

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

# BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

January 16, 2004

Committee  
Report No.

04-7

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 December 16, 2003, makes reference to County Communication No. 03-266, from the Budget Director, transmitting a proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2004 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS".

The purpose of the proposed bill is to transfer \$100,000 from the Department of Public Works and Environmental Management's Administration and Engineering Program, Wastewater Fund, to the Capital Improvement Projects Wastewater Fund for the Kihei Wastewater Reclamation Facility (KWWRF) Access Improvements.

At its meeting, your Committee met with the Budget Director, the Director of Public Works and Environmental Management, the Wastewater Division Chief of the Department of Public Works and Environmental Management, and the First Deputy Corporation Counsel.

The Director of Public Works and Environmental Management explained that the County provided \$1 million toward improvements to Piilani Highway in Fiscal Year 2002. The agreement with the State did not include a left-turn storage lane into the access road to the KWWRF. However, he noted that the widening of Piilani Highway (Highway) to four lanes raised additional safety concerns, particularly at the entrance to the access road. The State approved a storage lane into the access road, but did not have the funds to pay for the project. The County and one of the private users of the access road, Goodfellow Brothers, Inc., agreed to share the cost of the project. The \$100,000 request is the County's share of access improvements.

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Your Committee expressed concern that the request for funding was submitted after the work was completed.

Your Committee recommended that the proposed bill be revised to correct the "TOTAL OPERATING APPROPRIATIONS" to "\$270,991,180" because of another pending budget amendment.

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

Your Committee notes that one Committee Member voted against the passage of the proposed bill on first reading due to safety concerns. Specifically, the Committee Member expressed concerns about the placement of hazard cones on the Highway, the need for an individual to direct traffic at the storage lane, and the high rate of speed of vehicles traveling on the Highway.

Your Committee is in receipt of a revised proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2004 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS", revising the total operating appropriations, and changing the year of the bill from "2003" to "2004".

Your Budget and Finance Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_ (2004), as revised herein and attached hereto, entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2004 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS", be PASSED ON FIRST READING and be ORDERED TO PRINT; and
2. That County Communication No. 03-266 be FILED.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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