

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

# BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

October 17, 2003

Committee  
Report No.

03-124

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 September 30, 2003, makes reference to County Communication No. 03-233, from the Budget Director, transmitting the following:

1. A proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, RELATING TO THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM".

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize acceptance of a \$72,999 grant from the State of Hawaii, Department of the Attorney General.

2. A proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2004 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY".

The purpose of the proposed bill is to amend Appendix A, Part I, of the Fiscal Year 2004 Budget, relating to grant revenues as it pertains to the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney by appropriating \$72,999 and by authorizing the hiring of 1.0 Limited Term Appointment (LTA) equivalent personnel to enhance community involvement in addressing crime and quality of life issues in Maui County as specified in the Edward Byrne Memorial State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance Program grant (Byrne Grant).

At its meeting, your Committee met with the Prosecuting Attorney, a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, and a Deputy Corporation Counsel.

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The Prosecuting Attorney stated that the overall purpose of the Byrne Grant is to create safer communities and improve the criminal justice system. She informed your Committee that the grant could be used to hire a deputy prosecuting attorney, purchase equipment, provide training and on-site observation, conduct interactive presentations with the community, and identify partnership opportunities in the community.

Your Committee viewed a computer-generated slide show entitled "COMMUNITY PROSECUTION, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, City and County of Honolulu" presented by the Prosecuting Attorney. Community Prosecution is a strategy that focuses on target areas in the community, which involves a long-term, proactive partnership among the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, law enforcement, the community and public and private organizations. The partnership would be guided by the community's needs. The State advisory body for the Byrne Grant has identified six funding priority areas: drug interdiction and treatment, juvenile crime, property crime, prison overcrowding, system improvement, and violent crime. The Prosecuting Attorney stated that the Kihei community was selected as the location for the pilot Community Prosecution project in Maui County.

After a brief discussion, your Committee voted to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution, passage of the proposed bill on first reading, and filing of the communication.

Your Budget and Finance Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_, attached hereto, entitled "AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, RELATING TO THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM", be ADOPTED;
2. That Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_ (2003), attached hereto, entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2004 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE PROSECUTING

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ATTORNEY”, be PASSED ON FIRST READING and be  
ORDERED TO PRINT; and

3.     That County Communication No. 03-233 be FILED.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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