## COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

## **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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

Chair and Members:

Your Budget and Finance Committee, having met on February 21, 2008, makes reference to County Communication No. 08-38, from the Budget Director, transmitting a proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2008 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING".

The purpose of the proposed bill is to amend Appendix A, Part I, of the Fiscal Year 2008 Budget, relating to grant revenues, as it pertains to the Department of Planning by appropriating \$250,000 for the "Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Map Study".

Your Committee notes that FEMA, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, administers the National Flood Insurance Program. A critical component of that program is identification and mapping of the nation's floodplains.

At its meeting, your Committee met with the Budget Director; the Deputy Director of Planning; a Planner, Department of Planning; and the First Deputy Corporation Counsel.

There was no public testimony.

The Deputy Director stated that FEMA has approved a \$250,000 grant to the County of Maui for flood insurance studies to develop the base flood elevations for the following: (1) the coastal areas of Lanai in case of a tsunami; and (2) the Mokuhau area of Iao Stream in case of a levee failure.

The Planner identified the specific levee in the Mokuhau area that is of concern. He explained that the levee is adjacent to and protects a densely populated area.

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The Deputy Director explained that the Department of Planning intends to expand the scope of the County's Digital Flood Mapping Study to complete the work to be done under this Federal grant.

Your Committee recommended that the proposed bill be revised to incorporate pending budget amendments and make any nonsubstantive revisions as required.

Your Committee voted to recommend passage of the revised proposed bill and filing of the communication.

Your Committee is in receipt of a revised proposed bill incorporating your Committee's recommendations.

Your Budget and Finance Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

- 1. That Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (2008), as revised herein and attached hereto, entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2008 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING", be PASSED ON FIRST READING and be ORDERED TO PRINT; and
- 2. That County Communication No. 08-38 be FILED.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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