

**COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI**  
**PUBLIC WORKS AND**  
**FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

October 19, 2007

**Committee**  
**Report No.**

07-117

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

Chair and Members:

Your Public Works and Facilities Committee, having met on October 3, 2007, makes reference to County Communication No. 07-272, from the Economic Development Coordinator, transmitting a proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND DESIGNATION OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS A 'PRESERVE AMERICA COMMUNITY'".

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize the application and designation of the County as a "Preserve America Community" to improve the County's ability to protect and promote its historical resources.

By correspondence dated October 2, 2007, the Economic Development Coordinator transmitted the following: (1) an overview of the "Preserve America" initiative; (2) a copy of the application submitted for the "Preserve America" designation, which is pending adoption of a Council resolution; and (3) a sample of "Preserve America" grants funded in Fiscal Year 2007.

At its meeting, your Committee met with the Economic Development Coordinator and two Deputy Corporation Counsel.

Your Committee received public testimony from one individual who spoke in favor of the proposed resolution.

The Economic Development Coordinator provided an overview of the "Preserve America" initiative and outlined possible benefits available to the County. She informed your Committee that this year, the program offered a total of \$5 million in grants, ranging from \$20,000 to \$150,000.

Your Committee questioned the process used to access the grants and the accountability and reporting requirements. Your Committee suggested that the application would be strengthened by including more descriptive sections for the islands of Lanai and Molokai. Your Committee discussed the importance of being kept informed of various proposals that may result from this designation.

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The Economic Development Coordinator agreed to provide the Council with further details about this process. She stressed that the proposed resolution is only the first step, and that prior to any commitment on the part of the County, additional resolutions would need to be adopted by the Council.

Your Committee recommended a nonsubstantive revision to the proposed resolution.

Your Committee voted to recommend adoption of the revised proposed resolution and filing of the communication.

Your Committee is in receipt of a revised proposed resolution incorporating the nonsubstantive revision recommended by your Committee.

Your Public Works and Facilities Committee **RECOMMENDS** the following:

1. That Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_, as revised herein and attached hereto, entitled "AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND DESIGNATION OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS A 'PRESERVE AMERICA COMMUNITY'", be **ADOPTED**; and
2. That County Communication No. 07-272 be **FILED**.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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