 20 personally, so -- but I just wanted to say thank you very much  
11:22:18 21 for your support, but we have nine people that I think could  
11:22:25 22 have led this commission -- right? Or at least seven, because  
11:22:28 23 two are leaving -- into the next year because you are all very  
11:22:33 24 fine people, have outstanding qualities, and have the  
11:22:37 25 community in mind. So I just wanted to make that point as

11:22:41 1 well, so -- so thank you very much. I appreciate it.

11:22:44 2 Okay. So let's move on to election of police  
11:22:51 3 commission vice chair for the commission year 2021 to 2022.

11:22:57 4 The chair will ask for a motion to open nominations for vice  
11:23:01 5 chair, and then we'll move on to nominations.

11:23:01 6 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: (Gesturing.)

11:23:04 7 CHAIR DE REGO: So, Commissioner Kuwahara asks for a  
11:23:09 8 motion to open nominations. Do I have a second?

11:23:16 9 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: (Gesturing.)

11:23:17 10 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Sylva seconds the  
11:23:19 11 motion to open nominations for vice chair. Any discussion at  
11:23:28 12 this point?

11:23:29 13 (No response.)

11:23:29 14 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. I'm gonna go down and we're  
11:23:34 15 gonna vote for opening nominations. Vice Chair Patnode.

11:23:39 16 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Aye.

11:23:40 17 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.

11:23:43 18 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Aye.

11:23:44 19 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

11:23:46 20 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Aye.

11:23:47 21 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano.

11:23:49 22 COMMISSIONER MANO: Aye.

11:23:51 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Redeker.

11:23:53 24 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: (Gesturing.)

11:23:59 25 CHAIR DE REGO: Aye. Okay.

11:24:01 1 Commissioner Rodrigues.

11:24:03 2 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: I just have one thing to --

11:24:09 3 I mean, I'm confused. I thought we were voting for both the

11:24:14 4 chair and the vice chair already. Okay.

11:24:16 5 CHAIR DE REGO: No, no, no. We just voted for me.

11:24:20 6 Okay?

11:24:23 7 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Okay.

11:24:25 8 CHAIR DE REGO: I haven't asked for nominations for

11:24:31 9 vice chair. We're taking this one at a time. Thank you for

11:24:36 10 the clarification, Emmett. Okay.

11:24:38 11 Commissioner Santiago.

11:24:41 12 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Aye.

11:24:42 13 CHAIR DE REGO: Aye. Okay.

11:24:44 14 And Commissioner Sylva.

11:24:47 15 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Aye.

11:24:47 16 CHAIR DE REGO: And I say aye as well, so the

11:24:50 17 nominations are now open, so you can nominate.

11:25:02 18 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: (Gesturing.)

11:25:03 19 CHAIR DE REGO: Go ahead, Commissioner Sylva.

11:25:06 20 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Yeah. I nominate Bobbie.

11:25:10 21 She's been doing a great job as vice chair, so I nominate

11:25:21 22 Bobbie.

11:32:20 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Do I hear a second to the

11:32:23 24 motion?

11:32:25 25 COMMISSIONER LEACH: I'll second that.

11:32:26 1 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach second --

11:32:37 2 Commissioner Leach seconds the motion to nominate Commissioner

11:32:49 3 Patnode.

11:32:50 4 Okay. Are there any other nominations?

11:32:57 5 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: (Gesturing.)

11:32:58 6 CHAIR DE REGO: Yes, Commissioner Redeker.

11:33:02 7 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Move to close nominations.

11:33:06 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So it's been moved to close

11:33:09 9 nominations. Do I hear a second?

11:33:14 10 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: (Gesturing.)

11:33:17 11 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara closes the

11:33:20 12 nominations -- seconds the motion to close nominations. We'll

11:33:27 13 take the vote. And I guess we can also vote on -- this also

11:33:34 14 votes on vice chair. Can we do that?

11:33:41 15 Where's our corporation counsel? Can we just vote

11:33:49 16 on closing nominations and electing Vice Chair Patnode?

11:33:54 17 MS. OANA: You can do that as long as it's -- the

11:33:57 18 motion is clear.

11:33:59 19 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay, okay. So we're going to close

11:34:02 20 nominations and vote on Commissioner Patnode's nomination.

11:34:11 21 Okay? So Vice Chair Patnode.

11:34:18 22 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Aye.

11:34:19 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.

11:34:23 24 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Aye.

11:34:24 25 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

11:34:25 1 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Aye.

11:34:26 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano.

11:34:30 3 COMMISSIONER MANO: (Gesturing.)

11:34:33 4 CHAIR DE REGO: Oh, that's a thumbs up. Okay.

11:34:36 5 There we go. So that's aye.

11:34:38 6 Commissioner Redeker.

11:34:41 7 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Aye.

11:34:42 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Thumbs up as well, aye.

11:34:44 9 Commissioner Rodrigues.

11:34:46 10 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Aye.

11:34:47 11 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Commissioner Santiago.

11:34:52 12 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Thumbs.

11:34:54 13 CHAIR DE REGO: Thumbs up. Okay.

11:34:56 14 Commissioner Sylva.

11:34:58 15 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Aye.

11:34:59 16 CHAIR DE REGO: And if I had three thumbs, I would

11:35:04 17 give three thumbs up, so aye on the chair for Commissioner

11:35:12 18 Patnode. So congratulations, Commissioner -- Vice Chair

11:35:18 19 Patnode once again. So thank you very much.

11:35:22 20 Would you want to say something? Go ahead.

11:35:27 21 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Yeah. I want to say thank you

11:35:29 22 to Commissioner Sylva for the nomination and also thank you to

11:35:33 23 my fellow commissioner for your vote of support for me being

11:35:39 24 vice chair another time. Thank you very much.

11:35:39 25 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: And thank you for accepting,

11:55:55 1 Bobbie.

11:55:55 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Yes. Thank you very much. Okay.

11:56:03 3 Well, we have our officers for next year.

11:56:06 4 Let's move on to the approval of police commission

11:56:16 5 regular minutes, February 17th, 2021. Do I hear a motion to

11:56:22 6 accept the minutes as written?

11:56:25 7 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: (Gesturing.)

11:56:26 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Redeker has moved to

11:56:29 9 accept the -- to accept the regular commission minutes of

11:56:35 10 February 21. Do I have a second?

11:56:41 11 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: (Gesturing.)

11:56:43 12 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Vice Chair Patnode. Go

11:56:47 13 ahead. You second the motion?

11:56:49 14 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: I second.

11:56:52 15 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So she seconds the motion.

11:56:55 16 Any discussion? Any corrections? Anything on the minutes?

11:57:02 17 (No response.)

11:57:02 18 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So we'll take the vote. Vice

11:57:06 19 Chair Patnode.

11:57:07 20 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Aye.

11:57:08 21 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.

11:57:10 22 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Aye.

11:57:11 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

11:57:14 24 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Aye.

11:57:15 25 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano.

11:57:16 1 COMMISSIONER MANO: Aye.

11:57:18 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Redeker.

11:57:20 3 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Aye.

11:57:22 4 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Rodrigues.

11:57:24 5 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Aye.

11:57:25 6 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Santiago.

11:57:28 7 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Aye.

11:57:29 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Sylva.

11:57:33 9 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Aye.

11:57:34 10 CHAIR DE REGO: And the chair also votes aye. So

11:57:37 11 the minutes have been passed as written. Okay. Accepted as

11:57:44 12 written.

11:57:44 13 So let's move on to filing of the letters of

11:57:50 14 recommendation. I hope you got a chance to read these, you

11:57:53 15 know, they're -- there are always stories here of people going

11:58:00 16 above and beyond, you know, and I think they're very heart-

11:58:07 17 warming as well as inspiring for all of us. And so we'd like

11:58:14 18 to thank Captain Pursley and Officer Dudoit for their service.

11:58:23 19 And I hear -- I entertain a motion now to file these letters

11:58:28 20 of commendation.

11:58:31 21 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: (Gesturing.)

11:58:32 22 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Redeker has made a

11:58:35 23 motion to file the letters of recommendation. Do I have a

11:58:39 24 second?

11:58:49 25 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: (Gesturing.)



11:58:50 1 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. I think Commissioner Patnode  
11:58:54 2 beat everyone to the punch, so go ahead, Bobbie. Do you  
11:58:59 3 second?

11:59:00 4 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: I second.

11:59:02 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So -- okay. So the second is  
11:59:06 6 Commissioner Patnode. We'll go -- and there's no discussion  
11:59:13 7 on these? Any? Anybody like to say anything?  
11:59:18 8 (No response.)

11:59:18 9 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. If not, then we'll go on to  
11:59:23 10 file. Vice Chair Patnode.

11:59:28 11 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Aye.

11:59:29 12 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.

11:59:30 13 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Aye.

11:59:31 14 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

11:59:33 15 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Aye.

11:59:34 16 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano.

11:59:38 17 COMMISSIONER MANO: Yes.

11:59:40 18 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Redeker.

11:59:42 19 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Yes.

11:59:43 20 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Rodrigues.

11:59:46 21 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Aye.

11:59:47 22 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Santiago.

11:59:51 23 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Yes.

11:59:53 24 CHAIR DE REGO: And Commissioner Sylva.

11:59:55 25 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Aye.

11:59:56 1 CHAIR DE REGO: And the chair votes aye as well.

12:00:00 2 Okay. Correspondence PC 21-07 was a letter from the

12:00:11 3 Police Chief Faaumu regarding the blessing of the mobile

12:00:22 4 medical education unit bus dated March 8th, 2021. The chair's

12:00:35 5 only reflection on this is I wanted to thank Commissioner

12:00:42 6 Kuwahara and Commissioner Leach for also being there. I

12:00:47 7 was -- I attended as well. It was a very, very great

12:00:53 8 experience to see the community coming together with the

12:00:57 9 police department and how the police department took the extra

12:01:01 10 steps to make sure -- and the leadership and the chief took

12:01:06 11 the -- took the time and the effort to make sure this happened

12:01:10 12 for the community. And it's a great outreach. There's gonna

12:01:15 13 be a second bus like this and hopefully more in the future.

12:01:19 14 This has engendered a lot of interest in the community, and it

12:01:32 15 was a great, great ceremony all the way around to celebrate

12:01:38 16 the department's involvement in the community, but also the

12:01:53 17 various community organizations that are also making this

12:01:57 18 happen. So I just wanted to make that comment.

12:02:02 19 Commissioner Leach and Commissioner Kuwahara, would

12:02:06 20 you have any comments on this, since you both attended the --

12:02:12 21 go ahead, Commissioner Kuwahara.

12:02:16 22 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Yes. I just wanted to thank

12:02:19 23 the chief and the department of transportation and all of

12:02:25 24 those involved because it is a very awesome thing. It's not

12:02:31 25 just for homeless; it can be used for a lot of different

12:02:34 1 things, even when we have some kind of emergency. I think it  
12:02:39 2 will be a great, great attribute to our community, so great  
12:02:46 3 job. Thank you, Chief.

12:02:49 4 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach, do you have  
12:02:53 5 anything you'd like to share?

12:02:55 6 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Just that to the other  
12:02:57 7 commissioners too, if you are able to attend these functions  
12:03:01 8 too, I think it really is appreciated by the -- you know, the  
12:03:07 9 executive staff and the front line officers that see us at the  
12:03:12 10 functions. And I always like to, you know, show up and  
12:03:15 11 represent the police commission. And thank you for the other  
12:03:19 12 commissioners that attended.

12:03:22 13 CHAIR DE REGO: Well, I want to thank Commissioner  
12:03:25 14 Redeker for reminding us that we should, like, post these and  
12:03:29 15 then put out the invitation for everyone to -- to attend. So,  
12:03:36 16 yes, I will second those -- those sentiments of you,  
12:03:42 17 Commissioner Leach, in terms of encouraging everybody who can.  
12:03:48 18 I know all of us have busy schedules, and some of us are  
12:03:53 19 living, you know, on other islands, you know. If you happen  
12:03:58 20 to be in the neighborhood, it would be awesome. Perhaps we  
12:04:03 21 should suggest they actually do one of these, right, to kind  
12:04:07 22 of give us a window so even the public could actually see  
12:04:12 23 these blessings and see what's going on in the department in a  
12:04:16 24 positive sense. Right? It would be good PR to kind of let  
12:04:22 25 the public in and see what's going on in regards to these

12:04:27 1 things as well. So good.

12:04:31 2 So without further ado, we'll have the vote on

12:04:51 3 filing this -- these letters. Did we have a motion? I'm

12:04:58 4 trying to forget.

12:05:00 5 Did we do a motion, Jennifer?

12:05:07 6 MS. OANA: You have not, Chair.

12:05:09 7 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Motion to file. Pardon?

12:05:14 8 MS. OANA: You have not yet, I don't think.

12:05:24 9 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: (Gesturing.)

12:05:26 10 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Commissioner Kuwahara has

12:05:28 11 made a motion, and Commissioner Redeker has seconded the

12:05:34 12 motion to file. Okay. This is what happens when you walaau

12:05:41 13 too much, and your brain starts wandering, and you don't --

12:05:47 14 forget what you didn't do before. Right? So there we go.

12:05:52 15 Second.

12:05:53 16 So any discussion?

12:05:55 17 (No response.)

12:05:55 18 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So we'll take the vote on

12:06:00 19 filing the communication. Vice Chair Patnode.

12:06:04 20 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Aye.

12:06:05 21 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.

12:06:11 22 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Aye.

12:06:12 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

12:06:14 24 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Aye.

12:06:15 25 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano.

12:06:18 1 COMMISSIONER MANO: (Gesturing.)

12:06:22 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Aye. Okay.

12:06:24 3 Commissioner Redeker.

12:06:26 4 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Aye.

12:06:27 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Rodrigues.

12:06:31 6 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Aye.

12:06:32 7 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Santiago.

12:06:36 8 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Aye.

12:06:37 9 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Sylva.

12:06:40 10 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Aye.

12:06:43 11 CHAIR DE REGO: And the chair votes aye. And,

12:06:46 12 sorry, Matt, I heard an errr, so I thought that was you trying

12:06:53 13 to say aye. The connection is not good this evening -- this

12:06:59 14 afternoon, but I got the idea from the face and the motion,

12:07:02 15 so -- okay. So we'll file that communication.

12:07:08 16 We'll move on now to the chief's report.

12:07:13 17 MS. OANA: Excuse me, Chair.

12:07:16 18 CHAIR DE REGO: Oh, I'm sorry.

12:07:17 19 MS. OANA: Excuse me, Chair.

12:07:19 20 CHAIR DE REGO: Is something wrong? Yes.

12:07:21 21 MS. OANA: No, you didn't do anything wrong, but I

12:07:25 22 just got information that maybe the BlueJeans meeting wasn't

12:07:30 23 on when you first opened the meeting, so I'm not sure if all

12:07:35 24 the public -- I see 33 people on, I'm not sure all of them

12:07:41 25 on -- all of them were on when you did public testimony. So I

12:07:45 1 was just wondering if maybe you can just open public testimony  
12:07:49 2 just one more time in case there was some kind of a lag in the  
12:07:53 3 meeting, you know.

12:07:56 4 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So they weren't let in? They  
12:08:00 5 weren't let in?

12:08:02 6 MS. OANA: Yeah.

12:08:03 7 CHAIR DE REGO: Oh, my God. Okay. Yeah,  
12:08:09 8 definitely.

12:08:09 9 So without objection, Commissioners, I would suggest  
12:08:14 10 we open public testimony.

12:08:18 11 (No response.)

12:08:20 12 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. I don't hear any objection,  
12:08:23 13 so, yeah, that -- that's a technical difficulty that we need  
12:08:30 14 to make up for that, you know, the public wasn't let into  
12:08:37 15 the -- the room. Okay? So -- so just a reminder, written or  
12:08:46 16 oral testimony must relate to an item on the agenda.  
12:08:51 17 Testifiers will state their name and what agenda items they  
12:08:58 18 will be testifying on for the record. Maximum time limit of  
12:09:08 19 three minutes per agenda item.

12:09:12 20 So please sign up in the chat room so our staff can  
12:09:17 21 put you in order of how you signed up. Okay? I'll give you a  
12:09:23 22 few minutes for -- a couple -- a minute or so so people can do  
12:09:29 23 that.

12:09:36 24 So, Amy, if there is anyone who would -- are able to  
12:09:43 25 testify at this moment, if you could let us know.

12:09:48 1 MS. LAU: Will do.

12:10:05 2 (Pause.) Okay. Amy, has anyone signed up for  
12:10:32 3 public testimony?

12:10:41 4 MS. LAU: No messages yet.

12:10:45 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Are you checking both the  
12:10:59 6 regular chat and the direct messages? Just a question.

12:11:04 7 MS. LAU: Yes, I am.

12:21:22 8 (Pause.)

12:21:27 9 CHAIR DE REGO: I really want to be extra cautious,  
12:21:32 10 so I want to make sure it's not the technical glitch where  
12:21:37 11 they're trying to sign in, but are not able to, so this is why  
12:21:43 12 I'm waiting.

12:21:50 13 MS. LAU: Right. Hold on a moment. I'll check.

12:22:03 14 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay.

12:23:00 15 (Pause.)

12:23:02 16 CHAIR DE REGO: So if you'd like to sign up for  
12:23:07 17 public testimony, please sign up in the chat. We know there's  
12:23:11 18 a whole lot of you that just entered the call, so (pause) --  
12:23:37 19 (Inaudible.)

12:23:42 20 CHAIR DE REGO: So, Amy, is anybody signed up?

12:23:45 21 MS. LAU: I still don't see anyone. I'm not sure if  
12:23:51 22 Larry wanted to say something.

12:24:06 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So, Mr. Feinberg, would you  
12:24:09 24 like -- would you like to testify for three minutes? There  
12:24:14 25 might be some problems with signing up in the chat.

12:24:20 1 MR. FEINBERG: Here I am. Okay. Hello, everyone.

12:24:26 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Three minutes. Thank you,  
12:24:29 3 Mr. Feinberg.

12:24:31 4 MR. FEINBERG: Hey. I want to congratulate all the  
12:24:37 5 new officers and -- from last year, you all did a good job. I  
12:24:45 6 have been actually monitoring the meetings. I miss the  
12:24:51 7 meetings. And I want to say good-bye to Gene and -- and -- my  
12:25:00 8 mind, the other name.

12:25:02 9 CHAIR DE REGO: Sharen.

12:25:04 10 MR. FEINBERG: Sharen. Right. For, you know, the  
12:25:10 11 wonderful job that they've done over the last couple of years.  
12:25:19 12 And that was basically it. So I've been -- like I said, I've  
12:25:25 13 been monitoring the meetings and you've been doing a great job  
12:25:30 14 as chair and -- and I'd love to get back on one of these days.  
12:25:38 15 And hello to everybody. I'm watching you guys.

12:25:46 16 CHAIR DE REGO: Thank you. We need the public  
12:25:55 17 watching us.

12:25:59 18 MR. FEINBERG: One of the public. The other thing  
12:26:02 19 is, so when you do have the luncheon, I get included in the  
12:26:08 20 luncheon? Because it was two years ago when I got off.

12:26:12 21 CHAIR DE REGO: Yeah.

12:26:14 22 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Yes, you will be, Larry.  
12:26:18 23 You're gonna be the one responsible for the meal.

12:26:23 24 (Laughter.)

12:26:24 25 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Just kidding.



12:26:31 1 MR. FEINBERG: If I had your money, Gene, I would do  
12:26:34 2 it.  
12:26:37 3 (Laughter.)  
12:26:40 4 MR. FEINBERG: (Inaudible.) I tried to get on  
12:26:44 5 earlier, but it didn't work. I'm good then.  
12:26:48 6 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Thank you very much.  
12:26:49 7 MR. FEINBERG: No problem.  
12:26:51 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Aloha.  
12:26:53 9 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Thanks, Larry. Aloha.  
12:26:59 10 MR. FEINBERG: Bye.  
12:27:02 11 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So is there anybody who would  
12:27:05 12 like to testify? Amy, has anybody signed up?  
12:27:10 13 (Pause.)  
12:27:13 14 MS. LAU: No, no messages.  
12:27:16 15 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So, therefore, we will close  
12:27:21 16 public testimony without objection.  
12:27:27 17 (No response.)  
12:27:27 18 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Hearing none, public  
12:27:30 19 testimony is closed.  
12:27:31 20 Okay. So let's return to the agenda. Chief Faaumu,  
12:27:40 21 your report, please. Thank you. Welcome, Chief.  
12:27:45 22 CHIEF FAAUMU: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
12:27:48 23 First of all, I would like to thank Commissioner Sylva and  
12:27:52 24 Commissioner Santiago for their service. I wish you well. I  
12:28:08 25 hope you again sign up on the board, but I'm not sure you will

12:32:21 1 do that. I really appreciate your contribution to make the  
12:32:26 2 department a better place and also put us in a better place in  
12:32:31 3 our community. Thank you very much and I wish you well in the  
12:32:35 4 future.

12:32:36 5           Congratulations to new chair, of course, our new  
12:32:42 6 officers. Thank you, Chair De Rego and Vice Chair Patnode,  
12:32:50 7 and congratulations. And I'm looking forward to working with  
12:32:55 8 you in the next month or so, I think, and then we can move  
12:32:59 9 forward from there to a new horizon.

12:33:03 10           Anyway, I would like to thank again, echo when the  
12:33:09 11 chair had mentioned -- the chair and Commissioner Leach and  
12:33:13 12 Kuwahara attending the blessing. As a side note on it, it was  
12:33:19 13 an idea that came up with our CORE Unit, they had an idea and  
12:33:26 14 we worked with -- able to provide us with the funding to get  
12:33:36 15 that. The county -- the county department of transportation  
12:33:42 16 has two decommissioned buses and they were able to donate and  
12:33:49 17 we use it and we do have a lot of use for it in the future.  
12:33:56 18 So thank you again.

12:33:57 19           Ms. Magonigle is unable to attend today, so I know  
12:34:06 20 you folks have the financial and the staffing report.

12:34:12 21           Next one on my agenda, I would again like to thank  
12:34:18 22 you all for your support and I'm hoping that you folks  
12:34:23 23 received the retirement letter that was sent. I know it's  
12:34:28 24 usually we send you the letter and then you find out from the  
12:34:33 25 media, but it was the opposite, you know, the media put out

12:34:47 1 something and then while we were trying to draft the letter to  
12:34:51 2 you folks and to the mayor and, of course, to the union. So I  
12:34:58 3 am looking at retiring at the end of -- effective May 1st, but  
12:35:05 4 my last day will be April 30th. So that will give me 35 years  
12:35:15 5 and about nine months of service with the county and being a  
12:35:19 6 chief appointed a little over six years.

12:35:23 7 I would like to thank my commanders. As you know,  
12:35:27 8 this past week we have a lot of heavy rain, flooding all over  
12:35:34 9 the place, power outages, but we were managed -- able to  
12:35:41 10 manage that and along with the pandemic and the challenges  
12:35:47 11 we're facing. Again, I would like to thank the commanders. I  
12:35:53 12 know we -- some of our assistant chiefs were called into the  
12:35:59 13 EOC and they're out there working with the emergency manager  
12:36:05 14 Herman Andaya.

12:36:08 15 The last thing on my list is, again, to appreciate  
12:36:14 16 all your support with what the department is going through.  
12:36:19 17 We do have a few initiative that we are working on, hopefully  
12:36:25 18 we can move forward with it. We'll see how it goes.

12:36:29 19 I know the budget is coming up and I know  
12:36:33 20 Ms. Magonigle had met with the chair and they go over the --  
12:36:39 21 the budget. Yesterday we had to give an update on our budget,  
12:36:49 22 where we are, that's for fiscal year '20-'21, just to give a  
12:36:57 23 snapshot to the GREAT committee. Just where the department is  
12:37:08 24 at, where our balance is, and what we are looking for for the  
12:37:13 25 upcoming budget.

12:37:15 1 Other than that, that's all I have unless anyone has  
12:37:20 2 any questions for me. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

12:37:23 3 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Thank you, Chief.

12:37:27 4 Just a clarification, I received a letter on behalf  
12:37:31 5 of the chief on Monday and it didn't make the agenda simply  
12:37:37 6 because our agendas are -- have to be posted six days before  
12:37:42 7 our meetings. So the official letter from the chief came on  
12:37:46 8 the 15th, so -- officially announcing his retirement to the  
12:37:51 9 commission, so that's why it wasn't part of our meeting today.  
12:37:56 10 But -- but we want to thank the chief for his service and,  
12:38:03 11 obviously, we still have one more meeting, right, in April,  
12:38:10 12 so --

12:38:11 13 CHIEF FAAUMU: Yes, definitely.

12:38:12 14 CHAIR DE REGO: Yes, exactly. So are there any  
12:38:18 15 questions for the chief?

12:38:25 16 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: (Gesturing.)

12:38:28 17 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.

12:38:30 18 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Hi, Chief. How are you  
12:38:33 19 doing? I guess -- my question was last -- I believe it was  
12:38:37 20 last month on one of the reports we had a lot of people that  
12:38:46 21 were applying for recruit class, but then when I looked at it  
12:38:53 22 today, it looks like there's only 19 that went in and 17 are  
12:39:00 23 still in class. Somebody said, I thought, last month we had a  
12:39:07 24 number like -- something outrageous like 80 or something. Do  
12:39:19 25 you remember, Chief?

12:39:20 1 CHIEF FAAUMU: Yes. Mr. Chair, may I respond. Yes,  
12:39:26 2 we --

12:39:26 3 CHAIR DE REGO: Yes. Go ahead.

12:39:28 4 CHIEF FAAUMU: Yes. Just to let you know that what  
12:39:31 5 happened is the recruitment -- they close out our recruitment  
12:39:39 6 since July and a couple reason behind that. We had to rewrite  
12:39:44 7 the exam and also look at ways to -- to address the fact that  
12:39:52 8 everybody has to come into Maui to take the test. So DPS with  
12:39:58 9 the department able to create an online testing where  
12:40:05 10 candidates can take the exam online. And, of course, we had  
12:40:18 11 proctors in place to make sure there is not cheating on it.  
12:40:22 12 So, yes, last month, Melissa mentioned last month that we had  
12:40:29 13 80 applicants that took the test, so we are waiting for the  
12:40:33 14 result. What you're referring to is the 91st Recruit Class,  
12:40:40 15 there are 17 of them, that is from a prior list that we have  
12:40:46 16 prior to the closing of the recruitment. And DPS allow us to  
12:40:53 17 use whatever we -- existing. And they closed the open  
12:41:02 18 recruitment that we had until we rewrite the exam and then  
12:41:14 19 continue that way so anybody can take the test wherever you  
12:41:22 20 are, Continental U.S. and also in the state of Hawaii. I hope  
12:41:29 21 that answered your questions. Thank you.

12:41:32 22 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: So, basically, you're saying  
12:41:34 23 that those 80 are still a possibility?

12:41:38 24 CHIEF FAAUMU: Yes, that is correct. We need to  
12:41:41 25 find out if -- we're hoping that all 80 pass the exam.

12:41:49 1 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: I'm hoping. Thank you.

12:41:52 2 Thanks, Chief.

12:41:59 3 CHIEF FAAUMU: You're welcome.

12:42:03 4 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Santiago, go ahead.

12:42:08 5 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: I don't have a question, but

12:42:11 6 I want to -- just want to personally congratulate the chief on

12:42:15 7 his retirement. It's been a long journey, I know, Chief. You

12:42:22 8 know, it's well deserved. Thank you for years of service,

12:42:26 9 your dedication, your commitment, your leadership, and all

12:42:31 10 that you've done for the police department as well for the

12:42:35 11 community. So thank you very much and hope you enjoy your

12:42:39 12 retirement. I know you will. All the best to you. Thanks,

12:42:43 13 Chief.

12:42:44 14 CHIEF FAAUMU: Thank you, Commissioner.

12:42:46 15 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Sylva.

12:42:49 16 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Yes. Since we won't be there

12:42:55 17 next month, yeah, so I want to just add to Eugene's

12:43:00 18 congratulations on your service. Thirty-five years, that's a

12:43:04 19 lot, so you've seen it all. Thank you, Chief.

12:43:12 20 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Are there any other questions

12:43:15 21 for the chief?

12:43:17 22 CHIEF FAAUMU: Thank you.

12:43:17 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Thank you very much, Chief.

12:43:21 24 Just a clarification about my meeting with Melissa

12:43:25 25 Magonigle. I -- actually, if you remember the last time,

12:43:29 1 since this is the financial reporting and expenditures, I did  
12:43:35 2 have a conversation with Ms. Magonigle and about an issue I  
12:43:41 3 had raised about potential monies for -- you know, if we  
12:43:45 4 needed to hire outside investigators, and remember at that  
12:43:49 5 point she had told us there was \$9,000 in the budget for  
12:43:54 6 investigators. What I did find out, though, is that that is  
12:43:59 7 for professional services and out of that money is also coming  
12:44:05 8 out our transcribing costs, all right, to transcribe these  
12:44:15 9 meetings, so -- so that \$9,000 really isn't \$9,000. In fact,  
12:44:24 10 I found out that that expenditure has been -- I mean, that  
12:44:30 11 allocation has been overspent already, so we're already in the  
12:44:34 12 red on just transcribing services for this year.

12:44:39 13 So any other monies -- then I discussed with her the  
12:44:44 14 ability to kind of shuffle around B account money. I think  
12:44:49 15 you all understand how the county, right, does budgeting.  
12:44:54 16 They have the A account for salaries, B account for  
12:45:00 17 operations, and the C account for equipment. If there was any  
12:45:05 18 ways that we could have other B account money within our  
12:45:10 19 account and within the department that could be made available  
12:45:17 20 for investigation services if we needed to hire somebody  
12:45:22 21 privately outside, you know, the other state agencies that we  
12:45:27 22 rely on. She says that's a possibility, but just a note here  
12:45:34 23 that these investigative services, which I will describe later  
12:45:39 24 at our -- sometimes run into the 40 to 60 thousand level, you  
12:45:47 25 know, if you're doing a complete investigation report. So,

12:45:51 1 yeah, so I just -- I just wanted to let the commission know in  
12:45:55 2 this portion of the meeting that I did have a -- but it wasn't  
12:45:59 3 about the overall budget or next year's budget, but it was  
12:46:03 4 specifically about portions of the budget for this year. So  
12:46:10 5 questions on that?

12:46:11 6 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: (Gesturing.)

12:46:12 7 CHAIR DE REGO: Yes, Commissioner Kuwahara.

12:46:16 8 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: So you said we're over  
12:46:20 9 budgeting on that 9,000 already, but we still have four months  
12:46:24 10 left. So wasn't there any comparison from the year before?  
12:46:29 11 Didn't we do -- use a transcriber the year before? I just  
12:46:35 12 finished my first year, so I'm not sure.

12:46:38 13 CHAIR DE REGO: Yeah, I asked her about that. They  
12:46:42 14 actually had a professional services budget, you know, for  
12:46:46 15 investigators, but that was only like \$5,000, I think, and  
12:46:49 16 they didn't use them a lot. And I think transcribing  
12:46:54 17 services, I guess per page have gone up, because I guess a lot  
12:46:58 18 of people are using their services that everything's locked  
12:47:02 19 up, right, with COVID. So, yeah, in terms of the (inaudible),  
12:47:09 20 there was some problem about that, but -- I agree. But that  
12:47:13 21 was just professional services in general. So since we hadn't  
12:47:17 22 used monies for investigations in the past, they just dropped  
12:47:24 23 that item completely out of the budget. But it was only  
12:47:28 24 budgeted for \$5,000, anyway. So that was my understanding of  
12:47:32 25 how they described it to me. So going forward, I'm hoping



12:47:38 1 that there's gonna be some give if we're going to have to hire  
12:47:44 2 private investigators for some of the cases that are  
12:47:48 3 outstanding at this particular point. So okay.

12:47:52 4 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: I have another question.

12:47:55 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Yeah. Go ahead.

12:47:57 6 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: So when -- maybe somebody  
12:48:01 7 else has to answer this because you're new like I am.

12:48:06 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Yes. I can -- yeah.

12:48:08 9 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: So previously when you guys  
12:48:11 10 did meet in the chief's conference room, the minutes, were  
12:48:15 11 they always transcribed by a professional or --

12:48:21 12 CHAIR DE REGO: And Randol is nodding his head and  
12:48:25 13 so is Bobbie.

12:48:25 14 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Okay, all right. That's  
12:48:28 15 what I wanted to know. Thank you.

12:48:30 16 CHAIR DE REGO: So is Mark.

12:48:30 17 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: (Nodding head.)

12:48:33 18 CHAIR DE REGO: So yeah. Well, thank you very much.  
12:48:36 19 I felt I needed to report that to the commission, since it was  
12:48:40 20 a conversation I had about the budget. Okay. So let's move  
12:48:44 21 on. So if you have any questions, by the way, about this  
12:48:49 22 particular report from Melissa, please hang on to those, okay,  
12:48:53 23 and then when she's back hopefully the next meeting, then  
12:48:58 24 we'll catch up on this one and the next one in April. Okay?

12:49:02 25 Let's go on to old business, discussion on handling

12:49:08 1 and distribution of confidential executive session material.

12:49:15 2 I'm gonna pass this on to Corporation Counsel Oana.

12:49:19 3 And Corporation Counsel.

12:49:26 4 MS. OANA: Hi, Chair. Thank you. So this is on the

12:49:30 5 agenda because I have had this issue where if we need to get

12:49:37 6 you folks executive session materials after Amy does the mail

12:49:41 7 out to you folks, how are we gonna do it if there's not enough

12:49:52 8 time to mail? And so we're looking at FILR. Amy and I tried

12:49:58 9 it, and it's not completely confidential. There is an

12:50:04 10 expiration date function, but there is no undownloadable

12:50:12 11 function, so you can essentially download it to your guys'

12:50:17 12 computer and save it forever, which is not something that I

12:50:26 13 want to happen. So FILR doesn't seem to be an option.

12:50:34 14 Now, it was mentioned that Dropbox Pro might be an

12:50:38 15 option and before Amy goes through the process of getting

12:50:44 16 approval for that subscription -- and it's gonna either be a

12:50:49 17 monthly fee or a yearly fee -- Commissioner Kuwahara, I think

12:50:54 18 you brought up Dropbox, do you have Dropbox Pro yourself?

12:51:02 19 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: No, I just have regular

12:51:04 20 Dropbox. But I know when I do my executive minutes, I can

12:51:10 21 click on they can read it or they can -- you know, they can

12:51:14 22 read only. There's a lot of things just on the free one. So

12:51:18 23 I haven't used the pro, but when I was researching it, it

12:51:23 24 looked like there was a lot more things that they could use to

12:51:29 25 make it more private. So there's --

12:51:36 1 MS. OANA: (Inaudible.)

12:51:38 2 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: There's never gonna be a  
12:51:40 3 perfect way no matter how you look at it because it's going  
12:51:46 4 out to all of us one way or another, you know, so -- I don't  
12:51:50 5 know. I think more the speed, also the cost of shipping.  
12:51:55 6 Every time I ship these back, it's like 14-15 bucks just for  
12:52:05 7 me to do it and that's times nine, plus shipping them out. So  
12:52:11 8 I think paying for a program would probably be cheaper in the  
12:52:19 9 long run, that's my personal opinion.

12:52:23 10 MS. OANA: Yes, that's true and I agree with that.  
12:52:33 11 So I've tried the free Dropbox Pro with Amy and that doesn't  
12:52:38 12 allow the undownloadable, uncopyable thing. I think there's  
12:52:47 13 an expiration date on that as well, but you can essentially  
12:52:51 14 download it to your computer. What I don't want is people  
12:52:56 15 downloading it to their computer and saving it forever and  
12:53:00 16 then, you know, you get rid of your computer, it's on it, now  
12:53:06 17 somebody else is reading executive session confidential  
12:53:11 18 material. And I -- and I understand that there's not gonna be  
12:53:14 19 a completely foolproof, safe, confidential way to do executive  
12:53:21 20 session materials during COVID, but I want to do it the -- you  
12:53:28 21 know, the safest way we can.

12:53:30 22 And so does anybody else on the commission have  
12:53:34 23 Dropbox Pro that they could practice with us before Amy pays  
12:53:40 24 for it?

12:53:46 25 (No response.)

12:53:46 1 MS. OANA: No? Okay. So I guess Amy can just kind  
12:53:51 2 of look into that and --

12:53:56 3 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Jen.

12:53:59 4 MS. OANA: Yeah.

12:54:01 5 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Don't they allow you to have  
12:54:04 6 like one month free just to try it on trial?

12:54:12 7 MS. OANA: Well, maybe, yeah, yeah.

12:54:16 8 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: I thought they did.

12:54:19 9 MS. OANA: Yeah.

12:54:20 10 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: And another thing is Google  
12:54:23 11 Docs, you can set up where everyone can go in and read, I  
12:54:28 12 think you can do it where they can't print it, but they cannot  
12:54:33 13 download it. I think you have to go into it to read and then  
12:54:37 14 go out of it. That's another possibility.

12:54:41 15 MS. OANA: Yeah. So I guess Amy and I will just  
12:54:45 16 kind of look into this. We still may be able to do that free  
12:54:53 17 version, but, yeah, may -- maybe we should look into always  
12:55:00 18 just making this electronic to you guys once we figure out,  
12:55:06 19 you know, which electronic system is the best way. So more  
12:55:12 20 updates later, Chair.

12:55:14 21 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Thank you very much.

12:55:17 22 Any other questions?

12:55:19 23 (No response.)

12:55:21 24 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Thank you very much,  
12:55:23 25 Corporation Counsel.

12:55:25 1 Okay. Let's move on to new business, okay, hiring  
12:55:29 2 of a new chief of police. Okay. This is really actually  
12:55:42 3 coincidental. Yes, Commissioner Redeker.

12:55:50 4 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: (Gesturing.)

12:55:51 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Yes, Commissioner Redeker. You're  
12:55:59 6 muted, Commissioner. Commissioner, you're muted. Go for it.

12:56:04 7 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: There we go. Much better.  
12:56:07 8 There we go.

12:56:08 9 Since we have now -- since you got the letter, but  
12:56:14 10 we haven't officially got the letter --

12:56:19 11 CHAIR DE REGO: Right.

12:56:20 12 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: -- I'm assuming that you  
12:56:21 13 provided all of us for us to review for the next meeting.

12:56:31 14 CHAIR DE REGO: Yeah. I -- what -- and this is the  
12:56:35 15 explanation I was gonna give, so you're a good segue into my  
12:56:40 16 explanation.

12:56:40 17 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Okay.

12:56:41 18 CHAIR DE REGO: This was actually coincidental.  
12:56:44 19 You're exactly correct. I did not receive an official  
12:56:51 20 response from the chief on his retirement until Monday, but  
12:56:54 21 because we've all heard about the rumors and that the chief  
12:56:59 22 was gonna retire -- we heard he wanted to retire last December  
12:57:04 23 and then he was asked to stay on because of the pandemic. In  
12:57:08 24 the last month or so we heard rumors about him wanting to  
12:57:12 25 retire, so as chair, I wanted to be proactive. So this is

12:57:18 1 actually coincidental to that announcement officially with the  
12:57:27 2 chief. I just wanted us to have a peek at the documents and  
12:57:33 3 everything that goes into, you know, gearing up for the police  
12:57:40 4 chief in terms of an announcement, in terms of what the  
12:57:44 5 minimum qualifications would be, in terms of what the  
12:57:49 6 newspaper announcement looks like, and also looking at past  
12:57:54 7 practice where it was publicized and advertised. I wanted to  
12:58:02 8 give the commission a leg up if and when that official  
12:58:07 9 announcement ever came. Okay? So Monday I did receive the  
12:58:14 10 letter, but I want -- I put this on simply to give us a leg  
12:58:20 11 up.

12:59:45 12 So thank you for asking that question, because  
12:59:49 13 that's now this past Monday since, I repeat, I got the letter  
12:59:54 14 from the chief and we have a time and date certain for his  
12:59:58 15 retirement, I think this might at least give us a leg up at  
13:00:03 16 least on discussing and looking at the items on this agenda.  
13:00:09 17 Now, the -- the group may want to, you know, defer this item.  
13:00:14 18 I think we should have a discussion at least about these  
13:00:18 19 items, and then if we want to defer voting till the next --  
13:00:28 20 you know, the next month, that's fine. But it's -- it was me  
13:00:35 21 being totally proactive about this outside of whatever the  
13:00:44 22 chief decided and when he decided it, so -- so whatever your  
13:00:50 23 pleasure is as a group at this point, this is the reason why I  
13:00:56 24 brought this up.

13:00:57 25 Commissioner Patnode.

13:00:59 1 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: I think it's certainly all  
13:01:02 2 right for us to have some discussion because it's on the  
13:01:06 3 agenda. So, I mean, we don't have to wait a month to talk  
13:01:12 4 about this, because it's on the agenda for this meeting. One  
13:01:16 5 of the main questions I have is the chief is officially gone  
13:01:20 6 at the end of April, so who do we have on an interim basis?  
13:01:27 7 Because I don't think we're gonna be completing this process  
13:01:32 8 by April -- by May 1st, so what -- what's the plan in the  
13:01:41 9 meantime?

13:01:43 10 CHAIR DE REGO: As our rules state, the deputy chief  
13:01:48 11 steps in and -- in the chief's job while we're looking. So  
13:01:57 12 unless he retires too at the same time, but I -- I guess there  
13:02:01 13 aren't any indications of that. But in our rules, it states  
13:02:06 14 that the deputy chief takes over in the interim for the chief.  
13:02:14 15 That's what it states in the rules. So I would like -- what I  
13:02:17 16 would like to do, actually -- no, I'm sorry, I'm going to let  
13:02:22 17 you ask your question.

13:02:27 18 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Well, I saw the chief pop up  
13:02:29 19 there for a second. I don't know if he had a comment for us  
13:02:32 20 or --

13:02:34 21 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay.

13:02:36 22 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Just as far as the department's  
13:02:42 23 readiness for him to be gone and the deputy's readiness or the  
13:02:49 24 assistant chief's readiness.

13:02:53 25 CHAIR DE REGO: Yeah.

13:02:54 1 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: If the chief would care to  
13:02:57 2 comment.

13:02:58 3 CHAIR DE REGO: So, Chief. Chief, are you there?

13:03:03 4 CHIEF FAAUMU: Thank you, Chair, and thank you, Vice  
13:03:06 5 Chair, for bringing that up. Yes, you are correct. I did  
13:03:11 6 have a conversation, a lengthy conversation with the deputy  
13:03:16 7 chief. I was hoping he'll run for chief, but he's not going  
13:03:22 8 to run for chief. He told me he's not gonna do that, but he  
13:03:28 9 will stay on with the department to transition the department  
13:03:32 10 to the next administration.

13:03:40 11 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Thank you.

13:03:42 12 CHIEF FAAUMU: Hopefully the next administration  
13:03:44 13 will keep him to provide them with some guidance because I  
13:03:55 14 think he's looking at maybe retiring sometime at the end of  
13:04:01 15 the year, but that's what -- if they don't, then he will just  
13:04:09 16 exit, but he is gonna stay on and transition our department.

13:04:16 17 COMMISSIONER PATNODE: Okay. Thank you very much.

13:04:18 18 CHAIR DE REGO: Thank you, Chief.

13:04:26 19 So I think where we always begin is I just mentioned  
13:04:31 20 about in our rules the deputy chief takes over, I think it's  
13:04:35 21 good that we have a little primer or a restatement of exactly  
13:04:40 22 what the charter says. I think you have in your packets some  
13:04:44 23 of that material and what our rules say about the hiring of  
13:04:48 24 the chief. So I'm gonna ask corporation counsel to review the  
13:04:55 25 process for us and what the rules are and the constraints are



13:05:02 1 in this -- in this matter.

13:05:04 2 So Corporation Counsel Oana.

13:05:09 3 MS. OANA: Thank you, Chair.

13:05:12 4 I'm gonna share my screen with the charter and the  
13:05:18 5 rules that Amy provided to you folks in your packets.

13:06:44 6 Okay. So in the charter, Chapter 12, that's the  
13:06:48 7 department of the police. And you see in Section 8-12.3,  
13:06:59 8 Chief of Police, The chief of police shall be appointed and  
13:07:05 9 may be removed by the police commission. And at the end of  
13:07:11 10 that paragraph it says, The chief of police shall have a  
13:07:16 11 minimum of five years of experience in law enforcement, at  
13:07:22 12 least three of which shall have been in an administrative  
13:07:26 13 capacity.

13:07:29 14 It also lists the duties and functions of the police  
13:07:36 15 chief, which we have to be mindful of when we are looking at  
13:07:42 16 the candidates. The chief of police shall:

13:07:45 17 1. Be the administrative head of the department of  
13:07:50 18 police.

13:07:53 19 2. Be responsible for the preservation of the  
13:07:55 20 public peace, prevention of crime, detection and arrest of  
13:08:02 21 offenders against the law, protection of rights of persons and  
13:08:07 22 property, and enforcement and prevention of violations of all  
13:08:22 23 laws of the state and ordinances of the county and all rules  
13:08:28 24 made in accordance therewith.

13:08:32 25 3. Be responsible for traffic safety and traffic

13:08:44 1 safety education.

13:08:46 2 4. Train, equip, maintain, and supervise the force  
13:08:57 3 of police officers and employees of the department.

13:09:00 4 And 5. Have such other powers and duties as may be  
13:09:08 5 assigned by the mayor or as may be provided by law.

13:09:13 6 So that's what the charter says. And then when we  
13:09:18 7 go to the Rules of the Police Commission, Section 13-101-16,  
13:09:30 8 that is the Appointment of the Chief of Police, so I'm just  
13:09:37 9 gonna read it so I -- we can discuss this whole thing.

13:09:42 10 Upon a vacancy in the office of the chief, the  
13:09:48 11 commission shall appoint a qualified replacement. The  
13:09:56 12 selection process shall be as follows:

13:10:04 13 (A) Notice of the vacancy or impending vacancy and  
13:10:24 14 intent of the commission to fill such vacancy shall be  
13:10:30 15 circulated throughout the department and published at least  
13:10:38 16 once in a newspaper of general circulation in the state. The  
13:10:46 17 notice shall list the requirements for such office and shall  
13:10:51 18 summarize the selection procedures contained herein.

13:10:58 19 (B) The commission shall by motion adopt an  
13:11:08 20 application form to be used by prospective candidates. Each  
13:11:15 21 candidate, at the individual's option, may supplement such  
13:11:22 22 application form with additional resumes and information.

13:11:27 23 (C) The commission shall set a deadline for receipt  
13:11:35 24 by the commission's secretary of applications by interested  
13:11:40 25 candidates, which deadline shall be no sooner than 30 days,

13:11:46 1 nor later than 60 days after the publication of the notice  
13:11:56 2 provided for in subsection A.

13:12:04 3 (D) Upon receipt of all applications, the commission  
13:12:12 4 shall meet to consider the applications and if the commission  
13:12:17 5 desires, invite other applicants for the position. The  
13:12:24 6 commission may conduct personal interviews of candidates for  
13:12:29 7 the position. Unless otherwise required by law, such  
13:12:36 8 interviews shall be closed to the public.

13:12:40 9 (E) The commission shall meet in closed session to  
13:12:47 10 deliberate the selection of a person to fill the vacancy in  
13:12:55 11 the office of the chief. Nothing contained herein shall  
13:12:59 12 prevent the commission from choosing a person to fill the  
13:13:06 13 vacancy who has not provided an application. The selection of  
13:13:12 14 the new chief shall be by majority vote of the commission.

13:13:18 15 Now, the one other law that kind of deals with the  
13:13:26 16 hiring of the chief -- and I didn't have Amy put it in the  
13:13:31 17 materials, I'm sorry -- but that's HRS Section 78-1. And  
13:13:39 18 that's just the residency requirements for employees of the  
13:13:43 19 state or county, and in that section, it basically says that  
13:13:48 20 the chief of police shall be a U.S. citizen. I want to note  
13:13:53 21 that it used to have a residency require -- a Hawaii state  
13:14:03 22 residency requirement of one year, but it -- the law did  
13:14:10 23 change a couple years ago and that was eliminated for the  
13:14:15 24 chief of police for each county.

13:14:18 25 So that is basically the law and the rules that you

13:14:22 1 guys are bound by in appointing the chief. What you guys do,  
13:14:27 2 how you guys do it, as long as it's within the -- as long as  
13:14:32 3 we're abiding by these rules, you guys will be okay.

13:14:42 4 So I just want to point out 13-101-16A, the notice  
13:14:50 5 of vacancy or impending vacancy -- and I'm sure, Chair, you're  
13:14:58 6 gonna talk about that in a little bit, but that has been --  
13:15:03 7 the last -- the last notice for when Chief Faaumu was  
13:15:10 8 appointed chief, that has been provided to you just as a  
13:15:16 9 sample so you guys can see what the notice looks like. And  
13:15:20 10 then the application form as well has been provided to you.  
13:15:24 11 You have to adopt that by a motion. And then, again, we have  
13:15:29 12 to set a deadline for receipt by the commission.

13:15:33 13 And I'm sorry if I'm moving ahead, Chair, but if  
13:15:37 14 everybody takes a look at the newspaper sample that we put in  
13:15:41 15 the materials from the last time, it was posted in the Maui  
13:15:46 16 News three times. Even though the rule says at least once in  
13:15:57 17 a newspaper of general circulation, when the commission hired  
13:16:01 18 Chief Faaumu, they did post it in the newspaper three times,  
13:16:11 19 two weeks apart each. So I just want to, you know, kind of  
13:16:17 20 inform the commission on that. So you have to do it at least  
13:16:20 21 once, but you can choose to do it more than once like the --  
13:16:25 22 that previous commission did.

13:16:28 23 And that's it for now for me, Chair, unless you have  
13:16:32 24 any questions.

13:16:33 25 CHAIR DE REGO: Anyone have any questions?

13:16:50 1 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: (Gesturing.)

13:16:51 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.

13:16:54 3 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: I mean, I was just  
13:16:56 4 wondering, is -- was Maui News the only place that we put the  
13:17:00 5 ad in?

13:17:01 6 CHAIR DE REGO: No, it was not. There were several  
13:17:06 7 other venues. I can list those for you, actually. It was put  
13:17:12 8 in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser as well as the International  
13:17:21 9 Association of Chiefs of Police, the Maui County website, the  
13:17:27 10 Maui Police Department Facebook page, and mauiNOW.com.

13:17:34 11 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Okay. Thank you.

13:17:37 12 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So as commission --  
13:17:41 13 corporation counsel has outlined to you, there's several  
13:17:45 14 preliminary steps before we start accepting applications. We,  
13:17:49 15 first of all, have to set the advertisement or the -- the way  
13:17:54 16 we put this out, the announcement of the vacancy, right,  
13:18:02 17 impending or otherwise, we have to agree on minimum  
13:18:07 18 qualifications. Now, in a sense, just let me remind you, the  
13:18:13 19 charter sets a floor, right, okay, but it does not mean -- the  
13:18:19 20 commission, like they did in 2014, set a bar. Right? Okay.  
13:18:25 21 So the five years became 15 years of experience, right, okay,  
13:18:33 22 in the last advertisement. Okay? So there were increases in  
13:18:39 23 terms of, you know, what the commission suggested and some of  
13:18:46 24 that we -- I took and put it in to some of these job  
13:18:51 25 descriptions as well as the minimum qualifications.

13:18:55 1 If you look at the third page -- next time we're  
13:19:01 2 gonna put page numbers on these things. There's the police  
13:19:08 3 chief minimum qualifications where he's a citizen of the  
13:19:12 4 United States of America; must possess police chief  
13:19:17 5 educational requirements as stated above. Minimum county  
13:19:24 6 requirements: At least five years of experience in law  
13:19:28 7 enforcement, at least three of which have been in an  
13:19:32 8 administrative capacity. The commission is seeking an  
13:19:36 9 applicant with at least 15 years of experience as a law  
13:19:40 10 enforcement officer, at least five of which have been in an  
13:19:46 11 administrative position, so that increases that from the  
13:19:49 12 charter. Successful completion of preemployment evaluations  
13:19:56 13 including, but not limited to a physical examination, a drug  
13:20:02 14 test, psychological assessment, background investigation, must  
13:20:10 15 possess a valid driver's license, and must have a clean  
13:20:16 16 criminal record.

13:20:17 17 Also for the educational requirements, the last  
13:20:22 18 commission set the bar for a bachelor's degree from an  
13:20:26 19 accredited four-year college -- this is on the page  
13:20:30 20 previous -- or university in police administration, law  
13:20:37 21 enforcement, criminal justice -- that's something, you know,  
13:20:48 22 that we sort of added, you know -- political science, business  
13:21:09 23 administration, sociology, or related field, and/or graduate  
13:21:16 24 of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy, and  
13:21:20 25 then a police training certification. So in working with

13:21:24 1 these, they sort of expanded the educational fields that one  
13:21:33 2 would have, you know, that might be of relevance to being a  
13:21:39 3 police chief. I -- and so, yeah, so these kinds -- a lot of  
13:21:47 4 these things are gonna be those things that we use as  
13:21:52 5 consideration not overall -- I mean, not only singularly, but  
13:21:59 6 overall in terms of giving us an idea if it's a good candidate  
13:22:11 7 or a good fit.

13:22:12 8 So some of these things we're gonna have to vote on,  
13:22:20 9 especially the minimum requirements and the educational  
13:22:23 10 requirements, before we go -- before we go forward. So the  
13:22:31 11 job description and the minimum -- minimum qualifications,  
13:22:36 12 including the educational requirements, are something we have  
13:22:39 13 to vote on. So this documents that you received, Police Chief  
13:22:43 14 Job Description, Police Chief Duties and Responsibilities, the  
13:22:48 15 Police Chief's Skills, the Police Chief Educational  
13:22:54 16 Requirements, and the Police Chief Minimum Qualifications;  
13:22:58 17 correct me if I'm wrong, Corporation Counsel Oana, this is a  
13:23:04 18 document we would have to vote on in order to move forward  
13:23:08 19 with our announcement, correct?

13:23:12 20 MS. OANA: Yes. The commission has to come to an  
13:23:18 21 agreement on whether this document should be the document  
13:23:21 22 that, you know, we send out to whoever asks. So, you know, it  
13:23:30 23 contains educational requirements, minimum qualifications, so  
13:23:38 24 the whole commission should agree on it. Or, you know, if you  
13:23:43 25 guys want to wordsmith it right now, you know, we can make

13:23:48 1 little edits as you folks wish. But, Chair, if you did want  
13:23:56 2 to kind of move forward, since -- since we did get this formal  
13:24:03 3 notification by the chief that he is gonna retire as of  
13:24:09 4 April 30, April 30th, if you wanted to discuss this and work  
13:24:16 5 on this today, and then, you know, we can get the notice out  
13:24:22 6 prior to the next meeting, if that's what you folks want to  
13:24:26 7 do. Because it's mid-March and there's only one more meeting  
13:24:31 8 before he retires, so if you guys wanted to work on this now  
13:24:37 9 and then -- and then agree to whatever you guys, you know,  
13:24:42 10 make out of it.

13:24:44 11 CHAIR DE REGO: So would the commission want to wait  
13:24:48 12 and kind of pour over this first and wait till the next  
13:24:55 13 meeting? Do you want to go through this now? I just did this  
13:24:59 14 as a way of introducing us to all the work we're gonna have to  
13:25:05 15 do. Okay? There's also a discussion of whether or not we  
13:25:09 16 have a TIG or we work on this as a full commission, including  
13:25:15 17 reviewing the applicants and whittling it down. Okay?  
13:25:20 18 There's pros and cons to both, but that's something that the  
13:25:26 19 commission would also have to decide in terms of how we want  
13:25:30 20 to operate on this.

13:25:33 21 Commissioner Santiago and then Commissioner -- Vice  
13:25:39 22 Chair Patnode, and I think -- did Commissioner Rodrigues have  
13:25:43 23 his hand up? Okay.

13:25:46 24 So Commissioner Santiago.

13:25:49 25 COMMISSIONER SANTIAGO: Yeah, Chair. I'm sorry to



13:25:51 1 interrupt the discussion, I want to ask to be excused. I have  
13:25:56 2 a family meeting at 3:30 I need to attend, but I just wanted  
13:26:08 3 to ask the permission of the chair to be excused at this time  
13:26:16 4 to attend the appointment. But I just -- also just want to  
13:26:27 5 say thank you, everybody, thank you for all that you guys do  
13:26:31 6 and all for the support that you guys shared with each other  
13:26:35 7 at least for the past five years that I was there. Best  
13:26:39 8 wishes continue to do the good work that you guys do and much  
13:26:44 9 aloha to everybody.

13:26:48 10 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Good. Thank you, Eugene.  
13:26:54 11 Take care now. Aloha.

13:26:56 12 Okay. So that's one thing that we -- how would you  
13:27:02 13 guys like to proceed? I'm not trying to push this. I mean,  
13:27:07 14 you know, I'm just trying to give you all the options that are  
13:27:11 15 out there, like a menu of all the things we need to do, so the  
13:27:16 16 speed or the slowness -- or the speed that you guys decide is  
13:27:21 17 what's gonna determine how we do this. So if you guys want to  
13:27:26 18 sit on this maybe for about a month and then maybe develop a  
13:27:31 19 TIG then or, you know, develop one now, or if you guys decide  
13:27:40 20 to go as a full commission. I think that that maybe should be  
13:27:43 21 the discussion that we have today. Okay? And then we can  
13:27:49 22 move forward.

13:27:51 23 Commissioner -- Vice Chair Patnode.

13:27:58 24 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Thanks, Chair. I -- when I got  
13:28:03 25 this information, my thinking was it's really pretty thorough.

13:28:10 1 It has a lot, if not all of what we would want as far as  
13:28:15 2 advertising and the process and the job description, it's  
13:28:20 3 pretty much all there. I would probably want to ask the chief  
13:28:25 4 if he had any thoughts about it as a job description. If it  
13:28:30 5 was missing anything that, you know, he discovered after he  
13:28:33 6 was in the job that he had to do. You know, one of the things  
13:28:37 7 that he had talked -- he has talked about is the requirement  
13:28:41 8 to represent the department at the state and federal level. I  
13:28:49 9 don't -- so there's not really mention of that in there. And  
13:28:53 10 then the other thing that I would ask if he wanted to look at  
13:28:57 11 is, you know, many times people don't have a degree, but they  
13:29:02 12 have experience equivalent to a degree. A degree does not  
13:29:07 13 necessarily mean you have the qualifications. So would we  
13:29:12 14 want to just make an adjustment there to allow for experience  
13:29:16 15 equivalent to a degree? But, otherwise, I think we have what  
13:29:20 16 we need to move forward and I don't see a good reason to wait.  
13:29:24 17 That's -- that's what I have to say. Thanks.

13:29:27 18 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay.

13:29:28 19 Commissioner Kuwahara.

13:29:32 20 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Thanks, Chair. I totally  
13:29:34 21 agree with Bobbie. I think that in responsibilities, I think  
13:29:40 22 that should be added about the state and federal, because that  
13:29:44 23 was also kind of something the chief said he didn't realize  
13:29:49 24 how much time that took. And I also agree that, you know, on  
13:29:54 25 the education requirements, I don't think a four-year

13:29:57 1 accredited college has to be there. I think it should also  
13:30:01 2 be -- you know, there's a lot of people that didn't go to  
13:30:08 3 college, but they are fantastic police officers and they have  
13:30:15 4 the experience. So, you know, we could intertwine where  
13:30:22 5 four-year college degree or whatever and then say and/or and  
13:30:27 6 then maybe, you know, 15 years experience because we have that  
13:30:30 7 in there. And I think the rest of the stuff is very good. I  
13:30:35 8 don't think we have to beat a dead horse on it. And I think  
13:30:38 9 it's -- the sooner we do this, the better, because it's quite  
13:30:43 10 a process that we have to go through. Thank you.

13:30:48 11 CHAIR DE REGO: The reason why I put the bachelor's  
13:30:53 12 degree or I had the bachelor's degree put in not only because  
13:30:57 13 it was the -- what Roger and the commission then had put in,  
13:31:02 14 but if you're looking at the police departments throughout the  
13:31:10 15 United States, those are becoming the minimum qualifications  
13:31:15 16 for any police chief in terms of educational requirements.  
13:31:20 17 And it's not to leave anybody out, but it is to make sure that  
13:31:26 18 the individuals, you know, are hopefully, you know, able to  
13:31:34 19 deal with complex problems and deal with planning and also  
13:31:40 20 deal with -- now, like you said, bachelor's degree is no  
13:31:47 21 guarantee, correct, of anything, but at the same time, it does  
13:31:53 22 set a floor for educational -- educational requirements going  
13:32:03 23 forward which is in line with other police departments  
13:32:06 24 throughout the country, so -- go ahead.

13:32:10 25 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: I understand what you're

13:32:12 1 saying, but, you know, our mayor and our council members don't  
13:32:18 2 even have to have a four-year college degree, you know. I'm  
13:32:23 3 just saying.

13:32:24 4 CHAIR DE REGO: Yeah, yeah, yeah.

13:32:32 5 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Go figure.

13:32:36 6 CHAIR DE REGO: Yeah, yeah. But it -- there is a  
13:32:41 7 significant difference. They're voted in office, this one  
13:32:45 8 we're hiring somebody, so that's the significant difference,  
13:32:49 9 yeah. So any -- those are -- you know, those are suggestions,  
13:32:56 10 you know. We can vote on those in terms of where people  
13:32:59 11 want -- what people want to do.

13:33:02 12 Chief, you had a comment on this?

13:33:09 13 CHIEF FAAUMU: Yes. Thank you, Chair. Thank you  
13:33:14 14 for allowing me to -- you know, I'm going to focus on  
13:33:30 15 education. I am a strong believer of higher education, and,  
13:33:36 16 you know, the workforce, your workforce now coming into the  
13:33:40 17 department, looking at just the current applicants, about 75  
13:33:46 18 percent of them are college grads. So, you know, patrol  
13:33:50 19 element, the rank and file, what you have is you're going -- a  
13:33:55 20 lot of them, even as patrol officers, have their masters with  
13:34:00 21 them. In fact, I know of one, I think a detective, is working  
13:34:06 22 on his Ph.D. So why is it so important to bring that up is as  
13:34:13 23 we -- as we move up the rank and everything, as the rank and  
13:34:18 24 file make their way up, there will be a clash on  
13:34:22 25 decision-making, you know, that will come into play, and

13:34:27 1 that's kind of what my concern is.

13:34:29 2 I know when I became a chief, I rose from the rank  
13:34:34 3 of captain and to the chief, and there was some discussion  
13:34:38 4 about that, but I can tell you this, and I can hang my hat on  
13:34:43 5 it, my undergrad is business management and my graduate degree  
13:34:49 6 was Homeland Security. And the reason why I did Homeland  
13:35:01 7 Security, it was the largest agency. It was created -- was  
13:35:08 8 created at that time, and I like to see the pros and cons of  
13:35:12 9 it. How I'm able to navigate through my position now is  
13:35:20 10 higher education, and that's what I can hang my hat on. You  
13:35:25 11 know, it got me through. And, of course, experience comes  
13:35:29 12 into play, the two of them play a big role, but higher  
13:35:33 13 education.

13:35:34 14 And I know there is some comments about meetings you  
13:35:39 15 attend. As you look at our state laws, there are board  
13:35:45 16 members -- there are state boards that you are required by  
13:35:49 17 statute, and your chief has to sit on it. In the mainland,  
13:35:55 18 it's the same throughout the Continental U.S., same -- same  
13:36:01 19 statute, but, of course, in the Continental U.S., most states  
13:36:06 20 have like hundred something or two hundred something  
13:36:09 21 departments, so what they'll do is they'll use the chief of  
13:36:13 22 the smaller department and make them go to those meetings.  
13:36:23 23 But in the state of Hawaii, there are only four of us. So I  
13:36:30 24 know we vote -- this year, I'll be a voting member and next  
13:36:36 25 year I will still sit on the same board, but I will be an

13:36:44 1 interested party. When you sit on those boards, most of the  
13:36:49 2 time is folks from different professions, either from  
13:36:56 3 department of education, department of health, from the public  
13:37:01 4 defenders, the prosecutor's office, then you have to engage  
13:37:07 5 because you are looking at funding that you -- you want. They  
13:37:11 6 only have so much that you got to deal with, so you look at  
13:37:16 7 some of the initiatives that come in front of you, and then  
13:37:25 8 you have to ask tough questions to the task force commanders  
13:37:30 9 or initiative leaders to make sure that when you vote on it,  
13:37:35 10 you will make the right decision.

13:37:38 11 Just a side note, I -- in the National Association  
13:37:42 12 of Chiefs of Police, I sit on the transnational crime  
13:37:52 13 committee where I met with folks from Japan, Germany, and  
13:38:00 14 throughout the globe. And my duty in the federal -- other  
13:38:06 15 federal position is the HIDTA. I also serve as the chairman  
13:38:12 16 for the budget committee for HIDTA and then on the state  
13:38:17 17 level, I am the vice chair for the POST, the Police Officers  
13:38:22 18 Standard Training, and we look at standards for -- for what  
13:38:26 19 the police departments throughout the county, the state need  
13:38:40 20 to adopt.

08:02:41 21 So you might be able to manage in -- within your  
08:02:48 22 organization, within your lane in your organization, but then  
08:02:55 23 your duty and responsibility -- you've gotta engage in the  
08:03:02 24 other duty and responsibility on another playing field that  
08:03:07 25 sometimes it was an eye-opener for me when I got in there, but

08:03:12 1 I was able to manage it through the six years, going on seven,  
08:03:17 2 and I still sit on those board all the way until the last day  
08:03:24 3 of my duty.

08:03:26 4 I hope that will help.

08:03:34 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Thank you, Chief.

08:03:39 6 So I have a suggestion. If people feel we are --  
08:03:50 7 oh, Commissioner Redeker. I notice you turned on your mic.  
08:04:00 8 Would you like to say something?

08:04:02 9 I was gonna ask -- my suggestion was gonna be can I  
08:04:08 10 go through everybody right now and actually ask you what you  
08:04:11 11 guys are thinking about moving forward right now? Right? So  
08:04:16 12 we've heard from Commissioner Kuwahara, we've heard from Vice  
08:04:21 13 Chair Patnode. So I would like to start with you,  
08:04:24 14 Commissioner Redeker, and then move to Commissioner Mano.  
08:04:28 15 This is all the people that -- in the line that I can see on  
08:04:33 16 the screen, right? So about your feelings about what we have  
08:04:40 17 here right before us. If we kind of looked at it before we  
08:04:44 18 got to the meeting, we got an idea of where this was going.  
08:04:52 19 If we take each document individually and make any changes to  
08:04:57 20 it, you know, we could do that today. If not, if you'd like  
08:05:06 21 to wait. So I just want to get a general idea of where people  
08:05:15 22 are at right now.

08:05:17 23 Okay, Commissioner Redeker.

08:05:20 24 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: I've got about three topics  
08:05:29 25 here real quick. Item No. 1, I really feel that the college

08:05:35 1 degree or a combination, an AA and the FBI, or education  
08:05:45 2 and -- some form of education and the FBI academy are  
08:05:50 3 extremely important. We are asking for officers at entry-  
08:05:56 4 level to come in educated and to come in with degrees, and if  
08:06:01 5 we say, no, you really don't have to have a degree, but you  
08:06:07 6 can lead this organization, I don't know whether that's gonna  
08:06:11 7 be sending the right message or not. I just don't. I  
08:06:16 8 don't -- I don't -- you know, in 1973, I became a police  
08:06:22 9 officer with a four-year college degree, and then I went on  
08:06:27 10 and got an advanced post certificate, and I continued to get  
08:06:36 11 further education and I went up to a master's level, and I was  
08:06:41 12 just a police officer. So my own personal belief is, is that  
08:06:47 13 I think we should get the very best qualified person we can.  
08:06:53 14 You originally were talking about setting a bar, and the bar  
08:06:58 15 is -- you want to set the bar in this level. Now do you want  
08:07:02 16 to lower the bar down to a lower level so we can get more  
08:07:07 17 applicants? I'm a little bothered by that. I think we should  
08:07:13 18 get the very best person that we can.

08:07:16 19 I'm glad that they've dropped the must be a resident  
08:07:20 20 of Hawaii so that we can look at other places. I think all of  
08:07:25 21 those places that you read, we should advertise in all of  
08:07:29 22 them, and not just once, but multiple times, to do multiple  
08:07:35 23 times. If you try to pass this -- this five items right now  
08:07:40 24 and then quick get something out, I think what we're doing is  
08:07:45 25 we're trying to say, Well, we've gotta have something before



08:07:51 1 he leaves or about the time he leaves, and there's nothing  
08:07:55 2 that says we have to do that. We have a deputy chief that can  
08:07:59 3 take over and so that we can make sure we get all of this  
08:08:03 4 right.

08:08:03 5 Now, the other problem I have is I'm sitting and  
08:08:09 6 looking at all this stuff, and there's a tremendous amount of  
08:08:13 7 information. I picked up my packet two days ago from Amy.  
08:08:19 8 I've read through all of this, I've got some ideas, but we  
08:08:26 9 have a very large executive session pending in front of us  
08:08:30 10 still and to start going through all of this Hiring of the New  
08:08:38 11 Chief, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; that's gonna put the executive  
08:08:49 12 session very late today. Maybe on the next meeting, instead  
08:08:57 13 of starting it at two o'clock, we start it at one o'clock or  
08:09:03 14 start it at twelve o'clock so we would have more time to  
08:09:08 15 really look at this stuff and really discuss it in a very  
08:09:12 16 positive manner and in a very thorough manner to come up with  
08:09:16 17 some very good ideas.

08:09:22 18 If you're not gonna do a TIG, then you're gonna have  
08:09:28 19 a lot of opinions, and those opinions are gonna take time to  
08:09:34 20 go through to make sure everybody gets the time to voice their  
08:09:40 21 opinion, and then we negotiate through those opinions and  
08:09:45 22 figure out what is gonna be the very best thing for the  
08:09:49 23 citizens of Maui County. So that's my -- that's my thought,  
08:09:57 24 that's my concern. Certainly, you did a very good job, you  
08:10:01 25 put in a lot of information in there, you've covered a lot of

08:10:07 1 the stuff. I thought we were gonna be looking at a TIG to go  
08:10:12 2 through this; if we're not, then we're gonna need a whole lot  
08:10:19 3 more time than I think what we've got right now to discuss  
08:10:23 4 this.

08:10:25 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. I just want to clarify,  
08:10:27 6 whether or not we have a TIG is up to you guys. I just said  
08:10:33 7 there's two ways of doing this. I think we're gonna -- that's  
08:10:36 8 part of the discussion. But points well taken, Commissioner  
08:10:41 9 Redeker, on -- on that, but I'm waiting for the commission's  
08:10:45 10 pleasure and trying to kind of develop some consensus here of  
08:10:50 11 where we'd like to go. So that's why I'm asking everybody  
08:10:55 12 where they're at presently.

08:10:57 13 Okay. Commissioner Mano.

08:11:01 14 COMMISSIONER MANO: (Breaking up throughout.) I  
08:11:03 15 pretty much agree with Mark regarding the educational  
08:11:11 16 procedure. And the reason why I say that, it's just like when  
08:11:16 17 you hire in the county, a lot of the higher-ups actually has  
08:11:27 18 to be educated, in other words, to get their position and  
08:11:34 19 their jobs and stuff. When I was hired at the county, I was a  
08:11:39 20 laborer for the wastewater department and to get my license, I  
08:11:44 21 had to get educated, then I had to take the test. In other  
08:11:50 22 words, if you don't have the license, then you cannot run the  
08:11:53 23 plant. So I had to do that and it took me about seven to  
08:11:57 24 eight years to do it while I was working for the county.

08:12:00 25 The county pretty much allowed us to take classes so

08:12:06 1 that we can take the test so that we can be certified as  
08:12:09 2 operators, as a wastewater treatment plant operator. And the  
08:12:15 3 reason why they do that is because by law, we are -- actually,  
08:12:21 4 during the Environmental Protection Agency, we can get a jail  
08:12:28 5 term -- or have and they can be both. So education is very  
08:12:34 6 important. From what I see, the higher the education, the  
08:12:41 7 more time that person can deal with the people that he leads  
08:12:42 8 in his organization. When I became a supervisor because of my  
08:12:50 9 education, I was able to lead my people so that I can train  
08:12:56 10 them for -- and I can also do and get them educated so they  
08:13:02 11 can take my place. I retired last year and I had -- the  
08:13:07 12 person that took my -- within the opportune time. So now he's  
08:13:14 13 working there and he's the supervisor.

08:13:19 14 But I believe in the educational system, where  
08:13:22 15 this -- the degrees are very important because of the people  
08:13:31 16 that he deals with not just at the state, not with just the  
08:13:36 17 county, but you're looking at the federal and when you deal  
08:13:41 18 with the federal, education is very important. I know we have  
08:13:45 19 people out there that can probably handle the job, but when  
08:13:51 20 you're talking about police officer, they go through a lot of  
08:13:55 21 strange stress, into a lot of psychological things that can  
08:14:00 22 happen on the job. So I do agree with Mark.

08:14:06 23 And I don't know if we should delay this or  
08:14:09 24 anything, but I leave it up to the rest of the commission.  
08:14:13 25 You know, this is a very important position that we are gonna

08:14:17 1 hire another police chief. We want to make the right choice  
08:14:21 2 because it's on our hands and on our heads and I don't  
08:14:29 3 (inaudible) --

08:14:31 4 CHAIR DE REGO: (Inaudible.)

08:14:33 5 COMMISSIONER MANO: Okay? But that's all I've got  
08:14:36 6 to say. That's my opinion, now. Thank you.

08:14:40 7 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So what would be your --  
08:14:42 8 okay. And I've gotta go back and ask Commissioner Redeker  
08:14:49 9 this. What was your impression, should we be working through  
08:14:54 10 this as a whole commission or do you believe that it would be  
08:14:59 11 better off to have a TIG? Okay? Just a reminder, a TIG would  
08:15:04 12 form itself, it would work on stuff and then it would have to  
08:15:08 13 report, so we always have these three steps we have to do. As  
08:15:14 14 the commission, we're much more free to do the work as it  
08:15:18 15 happens, you know. But the TIG has its advantage that they  
08:15:24 16 would take a bunch of the work, get it done, and then, you  
08:15:28 17 know, present it to all the commissioners. So I'm just trying  
08:15:32 18 to get people's sense of that as well.

08:15:35 19 So what would be your -- Commissioner Redeker, go  
08:15:39 20 ahead.

08:15:39 21 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Well, my problem with the TIG  
08:15:43 22 is, is that we -- you know, by the time you formulate the TIG  
08:15:52 23 and then you've gotta wait 30 days and then you've gotta --  
08:15:57 24 you know, we're gonna be way down the road. I mean, I would  
08:16:02 25 have no problem going through this as a complete commission,

08:16:08 1 but I think --

08:16:09 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Right.

08:16:11 3 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: -- our time is nigh today.

08:16:15 4 And I think that what we do --

08:16:18 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Right.

08:16:20 6 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: -- is we say, okay, the next  
08:16:25 7 meeting we're gonna have to formalize all of this stuff and  
08:16:33 8 give everybody a chance to talk about this stuff and for us to  
08:16:37 9 come to --

08:16:39 10 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay.

08:16:42 11 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: -- to a consensus on this  
08:16:46 12 stuff. And I think instead of starting at, you know, at 3:30  
08:16:57 13 or 4:00 in the afternoon, I think we ought to be starting it,  
08:17:03 14 you know, at 11:00 in the morning or something like that, so  
08:17:09 15 we have enough time to really go through and hash this all  
08:17:13 16 out. If we do that at the next meeting, we could then give  
08:17:17 17 corp. counsel their marching orders as to say this is the date  
08:17:23 18 you're gonna start on this, 'cause this is what we've come up  
08:17:29 19 with. So I think it would be better to go down that road, I  
08:17:34 20 really do. The TIG --

08:17:37 21 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay.

08:17:38 22 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: The TIG -- when they selected  
08:17:41 23 the last chief, they had something similar to a TIG and it was  
08:17:46 24 a good idea, but because we're limited as to what we can do  
08:17:51 25 every 30 days, I think we should do it as a -- as a commission

08:17:56 1 and all and what we should -- we should get a more timely  
08:18:02 2 capability of doing that.

08:18:04 3 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner  
08:18:06 4 Redeker.

08:18:07 5 I'm gonna go back to Commissioner Mano, TIG or whole  
08:18:16 6 commission? I'm just trying to get --

08:18:22 7 COMMISSIONER MANO: Commission.

08:18:25 8 CHAIR DE REGO: -- some consensus here. Commission?

08:18:31 9 COMMISSIONER MANO: (Gesturing.)

08:18:33 10 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Commissioner Rodrigues, any  
08:18:39 11 ideas on any of the things we've been talking about right now?

08:18:45 12 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Yes. I agree with Bobbie  
08:18:48 13 and Janet, I feel job experience, you know, working out for  
08:18:53 14 the department, job experience take place of education.

08:18:57 15 Because it's not fair for the person like -- you know how much  
08:19:01 16 college costs nowadays, people are still paying for their  
08:19:06 17 college, you know, loans. So we've gonna punish somebody  
08:19:14 18 because, oh, I didn't have money, my parents didn't have money  
08:19:23 19 for send me to college, so I don't have a college degree, so I  
08:19:29 20 can't, you know, apply to be a chief or, you know, this higher  
08:19:34 21 thing because of that. So we're punishing them. So that's my  
08:19:39 22 opinion.

08:19:40 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner  
08:19:44 24 Rodrigues. And as versus a TIG as versus a whole commission?

08:19:57 25 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: I think, you know, this has

08:20:08 1 gotta be the whole commission, my -- my opinion.

08:20:15 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Thank you.

08:20:18 3 Commissioner Sylva.

08:20:21 4 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: The commission.

08:20:27 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. And any -- any other comments  
08:20:30 6 on anything else that's been said today? (Inaudible.)

08:20:35 7 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: I kind of feel it wouldn't be  
08:20:37 8 fair for me to decide on that since, you know, I'm probably  
08:20:42 9 not gonna be part of the process.

08:20:47 10 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. But your wisdom is always  
08:20:50 11 appreciated.

08:20:52 12 (Laughter.)

08:20:56 13 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: I kind of feel the education is  
08:20:59 14 important and I agree with the chief and Mark on that.

08:21:03 15 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So refer -- I'm gonna come  
08:21:10 16 back to you, Janet, and Vice Chair Patnode. Commissioner  
08:21:15 17 Kuwahara. But Commissioner Leach.

08:21:18 18 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Yeah, a couple of comments. I  
08:21:20 19 agree with the commissioners, I think the minimum would be a  
08:21:24 20 bachelor's degree, that's just sets a good example for  
08:21:30 21 everyone in the department. And also the job description and  
08:21:36 22 the duties and responsibilities that we were sent out in our  
08:21:40 23 packet, I don't think we need to reinvent the wheel. It  
08:21:44 24 worked last time, I think we can use that material for the new  
08:21:48 25 hire.

08:21:50 1 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Yes. And thank you for  
08:21:52 2 pointing that out. A lot of this is not reinventing the  
08:21:57 3 wheel. We took this a lot from what the last commission did  
08:22:01 4 in hiring the chief. They did a good job, very thorough in  
08:22:06 5 terms of the documents that they came up with, yeah.

08:22:08 6 So Commissioner Kuwahara and Commissioner Patnode,  
08:22:13 7 do you got any kind of thoughts here on this, especially the  
08:22:18 8 TIG versus the whole commission working on this?

08:22:28 9 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: (Gesturing.)

08:22:30 10 CHAIR DE REGO: Go ahead, Commissioner Patnode.  
08:22:33 11 Vice Chair Patnode.

08:22:35 12 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: I still think that we could  
08:22:40 13 modify the requirement a little bit so it was a combination of  
08:22:46 14 degrees and experience. And the reason I say that is because  
08:22:50 15 there may be an ideal candidate out there that we would  
08:22:56 16 prevent ourselves from hiring if we didn't allow for some  
08:23:00 17 flexibility here. I agree, I think that the education is  
08:23:05 18 gonna only help our new chief in their role, but I want to  
08:23:10 19 make sure that we don't prevent ourselves from being able to  
08:23:14 20 hire somebody. And I guess ultimately, the charter does  
08:23:20 21 control that because the charter doesn't say they have to have  
08:23:23 22 a degree. We would have to amend the charter to require that.  
08:23:28 23 But we could -- you know, it says, We are seeking applicants  
08:23:32 24 with the following, so we could ask for what we want.

08:23:35 25 And I do think it's -- would help -- be helpful for



08:23:40 1 our whole commission because, you know, the TIG does have  
08:23:45 2 particular requirements. And I -- also, we've got a lot of  
08:23:52 3 good minds in our whole commission, I'd want to hear from  
08:24:01 4 everybody. To me, this is one of the biggest responsibilities  
08:24:07 5 we could have as a commission, is to hire a chief that's good  
08:24:10 6 for Maui, so I want -- I would like to see everybody have the  
08:24:15 7 opportunity to be a part of that. And that's all.

08:24:19 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.

08:24:27 9 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: I agree. I think it should  
08:24:30 10 be the whole commission that does the job. And, you know, I  
08:24:35 11 have no problem with education, education is a great thing  
08:24:39 12 and -- but like Bobbie said, I think we shouldn't put  
08:24:44 13 ourselves in a corner. Because what if we do get a really  
08:24:51 14 good applicant and he only has like maybe an associate's  
08:24:56 15 degree or something and, you know, we feel that he's got the  
08:25:01 16 strengths to do the job. I just -- I think that, you know, we  
08:25:06 17 can do the and/or and I feel that it's up to us to decide  
08:25:11 18 who's the right candidate, not necessarily just the  
08:25:21 19 educational part. And, yeah, we should have some education in  
08:25:27 20 there, but I don't think we should put ourselves in a corner.

08:25:35 21 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Thank you.

08:25:38 22 So I have been hearing everybody and, actually, I do  
08:25:44 23 agree with the Commissioner Redeker that, you know, we're sort  
08:25:51 24 of, you know -- I don't want to -- I don't want this chair to  
08:25:55 25 put anybody under the gun in terms of like we have to make a

08:26:01 1 decision right now in terms of these documents. It seems  
08:26:07 2 there's a major disagreement -- not a major disagreement, but  
08:26:12 3 a difference of nuance in terms of how we do the combination  
08:26:17 4 of education and experience, maybe that's something we need to  
08:26:20 5 think about perhaps some language and then have a vote.  
08:26:24 6 Right? But we're not gonna be able to do that right now. As  
08:26:28 7 Commissioner Redeker points out, you know, there might be some  
08:26:32 8 time, some need to relook at some of these things and then  
08:26:38 9 vote on it on the next meeting and then -- and then give  
08:26:43 10 the -- the corporation counsel and the administration a chance  
08:26:48 11 to kind of just go ahead and start the process.

08:26:52 12 So would anybody have an objection about deferring  
08:26:55 13 these particular issues to the next meeting on hiring of the  
08:26:59 14 police chief? We -- please work on language, you know,  
08:27:04 15 suggestions, think about it, look at the application letters.  
08:27:08 16 We're gonna ask us to vote the next time on the -- if you guys  
08:27:13 17 agree on the form and substance of the letters and -- and  
08:27:19 18 leave it to, let's say, corporation counsel or myself to deal  
08:27:27 19 with the stylistic issues like, for instance, the police  
08:27:35 20 chief's salary is now \$158,000 per annum, okay, it's not 135.  
08:27:44 21 So all of those little changes, you know, the commas, the  
08:27:49 22 periods. But any substance like this particular issue would  
08:27:54 23 be decided by the commission. Okay?

08:27:58 24 And then we can talk about the dates. Now,  
08:28:03 25 corporation counsel did tell you that the first publication

08:28:06 1 date, that they set 45 days from the first publication date  
08:28:14 2 there would be -- there would be the end of the application  
08:28:18 3 period. The first -- from the first publication, but they did  
08:28:22 4 publish it every two weeks. The strange thing about that is  
08:28:27 5 that the 45-day period started at the first day of  
08:28:33 6 application, okay, not the last time, no. The first period of  
08:28:39 7 publication, not the last period of publication. Okay? So  
08:28:43 8 that left whoever was coming in at the end a short window, if  
08:28:49 9 they saw the -- the announcement, to be able to submit an  
08:28:54 10 application. So that's something else we're gonna have to  
08:28:58 11 talk about is, you know, when does the gun start for, you  
08:29:02 12 know, the end of accepting applications, is it at the third if  
08:29:07 13 we decide to do this more than once? We're only required to  
08:29:15 14 do it once, but, you know, if we're gonna do it more than  
08:29:22 15 once, do we allow people the 45 days from the last time we  
08:29:28 16 advertised, or is it from the first time we advertised? So  
08:29:36 17 that's another issue that we're gonna have to look at as well.

08:29:41 18 So -- but -- so what -- so without objection, I'm  
08:29:48 19 gonna ask -- and if there is an objection -- I would ask the  
08:29:54 20 commission to defer this matter to the next meeting. Do I  
08:30:01 21 hear any objections? But please come prepared with any -- or  
08:30:06 22 send in your suggestions to Amy, right, for wording and things  
08:30:10 23 like that so we can set ourselves up to be able to work on  
08:30:15 24 this together at our next meeting.

08:30:17 25 Would there be any objection to deferring this

08:30:20 1 matter to the next meeting?

08:30:23 2 (No response.)

08:30:25 3 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So hearing none, let's defer  
08:30:30 4 this business and the documents to our next meeting.

08:30:34 5 Okay. Thank you guys very much. I know this is a  
08:30:40 6 tough discussion and, you know, this is gonna be a -- you  
08:30:44 7 know, a long process for all of us, but it was nice to hear  
08:30:48 8 all of you. I'm always sensitive to making sure everybody  
08:30:54 9 says something about what's -- how we operate going forward,  
08:30:59 10 so I really appreciate all the -- the input. Okay?

08:31:03 11 So without objection, we'll defer this item to the  
08:31:07 12 next meeting and then -- but with the idea that we'll be  
08:31:11 13 taking some votes at the next meeting, even if we still  
08:31:15 14 disagree, and then we'll -- the -- you know, the die will be  
08:31:23 15 cast or the cards will be where they lie, right, you know, in  
08:31:30 16 regards to that. So I'm mixing all these metaphors, so --

08:31:40 17 Go ahead.

08:31:41 18 But, yeah. So, yep, we'll defer this. Okay.

08:31:49 19 So with reference -- so we'll move on to the next,  
08:31:57 20 which is executive session. With reference to the agenda  
08:32:00 21 items listed on the executive session item below, executive  
08:32:06 22 meetings will be conducted, pursuant to Section 92-5(a),  
08:32:15 23 Hawaii Revised Statutes, to consider the hire, evaluation,  
08:32:21 24 dismissal, or discipline of an officer or employee or of  
08:32:28 25 charges brought against the officer or employee, where

08:32:33 1 consideration of matters affecting privacy will be involved;  
08:32:40 2 and to consult with the board's attorney on questions and  
08:32:45 3 issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges,  
08:32:50 4 immunities, and liabilities.

08:32:53 5 With that announcement, the chair will entertain a  
08:32:59 6 motion to move into executive session.

08:33:05 7 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: (Gesturing.)

08:33:06 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Commissioner Redeker has  
08:33:09 9 moved that we move into executive session. Is there a second?

08:33:15 10 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: I second. Bobbie.

08:33:19 11 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Patnode seconds. Vice  
08:33:26 12 Chair Patnode seconds. Okay. Any discussion?

08:33:33 13 (No response.)

08:33:34 14 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So let me go down the list.  
08:33:38 15 Vice Chair -- I've got my list here. I know all of you, but  
08:33:44 16 it's like -- let's see. Vice Chair Patnode.

08:33:47 17 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Aye.

08:33:48 18 CHAIR DE REGO: Vice chair -- Commissioner Kuwahara.

08:33:51 19 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Aye.

08:33:52 20 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

08:33:54 21 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Aye.

08:33:55 22 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano.

08:33:57 23 COMMISSIONER MANO: Yes.

08:33:59 24 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Redeker.

08:34:02 25 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Aye.

08:34:03 1 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Rodrigues.

08:34:06 2 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Aye.

08:34:07 3 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Santiago is excused.

08:34:12 4 Commissioner Sylva.

08:34:15 5 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Aye.

08:34:16 6 CHAIR DE REGO: And the chair votes aye as well.

08:34:21 7 Okay. So I'll give you guys a few minutes. Why don't -- why

08:34:26 8 don't we take a break a little bit, so why don't -- unless you

08:34:34 9 guys want to go directly -- you guys want to take like about

08:34:40 10 three or four minutes just to kind of decompress?

08:34:44 11 (Gesturing.)

08:34:45 12 CHAIR DE REGO: Yeah. Yeah. What about five

08:34:49 13 minutes? We'll meet in executive session and -- yeah, Matt's

08:34:54 14 got the good idea. We've gotta stretch and move around a

08:35:02 15 little. Okay. So we'll see you in executive session in about

08:35:07 16 five minutes. Okay. Thank you.

08:35:11 17 (Pause in Proceedings: 3:56 p.m.-5:45 p.m.)

08:36:41 18 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. It is now 5:45 p.m. on

08:36:47 19 March 17th, 2021. I call the regular session of the Maui

08:36:58 20 Police Commission back into order. I have to take the role.

08:37:02 21 Vice Chair Patnode.

08:37:05 22 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Here.

08:37:06 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.

08:37:09 24 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Here.

08:37:10 25 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

08:37:13 1 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Here.

08:37:14 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano.

08:37:16 3 COMMISSIONER MANO: Here.

08:37:17 4 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Redeker.

08:37:20 5 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Here.

08:37:21 6 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Rodrigues.

08:37:23 7 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Here.

08:37:25 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Santiago is excused.

08:37:29 9 Commissioner Sylva.

08:37:31 10 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Here.

08:37:32 11 CHAIR DE REGO: And the chair is here. So thank you

08:37:34 12 very much for all your patience as we worked through our

08:37:39 13 technical difficulties. I would now entertain a motion to

08:37:46 14 ratify all actions taken in executive session.

08:37:54 15 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: (Gesturing.)

08:37:55 16 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Patnode has made a

08:37:58 17 motion to ratify all actions taken in executive session. So

08:38:05 18 moved. Okay. Second?

08:38:10 19 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: (Gesturing.)

08:38:12 20 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Commissioner Kuwahara has

08:38:16 21 seconded the motion to ratify all actions taken in executive

08:38:21 22 session. Any discussion?

08:38:26 23 (No response.)

08:38:26 24 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Hearing none, we'll take the

08:38:29 25 vote. Vice Chair Patnode.

08:38:34 1 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Aye.

08:38:35 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.

08:38:40 3 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Aye.

08:38:41 4 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

08:38:42 5 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Aye.

08:38:43 6 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano.

08:38:46 7 COMMISSIONER MANO: Aye.

08:38:47 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Redeker.

08:38:50 9 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Aye.

08:38:52 10 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Rodrigues.

08:38:54 11 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Aye.

08:38:55 12 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Santiago is excused.

08:39:01 13 Commissioner Sylva.

08:39:03 14 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Aye.

08:39:05 15 CHAIR DE REGO: And the chair votes aye. Okay.

08:39:10 16 Just an announcement, the agenda setting. The next

08:39:17 17 meeting of the Maui Police Commission is scheduled for April

08:39:22 18 21st, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.

08:39:27 19 So without further ado, do I hear a motion to

08:39:31 20 adjourn this meeting?

08:39:34 21 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: (Gesturing.)

08:39:36 22 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Commissioner Redeker has made

08:39:38 23 a motion to adjourn the meeting. Do I hear a second?

08:39:43 24 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: (Gesturing.)

08:39:44 25 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Patnode has seconded --



08:39:48 1 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Second.

08:39:50 2 CHAIR DE REGO: -- the motion. Okay. Good. Thank

08:39:54 3 you. Any discussion?

08:39:57 4 (No response.)

08:39:59 5 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Yes, Commissioner Kuwahara,

08:40:04 6 would you like to say something?

08:40:06 7 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: So you're gonna get back

08:40:09 8 with us about the dates for extra meetings, correct?

08:40:13 9 CHAIR DE REGO: Yes, I will get back for an extra

08:40:16 10 meeting, yes, going forward. It may not be the next -- let's

08:40:24 11 see. I will try as much as possible to try to schedule us for

08:40:29 12 early April, if that's okay, if that's what you guys want to

08:40:34 13 do. Go ahead.

08:40:37 14 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Or a couple weeks.

08:40:40 15 CHAIR DE REGO: Or a couple of weeks. Okay. So we

08:40:43 16 may have just our regular meeting on the 21st and then start

08:40:48 17 in May having the -- the every -- so that will give us a long

08:40:55 18 lead time to adjust schedules.

08:41:00 19 Commissioner -- Vice Chair Patnode. I'm sorry.

08:41:06 20 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: I just wanted to say, I'm

08:41:09 21 not -- absolutely not able on April 7th and I am be off island

08:41:15 22 for pretty much the rest of the month of April. But I will

08:41:20 23 still --

08:41:20 24 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay.

08:41:21 25 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: -- do the BlueJeans anyway at

08:41:25 1 my house there.

08:41:27 2 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay, okay. Thank you for that  
08:41:29 3 heads-up. So, yeah, so what we can do, maybe, is to set up  
08:41:36 4 the two meetings a month maybe starting in May and just keep  
08:41:41 5 our April 21st meeting. Is that sort of my -- some nods of  
08:41:47 6 heads? Does that sound like a good plan?

08:41:52 7 (Gesturing.)

08:41:53 8 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Good, good. I think -- I  
08:41:58 9 think we can start that. Okay.

08:42:00 10 So let's take the vote for adjournment. Vice Chair  
08:42:07 11 Patnode.

08:42:07 12 VICE CHAIR PATNODE: Aye.

08:42:08 13 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Kuwahara.

08:42:10 14 COMMISSIONER KUWAHARA: Aye.

08:42:11 15 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Leach.

08:42:13 16 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Aye.

08:42:14 17 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Mano.

08:42:17 18 COMMISSIONER MANO: Aye. (Laughing.)

08:42:18 19 CHAIR DE REGO: Did I skip somebody again? Did I  
08:42:27 20 skip somebody? No, no, I didn't.

08:42:30 21 Okay. Commissioner Redeker.

08:42:32 22 COMMISSIONER REDEKER: Aye.

08:42:34 23 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Rodrigues.

08:42:36 24 COMMISSIONER RODRIGUES: Aye.

08:42:37 25 CHAIR DE REGO: Commissioner Santiago is excused.

08:42:43 1 Commissioner Sylva.

08:42:46 2 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Aye.

08:42:47 3 CHAIR DE REGO: Your last aye to adjourn the  
08:42:53 4 meeting. There we go. And the chair also votes aye.

08:42:59 5 Thank you guys very much for all your patience today  
08:43:03 6 and it was a -- it was a long meeting and a good -- but a good  
08:43:08 7 agenda and a lot of good discussion. So I really appreciate  
08:43:12 8 all of you. It's really, really good to have good  
08:43:19 9 commissioners to work with, so -- and best of luck, Sharen.

08:43:24 10 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Thank you.

08:43:25 11 CHAIR DE REGO: We've got that rain check on the  
08:43:29 12 lunch, right?

08:43:32 13 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: That's right.

08:43:32 14 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. Yeah, yeah. So we've  
08:43:36 15 gotta --

08:43:37 16 COMMISSIONER SYLVA: Hey, Randol, I've gotta tell  
08:43:43 17 you something after.

08:43:44 18 COMMISSIONER LEACH: Okay. I'll stay on.

08:43:47 19 CHAIR DE REGO: Okay. So thank you all very much  
08:43:49 20 and we're adjourned.

09:41:33 21 (The proceedings were adjourned at 5:50 p.m.)

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