

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

March 23, 2005

Committee
Report No.

05-37

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 March 1, 2005, makes reference to County Communication No. 05-66, from the Budget Director, transmitting the following:

1. A proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT OF FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, RELATING TO THE MAUI POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC INVESTIGATION".

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize acceptance of a \$25,000 grant from the State Department of Transportation for the "Maui Police Department Traffic Investigation" project.

2. A proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT OF FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) METHAMPHETAMINE GRANT".

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize acceptance of a \$32,983 grant from the State Department of the Attorney General for the "Hawaii Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Methamphetamine" project.

3. A proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2005 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE".

The purpose of the proposed bill is to amend Appendix A, Part I of the Fiscal Year 2005 Budget, relating to grant revenues as it

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pertains to the Department of Police, by appropriating \$25,000 for the "Maui Police Department Traffic Investigation" project and \$32,983 for the "Hawaii Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Methamphetamine" project.

At its meeting, your Committee met with the Budget Director, a Captain and a Lieutenant from the Department of Police, and the First Deputy Corporation Counsel.

There was no public testimony.

The Budget Director provided a revised proposed bill correcting a typographical error.

The Police Captain provided an overview of the methamphetamine grant. He explained that the State requested Federal funds for the "The Second 'Ice' Age: Education and Prevention" program, a program to advance community policing by adding community policing officers, enhancing crime-fighting technology, supporting crime prevention initiatives, and providing training and technical assistance. Of the total grant award, 80 percent will be used for public education and 20 percent will be used for enforcement. The City and County of Honolulu, the County of Kauai and the County of Maui are receiving funds for specific projects. He said that the Department of Police intends to work with and educate the local business community on drug use and prevention, and dealing with drug use among employees. In addition, the Department will continue to work with the public housing sector through family educational programs.

The Captain informed your Committee that a coalition of police personnel and members of the public was formed to address the issue of methamphetamine or "ice" in middle schools (grades six through eight). The program is called STRIVE (Stop The Rage of Ice Via Education).

With regard to the traffic investigation grant, the Lieutenant explained that funds would be used to purchase upgraded measuring/surveying instruments and two evidence data recorders. He stated that the equipment would be used to determine the cause and contributing circumstances of fatal and near-fatal motor vehicle crashes and would expedite the reopening of closed roadways.

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Your Committee noted that the proposed resolutions refer to the Department of Police by its informal name, the Maui Police Department. The First Deputy Corporation Counsel stated that the resolutions could be revised to refer to the Department of Police by its formal name as set forth in the County Charter with the more commonly-used name stated in parentheses.

Your Committee requested that the Department of the Corporation Counsel revise the first and second "WHEREAS" clauses in both resolutions to change "Maui Police Department" to "Department of Police".

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

Your Committee is in receipt of the revised proposed resolutions, approved as to form and legality by the Department of the Corporation Counsel, incorporating your Committee's recommendations.

Your Budget and Finance Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That Resolution No. _____, as revised herein and attached hereto, entitled "AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT OF FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE (MAUI POLICE DEPARTMENT) TRAFFIC INVESTIGATION PROJECT" be ADOPTED;
2. That Resolution No. _____, as revised herein and attached hereto, entitled "AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT OF FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) METHAMPHETAMINE PROJECT" be ADOPTED;
3. That Bill No. _____ (2005), as revised herein and attached hereto, entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2005 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF

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POLICE” be PASSED ON FIRST READING and be ORDERED TO
PRINT; and

4. That County Communication No. 05-66 be FILED.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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