

WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Council of the County of Maui

Meeting Agenda

August 16, 2006

9:00 a.m.

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POOKELA WELL

DESCRIPTION: The Committee is in receipt of County Communication No. 05-44, from Councilmember Michelle Anderson, relating to the status of the Pookela Well.

STATUS: The Committee may discuss the status of the Pookela Well. The Committee may also consider the filing of County Communication No. 05-44 and other related action.

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HAMAKUAPOKO WELLS

DESCRIPTION: The Committee is in receipt of the following:

1. County Communication No. 05-356, from Councilmember Michelle Anderson, relating to the Hamakuapoko Wells (located in the Paia-Haiku Community Plan Area).
2. Resolution No. 06-39, entitled "URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY TO DISCONTINUE PLANS TO USE THE HAMAKUAPOKO WELLS FOR DRINKING WATER", adopted on April 21, 2006.

STATUS: The Committee may discuss the status of the Hamakuapoko Wells. The Committee may also consider the filing of County Communication No. 05-356 and other related action.

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WR-1 WATER SUPPLY RULES

- DESCRIPTION:** The Committee is in receipt of the following:
1. County Communication No. 05-46, from Councilmember Michelle Anderson, relating to Water Supply Rules.
 2. Correspondence dated February 9, 2005, from the Chair of the Committee, transmitting a document entitled "Rules and Regulations of the Department of Water Supply" <<http://www.mauiwater.org/rules.html>>.
 3. Recommended Water Resources Committee Report No. 06-59, dated April 21, 2006, recommending passage on first reading of a proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 2.88A, MAUI COUNTY CODE, AND AMENDING TITLE 14, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO THE COUNTY WATER CODE". The purpose of the proposed bill is to establish the County Water Code in Article 1 in Title 14 of the Maui County Code, including a provision that water from wells located in a contaminated aquifer underneath active agriculture shall not be provided for human consumption.
 4. Correspondence dated August 1, 2006, from the Department of the Corporation Counsel, transmitting a draft bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 14, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO PUBLIC SERVICES". The purpose of the draft bill is to establish the County Water Code in Article 1 in Title 14 of the Maui County Code.

STATUS: The Committee may consider whether to recommend passage of the proposed bill or the draft bill on first reading, with or without revisions. The Committee may also consider the filing of County Communication No. 05-46 and Committee Report No. 06-59 and other related action.

NOTE: With reference to this agenda item, one or more executive meetings are anticipated to consult with legal counsel on questions and issues pertaining to the powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities of the County, the Council, and the Committee, pursuant to Section 92-5(a)(4), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS); and to deliberate upon a matter that requires the consideration of information that must be kept confidential pursuant to a State or Federal law, or a court order, pursuant to Section 92-5(a)(8), HRS.

WR-19 SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR WATER-RELATED MATTERS

- DESCRIPTION:** The Committee is in receipt of the following:
1. County Communication No. 05-42, from Councilmember Michelle Anderson, transmitting copies of Resolution No. 03-146, Resolution No. 04-13, and Resolution No. 04-122, all pertaining to the employment of special counsel for water-related matters.
 2. Correspondence dated July 25, 2005, from the Chair of the Committee, requesting that the Corporation Counsel provide advice on whether the Council may continue maintaining the report, entitled "Maui Water Issues and Recommendations Regarding Questions Presented in Resolution 03-146", as a confidential document; if so, requesting the justification for maintaining its confidentiality; and asking how the Council can waive the attorney-client privilege to make the document available to the public.

STATUS: The Committee may discuss the matter. The Committee may also consider the filing of County Communication No. 05-42 and other related action.

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WATER USE AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN

DESCRIPTION:

The Committee is in receipt of the following:

1. County Communication No. 05-38, from Councilmember Michelle Anderson, relating to the Water Use and Development Plan required by Chapter 2.88A, Maui County Code, and Chapter 174C, Hawaii Revised Statutes (State Water Code).
2. Correspondence dated June 21, 2006, from the Chair of the Committee, transmitting a revised draft bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL OF WATER SOURCE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS WITH PRIVATE ENTITIES TO DEVELOP WATER RESOURCES". The purpose of the revised draft bill is to require Council approval of water source development agreements with private entities to develop water resources.

STATUS:

The Committee may receive an update from the Department of Water Supply regarding ongoing water resource projects. The Committee may also consider whether to recommend passage of the revised draft bill on first reading, with or without further revisions. The Committee may also consider the filing of County Communication No. 05-38 and other related action.

NOTE:

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