

The departmental budget call-backs reconvened on April 16, 2013 at 1:21 p.m., and proceeded as follows:

Housing Agency

Honorable Tim Bynum (*present at 1:56 p.m.*)
Honorable Gary L. Hooser
Honorable Nadine Nakamura
Honorable JoAnn A. Yukimura
Honorable Jay Furfaro, Council Chair

Excused: Honorable Ross Kagawa
Honorable Mel Rapozo

Chair Furfaro: We are back from our lunch recess and it is our intent over the next three (3) hours to go through our Capital Improvement Project (CIP) targets and I would like to start with Housing. But before I do, Councilwoman Yukimura, you have a presentation?

Ms. Yukimura: No.

Chair Furfaro: No? In the questions? May I have representatives up from the Housing Department? If we need our CIP Manager to be up here too, that might be the best thing to do in case they have questions that can be referred to you, Mr. Suga. Scott and to the staff, so as we go through things, let us give a text head's up who is next as we get close to the conclusion. It is now 1:20 p.m. and I would hope we can cover what we need to do in Housing within one (1) hour. Do you have anything that you would like to share with us?

KAMUELA COBB-ADAMS, Housing Director: Our CIP Budget, as I understand, is we have one (1) item, two hundred seventy-three dollars (\$273,000) for Lima Ola project in 'Ele'ele. This is a project that was, I guess, we can start with the history and I think Gary is best because he was here throughout that history.

Chair Furfaro: Gary, you have the floor if you give us the history on one project that you have.

GARY MACKLER, Housing Development Coordinator: Thank you, Council Chair. Just as a backdrop of where this process started I am just going to review a few things with Council. In 2004, the average price of a single family home on Kaua'i was five hundred six thousand dollars (\$506,000) and rising rapidly. Along with those escalating home prices we saw that private development was moving ahead to develop market and resort housing in many places on our island in Po'ipū, Kaua'i Lagoons, Waipouli, and Princeville. Then Mayor Bryan Batiste, Councilmember, and Housing Agency representatives all expressed concern because the lack of affordable housing inventory on the island and the lack of opportunities for residents to participate. Essentially, Kaua'i residents were priced out of the housing market. Rents were also skyrocketing during that time. We were having a great deal of difficulty with our Section 8 participants. We were

giving them one hundred twenty (120) days to locate housing units for rent which many could not in that timeframe. Also, I can say firsthand, I know, because I took many of the call. We were getting frantic calls from long term renters who were being displaced by property owners who were deciding to sell is their residential property because of the large equity gains that could be had and we were losing long term renters who suddenly found themselves without any real good options to find new rentals. Essentially, the affordability gap was widening and County leaders saw that it had reached a point that necessitated adopting a more aggressive role in developing affordable housing. In November, 2004 Council adopted Resolution 2004-44 to acquire land for affordable housing. Council resolved to identify parcels in close proximity to infrastructure, to work in partnership with private organizations to develop land, and to land bank parcels if they could not immediately be develop for future development. In looking for suitable land the County contacted the State of Hawai'i. The Governor provided the County with a list of State land parcels, approximately seven (7) parcels, which were made available through Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) in 2006. In 2007 the Housing Agency received a list of twenty (20) potential sites for its consideration that had been sent over by the Council. In addition to that, the Administration continued to engage in discussion with large Kaua'i landowners like Grove Farm and A&B to seek out possible sites. In 2008 our Office informed Council we were in discussion with landowner and had reached tentative agreement as to price and acreage. The Council authorized us to proceed with the acquisition. That acquisition was completed in 2010. The County acquired a seventy-five (75) acre parcel in 'Ele'ele, now called Lima Ola. Based upon the main objective to increase affordable housing inventory, we based the selection of that property on following: I just want to run through a list of what was considered to make that decision. We looked at cost to acquire fee simple land at a discounted price. We looked at fact that we had a willing seller. We looked at the location of this land in relationship to an established community and as an extension of urban development as well as the ability to entitle this land. We looked at the proximity of the parcel to 'Ele'ele's commercial district, district, to 'Ele'ele schools, and other essential services in the area all within a half mile from the site. We looked at this land in proximity to infrastructure, in particular the municipal wastewater system, one of the County's four (4) systems, water lines, and road access. We looked at the topography of the land. This land averages less than five percent (5%) grade which makes it accessible and walk able. We looked at the elevation which ranges from one hundred seventy-five (175) feet to two hundred seventy-five (275) feet above mean sea level and the fact that there is no flood issues. We looked at the land's proximity to publication transportation as it is very close to the Kaunualii Highway and also distance to major employment centers like Po'ipū, like Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF). We also considered the size of the parcel. We needed a parcel to help us add sufficient inventory over time and land that could be phased to meet future demand. Those were mainly the things that we considered and I mentioned, we consummated the acquisition with Council's approval in 2010.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Since 2010 the County Agency then hired a consultant to do a planned community. So, they completed that master plan for Lima Ola and just over four hundred (400) units were designed. That master plan actually last year was awarded an award. I think we spoke about it yesterday, a planning award for the State. We are currently now budgeted and ready to move into what I would consider the

design phase. In that is the combination some of planning and planning where we are going to be carrying out environmental studies and entitlements. We are also going to finalize our market study, water master plan, and off-site design as well as on-site design. The intent to develop this land, there is a lot of, I think two-thirds of the headaches for developers or anyone to develop land is the entitlements, environmental, all these beginning processes of design and getting through permitting. So, where we see a lot of value, when Gary talked about costs, I think that they made a good decision because there is a lot of value in this land that we are going to realize from carrying out this process. A purchase price of two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) for seventy-five (75) acres, and we can do four hundred (400). If we increase the density even potentially more units than four hundred (400) units, there is a great amount of value there. By us leveraging our resources to entitle these lands and take care of the off-site infrastructure, we my believe we will gain partners to take care of the financing and costs for the on-site infrastructure, as well as the building. It is a proven development method that we have recently been using here in Kaua'i and throughout the State, Rice Camp is an excellent example of that, also Pa'anau II which was just completed where we leveraged our land entitlements and partnered with a private entity to come up with the additional financing. So with that, I kind of did a recent analysis to compare the feasibility and wondering if I could pass these out to Councilmembers. This sheet takes a little bit of explaining for you folks to get to used to it. But it shows County developed affordable housing in the last, I guess, since the last project in 1997 which was Kalepa I. If you look at the left column when I say, development type so we are not comparing apples and oranges, there are different types of development. The top one represent ours lot development which basically means and we have done lot development and sold them as fee simple, but what this represents is lot development of leasehold sale properties. Through our lot development we show the years. These are all 2010-2011 samples with two (2) different funding types. If you look at the first one using Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) funding, we purchased eight (8) units, did some rehabilitation if necessary, and sold them as leasehold parcels in order to maintain affordability for these homes. Our investment averaged about one hundred seventy-eight thousand dollars (\$178,000) per unit, investment/ subsidy. The reason why I say investment is because we still owns the land so it is a County asset. But our investment was about one hundred seventy-eight thousand dollars (\$178,000) and in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), one (1) unit was an average of one hundred ninety-four thousand dollars (\$194,000) with an average of about one hundred eighty thousand dollars (\$180,000) of County investment per unit. If you look at the next color it is kind of a pinkish color, project development County, line items four and five. That represents the County developing a project, one hundred percent (100%), we financed the project. We financed in 1997 Kalepa with Home Disaster funds, CIP Disaster, CDBG Disaster, and regular HOME funds. We financed one hundred percent (100%) of the project at ten million three hundred thousand dollars (\$10,300,000), those are sixty (60) units, and that cost about one hundred seventy-two thousand dollars (\$172,000) per unit. Kalepa IV much later, eleven (11) years later, and a little bit different project in the sense that we brought in the range of market and because of that we had to put more money because there was less Federal subsidy. Therefore it cost us about two hundred seventy-one thousand dollars (\$271,000) per unit and those are one hundred percent (100%) financed and so we carried that cost. If you look at green portion, this is when we are getting to our public/private partnership. Kalepa II and III, we brought down our investment

substantially from almost two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) down to seventy-eight thousand dollars (\$78,000) and seventy-two dollars (\$72) per unit for Kalepa II and III respectively. Rice Camp, we are projecting expending, even better if you look at the far right column, we are projected to spend sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) per unit and you have to take into account this is which costs are a little bit higher. Lima Ola, I have line items nine and ten, we are projected to take care of all of the off-site infrastructure and entitlements and on-site design of the infrastructure with about forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) per unit at four hundred (400) units and of course that number could go up or down, depending on the amount of units we do as well as value engineering that we can apply to the project. To be conservative because we are still just in the planning stage, I put a twenty percent (20%) contingency on line item ten. So, the budget went up from sixteen million dollars (\$16,000,000) to nineteen million dollars (\$19,000,000) for the County and that puts us at about forty-eight thousand dollars (\$48,000) per unit. I guess that kind of shows how we are basically, it is in line with our strategic plan. I think we are trying to leverage our money as much as possible to get more units for less money and private/public partnership is a great way to do that. If you look on items eleven and twelve, these are two (2) examples that we spoke on yesterday, policy. When you make policy, that in turn provides land dedication. If you look at land dedication, there is no value in the project because we are provided land dedication through a policy and because of that, we get much better ratios of County investment because there is a subsidy that comes out from a private developer. For Pa'anau II, Kukui'ula provide the land. There is no value in this analysis to that. But we ended up spending about fifty-four thousand dollars (\$54,000) per unit and we are projecting through Kolopua, the Princeville project, to only spend one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for forty-four (44) units which is seven percent (7%) of the total cost and that allows us to spend only twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) per unit which is awesome, very good. All of these represent projects that provide affordable housing in perpetuity. It is important because in order to do that, you do have to make investment into the land. You do not get that return like a developer. If we sold if fee simple, we would get the total return. In this case, we are investing for propriety and we are trying leverage this as much as possible. We believe that the Housing Agency, that if you look at the green and the purple, we acknowledge public/private partnership is essential because it gives us the best "bang for our buck." But we also acknowledge that we cannot just rely on policy only, that we have to take the lead and do development ourselves. But we should be doing both. We should be working on all facets with policy as well as developing on our own. I believe the future is to do a combination of this and Lima Ola falls into us taking the lead at County to develop affordable housing. That is kind of where we are right now and we would like to open it up for questions.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you very much for that presentation and the numbers are very impressive, that you have been able to demonstrate to us. Thank you.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Questions? This is the only CIP item Housing had on this year's CIP?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Hooser.

Mr. Hooser: On the cost estimate, this piece.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes.

Mr. Hooser: Going down the list, the planning contact, is that a Manager?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: I am sorry, that is a typo. I put this together in trying to – it is a contract. I apologize.

Mr. Hooser: To?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: That contract with R.M. Towill to do the planning.

Mr. Hooser: To do that planning for them?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes.

Mr. Hooser: Then the wastewater off-site and major roads, is that enough to service the project? Those are interior roads or are those exterior roads, the major roads?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: The major road is an interior road. So, these cost estimates came from R.M. Towill based on the plan. That major road, there is a Phase VI which the first thing we are going to do on this next phase is value engineer the project. I believe we can eliminate that major road which is the three million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$3,700,000). The reason why I think I left it in there is because there are some major roads that are part of Phase I and Phase V or IV that attach the project to the highway that I think we would share in. We eliminate the three million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$3,700,000), but reallocate that to these major roads because they put that in as a phase for the private entity to take which I do not think it is as realistic. I treat it, although it is on-site, it is kind of off-site infrastructure. So, that is kind of summary of that.

Mr. Hooser: The off-site water/off-site wastewater is what, up to the property line?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes.

Mr. Hooser: It is ready to put sewers and water lines inside. But this does not need any sort of water lines inside? It is just up to the edge of the property?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: In the development concept what we envision is when we get the entitlements done, of course they might not all happen all at one (1) phase, but as they are ready for phases, we do a request for proposal for developers that say this land entitled, has water and everything to your corner or wherever, and you are going to take care of this. We choose the developer based on a certain amount of criteria and some of that criteria is going to be how they finance it and what type of produce that they are issuing?

Mr. Hooser: The developer would do the interior roads and the interior water?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes. What this budget consists of is us designing the on-site. So, they do not have to pay for the design and the reason why we are taking that scenario is because this project is a multi-year project, multi-phase project. If we do not provide that design, we all feel that that the developer first thing is going to leave a lot of that on-site development for developers in five (5) and so we want to make sure it is fair. So, by us designing it, we kind of set the parameters as to each phase and how much they are going to have to invest into on-site infrastructure.

Mr. Hooser: Do you envision the developers selling vacant lots or building turnkey houses?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: In the plan we have a mix of different housing types from multi-family, elderly multi-family, single-family, duplexes, and our vision is to stay with the same model of leasehold sales and rentals. So, there is a variety of concepts.

Mr. Hooser: Great. Thank you very much. Thank you, Chair.

Chair Furfaro: Follow-up from Mr. Hooser's questions. JoAnn you have the floor.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you. On this cost sheet, the contract was with R.M. Towill, so this master plan which was done by Kimura was another cost?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: No.

Mr. Mackler: Kimura International prepared the master plan as a subconsultant to R.M. Towill so it was part of the same contract.

Ms. Yukimura: So, that is the total amount spent on the master plan and the cost estimates?

Mr. Mackler: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: Councilmember Hooser mentioned vacant lots. But that is not going to be, I hope, our...

Mr. Cobb-Adams: I misunderstood. Our plan is not to issue vacant lots but to be the turn key. We did not close the door on self help.

Ms. Yukimura: Right.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: But yes, there should be a product home.

Ms. Yukimura: Right. We have had too many bad experiences with vacant lots. Have you included the cost of an underpass passing under the highway for transit of school kids to 'Ele'ele School?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: The estimate that R.M. Towill provided for underpass is one million three hundred thousand dollars (\$1,300,000).

Ms. Yukimura: Is it in here?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: No, it is not in this.

Ms. Yukimura: What is the plan for accessing – not just for the school kids though they are the most vulnerable, anybody to get across the main highway to that other subdivision and to 'Ele'ele Schools?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: At the current point in time, our plan is to use a stop light/signalized intersection. We have the same situation with Kalepa in order to cross and we use an intersection on Kūhiō Highway.

Ms. Yukimura: It is a little different because there is a bypass, Kapuli Highway and Hanamā'ulu traffic volume is much less and much slower compared to the speed that people move coming down from Kalāheo into 'Ele'ele. To me, it is not the same.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: I think we acknowledge that and that is why we have part of that in our plan. If our traffic study, which we do not have a full blown traffic study that is part of this next phase and the community during our environmental studies feel very strongly about that, that is a possibility we might want to take on either an underpass or an overpass. There are pros and cons to both that we need to vet out because there are issues with both.

Ms. Yukimura: I agree. But there is also an issue with kids crossing. Pedestrians have been hit in crosswalks and the speed and the size of children, so there is an issue there. I just was wondering how you plan to address it.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: We are still open, like I said. There are some things that still need to happen before we actually get to the designing, the actual infrastructure, and we are still in that process. We are open and I appreciate that comment. Thank you.

Ms. Yukimura: Chair.

Chair Furfaro: Go right ahead.

Ms. Yukimura: I am done with the follow-up.

Chair Furfaro: Start your own question.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you for this sheet, it is very instructive. On nine and ten, which is the Lima Ola project, there are two (2) different scenarios, are they not? They are not two (2) different phases, they are two (2) scenarios of four hundred (400) each?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes, what I did was I just put in the twenty percent (20%) contingency to match so they are the exact same scenario. At this stage, best case scenario, my staff has heard a lot. I plan for the worst and hope for the best. So, with a twenty percent (20%) contingency, I am feeling that that is the worst case scenario. We are also anticipating – like I said, one of the first stages in this next phase is to value engineer. That plan was an excellent plan. Some of the things in it, like one of the roads that surround it, my blind eye can see it. But we are to have some engineers look at some things that we can do more cost effectively to decrease the overall cost, yet keeping the quality of the project that makes it walk able and green. So, we want to keep as much concept but lower the cost. I guess it is a dream house that has arches and instead of doing the arch, maybe we will do a post and a beam. It still satisfies the same intent and that is kind of what we are going to do in the first phase, is do a value engineering.

Ms. Yukimura: Have you assessed whether applying this either sixteen million dollars (\$16,000,000) or nineteen million dollars (\$19,000,000) to other potential projects would get you a better or as equal return and get you some other values as well?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Actually, at this point in time, I think our strategy is to keep projects that we have that are in planning and then get projects into design and always have a project in design, always have a project in planning, and always have a project in construction.

Ms. Yukimura: That is fine.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: With that in mind, what we are doing is this project has been underway for about six (6) or seven (7) years. It is been supported. I think we have shown the data is continuing to support it moving. We have not re-analyzed with upcoming projects, but what we are trying to do is say Rice Camp was not even in the picture, but we took that and with the Council support, we are doing Rice Camp and Lima Ola simultaneously. So, we have not said one or the other, but let us keep going.

M. Yukimura: In your program it is not just a matter of two hundred seventy-three thousand dollars (\$273,000) because you are also taking from the

Housing Community Development Revolving fund, if I am reading this correctly, one million six hundred thousand dollars (\$1,600,000) and a two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000). That is on page 5 of your submittal to the Mayor, dated March 11, 2013. We are looking at expenditure of one million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$1,800,000)?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: This is what we are also approving in the budget, right?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: That is in the budget, yes.

Ms. Yukimura: This is a total then of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to be put into this project?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: From a policy perspective of the County Council, my question is there someplace else we can put that money that will get us more or as much in a location where the housing might be even more critical because of need? Regional need is something that I do not know maybe you have analyzed. My question is, if we were to put nineteen million dollars (\$19,000,000) into buying the Courtyards at Waipouli, which is already built turnkey, we could immediately have what is the number there, Gary?

Mr. Mackler: Eighty-two (82) units.

Ms. Yukimura: Eighty-two (82) units immediately to rent because this is about four hundred (400) units that will come over the next twenty (20) to thirty (30) years. How would the numbers work out?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Well, for one, we do not have the eighteen million dollars (\$18,000,000) right now.

Ms. Yukimura: True.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Two, this project we have it and it is moving because we own the land. We have not addressed the Waipouli one. This is the first I heard it is for sale.

Ms. Yukimura: It is not for sale. But the Council has shown great interest in acquiring it and we have had many conversations about it and the Administration has had some investigation of it. I do not know where all of the investigation has gone to.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: I mean, I guess we are trying to compare a project that we have that is moving versus a potential project and we are always interested in investigating potential projects.

Ms. Yukimura: I am interested in getting the most housing with the least money as fast as possible. So, of those twenty (20) sites that were State land parcels, I mean we could use that land, that seventy-five (75) acres, we could use that right now for agriculture lots. That is prime agriculture land out at 'Ele'ele, right? The twenty (20) State land parcels, I know that we were doing a whittling down process to see whether some might be available for housing. What kind of analysis and it would be so excellent to do that kind of analysis on all of those parcels and see where what the potential investment would yield?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: I think those are good and potential projects that we can investigate. One of the issues that we look at that are potential, like the Rice Camp, fortunately it came about. But it was in negotiations for years. For us to investigate something that is just potential versus something that has tracks and we are moving on, I think that is one of the reasons why we would like to continue forward with this project. The second thing on the State parcel, the offer, if you really look into it, a very interesting offer.

Ms. Yukimura: Which offer are you talking about?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: The offer of the State lands because it basically says, I guess, if you do a metaphor and I was selling a house and said come look at my house or look at my piece of land, tell me the best use, prove it to me, give it to me, and then I will decide if I want to sell it to you. This is basically what it says. So, basically go do your due diligence and no guarantee that I will give it to you, but if it looks fine and dandy, then we will give it to you. That was done in a different Administration. I am not so sure. We have tried to confirm with this new Administration if they still support the offer. You folks understand it, people change so we have some concerns. On top of that, the properties are not ideal for development. They have issues. A majority, even the best properties cannot be used because of condition of the topography.

Ms. Yukimura: I think...

Chair Furfaro: Excuse me, Councilwoman?

Ms. Yukimura: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Just with our rule and so forth, after your question, I am going to yield to some other members.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay, fine. I guess I will request is a conclusion to your study of those parcels because I know most of them were not feasible, but of the few that were, I would like to know what the analysis would be of them and I would like to see that. Thank you.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Sure.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you Councilwoman. Vice Chair, you have the floor.

Ms. Nakamura: I have a follow-up to Councilmember Yukimura's question. Now, on this sheet which I thought was very, very helpful. Thank you for putting this together to see the amount of County subsidy based on the type of project and the type of financing, it is very helpful. I wanted to ask you on line item nine and ten, relating to Lima Ola, this is for the total cost of the project?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes, total.

Ms. Nakamura: But this would be done in phases?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: We asked that it would be estimated in phases also. Yes.

Ms. Nakamura: This is an aggregate cost?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: This is basically this thick. It is not really thick, but it is our line item and you know how engineers goes from every line.

Ms. Nakamura: Your first phase, would that be a rental housing component or single family home component? Do we have a sense?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: There is say Phase I broken up into two (2) phases, Phase I(A) and I(B) and it has both, single family and multi-family.

Ms. Nakamura: Do you have any sense at this point which of those two (2) we would be pursue?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Not exactly. So, one of the first things I know I did not put it on the sheet, but one of our first things that we are going to do in this next phase is a Market Study to see specifically in that area of demand, what type of products are wanted. We also, in this study, we have not found condos, the higher density type products which are most cost effective to be as desirable. So, in this Market Study we want to ask more specific questions, like if we put this type of amenity in a condo, would that be more appealing so that we can get people into something that they really like, but yet it is still affordable at their income rate? So, we are going to do that market analysis. That is part of what this money will fund.

Ms. Nakamura: Just to follow-up then, the purpose of the funds would be the Market Study and for the Environmental Assessment (EA)?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes.

Ms. Nakamura: The EA would then cover entire project because you look at it holistically.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Right.

Ms. Nakamura: On your list of expenses, what does the two million dollars (\$2,000,000) cover? It covers the entitlement? Is it a portion of the entitle piece?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Which one are you looking at?

Ms. Nakamura: I am look at your spreadsheet.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: What dollar amount?

Ms. Nakamura: Yes.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: What dollar was it?

Ms. Nakamura: You are requesting two hundred seventy-three thousand dollars (\$273,000).

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes, I got you.

Ms. Nakamura: Councilmember Yukimura mentioned one million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$1,800,000) in additional CDBG.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Do you see the one four million four hundred thousand dollars (\$4,400,000) entitlements, environmental design?

Ms. Nakamura: Yes.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: So, that is more specific than that, but it is a portion of that.

Ms. Nakamura: That is the main focus for this next year?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes. Basically all of that is to take us to the point that we can Request For Proposal (RFP) this out to a private developer, Phase I and Phase II.

Ms. Nakamura: Then as the project is being phased, the infrastructure will also be phased I am assuming.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Correct, portions of it. If possible, we would like to do as much as possible upfront just because of the cost. As you see, cost appreciates so

the more we can do now and that then allows the flexibility to RFP things. But we could phase it, yes. Yes, that is the simple answer.

Ms. Nakamura: I think we would be guided by that market study to see really what demand is and how much the market can absorb.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Correct.

Ms. Nakamura: This is still the upfront costs, we do not know exactly how much we are going to be spending, but we are making the next incremental step to move, at least a portion, of this master plan forward?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Right.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: I am going to go back to a comment comparing these projects. Gary, I think you and I had worked on the Courtyard before and at the time we did, I do not remember a number being nineteen million dollars (\$19,000,000). I remember a number being closer to twenty-three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$23,500,000).

Mr. Mackler: There was an appraisal done. It looked at the value of that property utilizing three (3) different methods. I think the cost approach method valued the property significantly below nineteen million dollars (\$19,000,000).

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Mackler: I believe the market appraisal may have been higher than nineteen million dollars (\$19,000,000). I do not recall the exact number it is been some time since I have looked at the appraisal. But do I think it was higher. I think the expectation of the seller was certainly higher.

Chair Furfaro: That is what I am referring to and that project has never been condominiumized?

Mr. Mackler: No, not as of yet. Although, I think it will eventually be once the affordable restrictions are over.

Chair Furfaro: The return on investment numbers were not based on all of the condos carrying the debt service at being at affordable prices?

Mr. Mackler: Correct.

Chair Furfaro: I have a couple of announcements that I need to make. I wanted to make sure, so maybe you can dust off those sheets.

Mr. Mackler: Okay.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Rapozo has given us an absentee notice. He has doctor's appointments for the rest of the afternoon, so we will be five (5) members. Thank you very much. Mr. Hooser.

Mr. Hooser: Just a follow-up question. I understand that this is a priority project, but are there other priorities? I mean if there are additional funds that fell from the sky for Capital Improvements, is there something waiting in the wings that you would want to line up behind this one?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Currently, we have some potential things that we are looking at that involves another policy, those are the ones that we can get done quick such as the Kolopua. So, we are looking at things such as that, but we do not have anything as concretes as this, Rice Camp, and Kolopua. Those are concrete that we are going to push. The Waipouli one that was just brought to my attention, I thought of a couple of things policy wise and inviting private partners to come in and we just stand outside with policy and get them to investment with low income tax credits and possibly the County providing an incentive to buy it and make it affordable. So, there are other ideas out there that might take less money.

Ms. Yukimura: Like two million dollars (\$2,000,000)?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Well, I am thankful that we even had this discussion because I think we are open to hearing any kind of potentials because we do not have concrete, but we have some potentials that we are looking at.

Mr. Hooser: Great. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Glad to hear the comments about the wheels are stirring now.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: I wish I could slow them down sometimes. They slow down usually around 4:00 p.m.

Chair Furfaro: We are going around again. Councilmember Yukimura and then Vice Chair, questions?

Ms. Yukimura: Have you applied this analysis to the workforce Housing Project in Po'ipū? I would be interested in knowing what figure you would come up with.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Are you talking about the Kukui'ula Project?

Ms. Yukimura: Yes.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: We have not yet. That project is a project we are looking at that is a policy project. They have a condition to meet Workforce Housing and we are looking at an alternative in order to make these workforce housing in perpetuity. So, we are looking at that. The issues with that project is that we are trying to work out an agreement because that project does not have the off-site infrastructure and because it is a policy project we tend to not just ask for raw land but land that is entitled and off-site infrastructure. So, we are currently trying to work on an agreement and we still have to come to Council to vet these things out. But there is a lot of potential. I have not been able to put dollars and cents to it. No, I have not. That is a long answer to your question.

Ms. Yukimura: Well, I am thinking if we worked hard enough on it, we could put dollars and cents on it and it would be very important to know what do you call this analysis?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: I just call at the end of the matrix for us to compare projects.

Ms. Yukimura: Well, see the interesting thing is that you are comparing is that our purple means that projects has not happened yet?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: No, they are project development through what I call policy, they policy driven projects, so because of the policy, you get certain subsidies automatically.

Ms. Yukimura: Alright.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: I am differentiating the type of project.

Ms. Yukimura: The breakdown for me are the ones that are already done and the ones that are projected. So, there is really Rice Camp, Lima Ola and Kolopua that are projected.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Right.

Ms. Yukimura: And I would like to see projections for the workforce housing at Po'ipū, the co-op housing at Po'ipū, the co-op pilot project at Po'ipū and maybe senior housing in Kilauea just so we can see the return on investment would be in each of these.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Okay. Of those, there is only one (1) we are in dialogue with Kukui'ula and we welcome that. It is a priority just to let you know. We just received the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) that needs to be reviewed. Like you folks, we rely on other individuals to help us get through these documents and we do not control all of that. We have gotten an MOA and it will be reviewed. So, we are trying to move to

that point. I just want to point out that I feel like we meet monthly and we track all of our projects monthly and we are moving it as a priority.

Ms. Yukimura: I am not questioning whether you are moving on it. I am questioning what kind of investment and what kind of return on investment is possible and I would also like you to think about this prospect. If you were not working on this housing project, Lima Ola, and you actually put a lot of time into the other projects you would be able to get these figures. So, before we spend two million dollars (\$2,000,000), let us just make sure that we are spending the two million dollars (\$2,000,000) in best place. I think, we as policymakers, about where to spend this two million dollars (\$2,000,000) would like to have that information so we can make better decisions.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: I mean, I respectfully disagree somewhat because you cannot continuously keep overanalyzing every year which projects, stop, analyze, stop, analyze.

Ms. Yukimura: Are you saying you are not going to give us this information?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: No. I think we can do it. The reason I pointed out the MOA is until we know what the MOA says, we do not know what numbers too and the time for it. There are things that we need to figure out in the MOA that will tell us what we are going to have to put when comes to numbers.

Ms. Yukimura: Actually, your analysis will help you understand what to negotiate in that MOA.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: I think – okay.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Vice Chair, you have the floor.

Ms. Nakamura: I just wanted to go back and sort of look at the linkage with the six-year CIP and the information that is in the six-year CIP relating to this project. I just wanted you to take another look at that because what is being presented here and what is in here does not seem to be in alignment. It would, I think, help with future projections if we broke it down by phase.

KEN SHIMONISHI, Budget Analyst: I agree.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you for looking into that. Mr. Hooser, you have the floor next if you want it.

Mr. Hooser: I do not want it.

Chair Furfaro: Sounds like a hot potato. Gentlemen, I do want to say that some of the discussion that came out today was very good to pursue. We kind of have to be out there looking for draft choices.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: I think what that is what Councilmember Yukimura is saying to be looking at draft choices. But on the other hand, I also want to say this acquisition of this property, to me, fits another bill. I mean, we need West Side inventory. We need inventory close to the base. We need inventory close to the Po'ipū Resort area, all of those components. I want you to look at it all because we want it all. Maybe the drive is twenty-five (25) minutes, maybe it is thirty (30) minutes, but reality is that we do have work opportunity out on the South Side and West Side and this can kind of serve both. But I would just encourage you to continue to look at all of the draft choices.
Mr. Hooser.

Mr. Hooser: Yes, actually that was my thought also that I want to reinforce. My question earlier about what other choices was not intended to supplant or replace this but was above and beyond this. If there were opportunities above and beyond that were in the near future and you needed assistance, I personally would be happy to look for ways and work with the Council to look for other resources or other mechanisms that might help you grow the inventory. I just wanted to be clear, mine was not meant to replace this project, but it was just to go above and beyond similar to what the Chair was saying. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum is just listening for now. He is okay. I am going to go back around. Vice Chair? You are okay. You have the floor, Councilwoman Yukimura and I pointed out that I said about hour and we have about twenty (20) minutes left.

Ms. Yukimura: I have a follow-up to Councilmember Hooser's cost right now. My inquiry about those other projects are also in that same light in terms of we saw the challenge of producing one thousand one hundred (1,100) units by 2016. So, your goal of having so much in the planning phase, so much in the construction phase, and the fact that we have really limited resources. That is why I am asking about whether we arousing our resources for the biggest bang, that is why I am asking these questions. So, to further continue because in making the choices, whatever that list is, your priority list, I would like to know how you create that priority list and what criteria do you use for that priority list? Not a criteria list that changes from project to project. It is a list that you develop before you think of any project and then how you apply. I would like to see how you apply it to all projects and that is what a transparent process would be. Do you have a list of criteria in choosing which projects to pursue?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: The bottom line in development and I think you all know this, you look at costs. I can give you a written explanation. It is pretty complex and you try to get every single value, but you are almost never going to get the perfect situation to develop. We just try to get the most amount of our objectives met by each

project for the least amount of money. In a nutshell that is it. If you want a list of a ton of different criteria we can get you a list of criteria.

Ms. Yukimura: Well, the project list that Gary mentioned regarding specifically Lima Ola is for me, it is like the reasons why it is a good project. It is not an objective list, like are we talking prime agriculture land? Is this infill and so forth. You mention all the things that it comes out on the plus for, but you do not mention the other things and you do not show me that you have applied to all of these other projects and this is where we should spend the two million dollars (\$2,000,000).

Mr. Mackler: Well, we can go through checklists on lands that we can identify, but we do not necessarily have a way to acquire. It requires a willing seller to make land available and...

Ms. Yukimura: Could you just apply it...

Mr. Mackler: Just let me complete what I want to say. I have worked in the Housing Agency nearly twenty (20) years now and even prior to that, we have had three (3) opportunities to acquire land. First opportunity was the Kalepa Village site, the twelve (12) acre parcel in Hanamā'ulu and we would not have had that site except for Hurricane. The seller was going to develop it. Charles River Group, after the hurricane, they decided to sell it. We were very fortunate and very thankful to be able to get that land. It is not a perfect site, but it certainly serves one hundred eighty (180) families today.

Chair Furfaro: Excuse me, Gary. That was the Charles River Group, right?

Mr. Mackler: Yes, it was.

Chair Furfaro: Okay.

Mr. Mackler: We were able to buy Lima Ola last year. Lima Ola, we negotiated I think six (6) to eight (8) months with seller until we got the appraisal. They walked away from the table, they did not like that number. I am sorry, pardon me. I misspoke. Rice Camp. Thankfully they came back to the table, Council appropriated funds to allow us to acquire those land, and we are very thankful to have the opportunity to develop senior housing there. Lima Ola, I mentioned earlier that we looked at State lands. We had seven (7) parcels identified for us. Very few for developable. We also had a list of twenty (20) other potential sites, all agricultural by the way. All agriculture district lands. Some were extremely large parcels that would need subdivision. Not all were suitable in terms of topography and location. We did some preliminary evaluation, Ken Rainforth did when he was with us in the Housing Agency. As I went through earlier, we applied various criteria to selecting Lima Ola and it was an opportunity for this County to do something in the aftermath of a very huge housing crisis on this island to try to bring additional inventory for the future and those opportunities do not come to us very often as we have seen over the years. I think it is fantastic that we have been able to acquire Lima Ola.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Excuse me, JoAnn.

Chari Furfaro: You wanted to add to that?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: Could I follow-up? Just to point out, Rice Camp, my third day here when I came, I ended up meeting with someone and just to show that we are willing. If someone wants to truly make it available, we are willing. Unfortunately we had the money, but I feel like for government in a record amount of time because we still need to do due diligence, meaning we needed to do some surveying, we needed to do ground penetrating radar, and we had to procure all of these things as well as close on this sale. Because the seller said if you are not going to close by a certain time, we are walking again. So I just wanted to say that we are definitely willing at looking other things and if there is a true valid opportunity for it to really happen, we are going push it as hard as we can and make it happen. That is all that I am going to say.

Ms. Yukimura: That was not the question. I have no doubts that you work well on the projects that have been selected. I am asking you what is your criteria for identifying and selecting projects?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: We can definitely give you that criteria. I guess I am alluding to the point that we are working really hard on projects and if there is a true actual project that really is a valid offering we are going to push to move towards that project and then do the analysis. But if it is just theoretical projects, it is difficult to us to spend a lot of time analyzing a theoretical project that does not have a true offer to it or if it is really available.

Ms. Yukimura: I know. But you have two (2) projects that are potentially available in Po'ipū alone and you could also say as the Housing Agency that is responsible to providing housing, where is the greatest need?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: My understanding on the Po'ipū projects, you called one of them the co-op project. It is my understanding that it is to go to the Department of Education. I spoke with the Education Planner and the Education Planner said that they want to wait before they give that parcel up to anyone else until Kukui'ula does some sort of development and that is why we are not moving on that one because it is actually assigned to another agency.

Ms. Yukimura: I am sorry.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: The other parcel, we are moving on that parcel and we just received that MOA. So, we are doing that is I guess what I am saying.

Ms. Yukimura: Well, if you apply two million dollars (\$2,00,000) to it this year where would you go with it and on the co-op project, have you asked the Mayor to go with you to the Governor on it?

Chair Furfaro: Excuse me, let me make an announcement before you put the slide up. There are no other questions from other Councilmember at this time. So, I am going to leave the floor with Councilwoman Yukimura until 2:30 p.m. and at 2:30 p.m., we will take a caption break because we are going to go into Transportation after that.

Ms. Yukimura: If we finish before that we do not have to go to 2:30 p.m. Thank you. You are familiar with this chart? This came out of Multi-modal Land Transportation Plan and I guess because of a recognition of some Smart Growth principles. But it is an analysis of where the jobs are and where homes are and it is a rough analysis because we know Kōloa/Po'ipū/Kalāheo, you can see job location/home location are about the same. But if you started pricing the houses that are available, you would probably find a disconnect except that maybe our Pa'anau project is really available for certain incomes there. You would have to do a further analysis to make this fully useful. But you can see that Līhu'e, for example, has many, many jobs but very little homes which tells you that Līhu'e is a prime place for providing homes if you want to cut down the distance between job commutes and that is just a rough approach. But you could, as a Housing Agency, say that we will use some of this analysis and I think you did that informally for Rice Camp. Although, Rice Camp for elderly is not an jobs issues as much as it would be for other incomes. So, one of my questions is who takes the risk if units do not fill up and related to that is how are you doing your demand studies? Are you saying of all the people on the island who are in the housing category, eighty percent (80%) and below, or choose your level, where is there need for that kind of housing based on jobs or not? I am just saying that I do not feel like you have a list, and actually, I think including the Council in the discussion in making that list might be a good thing to do because it is policy issues. But I envision having a list and then applying it to potential housing projects around the island and saying this is the project because of these reasons. Look at the application of our criteria to different sites and we know this is what it is. People know that between Princeville and Kapa'a, every day in the morning and in the afternoon there is this huge traffic because of workers going back to where they can live because there is no more affordable housing on the North Shore and same thing in Po'ipū. How are you going to assess need in this marketing study for Lima Ola? If you have an apartment in Līhu'e and an apartment in 'Ele'ele, in the affordable categories that we want to serve, what kind of demand would we have for those units?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: That was a long question.

Ms. Yukimura: It was. How are you doing your market needs study?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: As part of this next phase we are going to have a Market Study done there. I think you might be happy to know that in our Strategic Plan, we are putting together something very innovative, a Housing Study done by the County, that is going to look at more than just housing needs, workplace, and transit but also take into account infrastructure and availability of infrastructure. We have met just a couple days because I feel that that is a huge missing link that allows us to situate where we are going to build housing and what we can build. Also what that is going to help us do is provide appropriate policy. It is a huge challenge and I cannot disagree with you. Līhu'e is

a big challenge. We are moving on that front to support policy wise, the DR Horton Triangle Project in any way we can through our Affordable Housing Task Force. But we are also looking at there is a challenge in this place is the infrastructure and making it cost effective. We are looking at ways to not only do it because there is such a tremendous cost for land. Two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) for Rice Camp and it is almost the same cost so we have to take that into account I think.

Ms. Yukimura: Of course you have to take that into account. But just because the infrastructure is not available, does not mean you do not say this is where we want to build because if you just go by one (1) factor, cheaper land, you are going outside to agriculture. It is a combination of factors.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: I think we agreeing.

Ms. Yukimura: Right. What is your answer to my question about how are you structure your market needs study for this project?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: We are going to a market needs study. I do not understand what you mean.

Ms. Yukimura: How are you going to structure...

Mr. Cobb-Adams: As long as we can ensure that there is the demand for the type of product in Lima Ola.

Ms. Yukimura: You are going to survey the whole island?

Mr. Mackler: It would be very much like what we did with Kalepa Village. Before we developed Kalepa we did a site specific market study to define the market capture area for that project and to analyze the results of the actual study. It is really no different. We would do a site specific study for Lima Ola.

Ms. Yukimura: Is that testing what the need is around the island?

Mr. Mackler: It is testing what the need is specific to the site.

Ms. Yukimura: Who do you inquire of in order to test the need for the site?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: I think in short, we are going to get a professional to come up with all of that criteria. Our main purpose is to develop affordable housing everywhere on this island where possible. We acknowledge there are different areas of need with more need and there are different areas with different types of challenges. We are in the position that we are going to take on every possible place that we can. Līhu'e is a nut that we have not cracked except that starting with Rice Camp and we are trying to start with DR Horton. We need to find land that is available, has

infrastructure, and that we can afford. We are looking and we are pushing on those forefronts. I guess my point is that we are pushing on all fronts and Lima Ola is one of the many fronts that we are pushing on. Unfortunately that is one that has made a tremendous amount of progress. But I feel that just because we have not made as much – I think you would agree it is not our fault we have not. There are different challenges in different areas. But it does not mean we stop moving forward on this project.

Ms. Yukimura: I am talking about a system that gives you the biggest “bang for your buck” and I am knoll convinced that you have a system that helps you figure that out. For example, if you took the two million dollars (\$2,000,000) and spent it with DH Horton site, bought part of it which allowed them to put money into water or whatever their stumbling blocks were, and then went out to bid on that site for another, what kind of things would you get if Līhu‘e is a really important site? That one is way to make the land available, that you wanted to start a project on and you might enable the rest of the DH Horton site to build as well. To me, you do not start with the land which is how this project started. It started with the land. You start with where is the need? Where can get our biggest “bang or our buck” and you go and make it happen. So, that is enough.

Chair Furfaro: Well, we have three (3) minutes.

Ms. Yukimura: I think I have asked all of my main questions. Unless there is someone else, I am done. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: You are going to send over a criteria list? I want to remind you of something here also. If the studies say we are one thousand one hundred (1,100) short, then you have to weigh some of it towards where we get the largest inventory as well. That has to be part of the criteria because if you are dealing with people that do not have an opportunity for shelter and we are one thousand one hundred (1,100) units behind, well that has to be part of the criteria, too. What can we respond to with the appropriate shelter within a reasonable amount of time because if not, we are just going to continue to fall behind and fall behind. That has to be part of the criteria and I see the Councilwoman is kind of agreeing with me. But we will be asking you to send over to us how you measure this value and criteria. JoAnn, go ahead.

Ms. Yukimura: How soon would the first unit be built in ‘Ele‘ele?

Mr. Cobb-Adams: We are targeting to go to the RFP in 2016.

Ms. Yukimura: What if you figured out with your very creative thinking to get those eighty-two (82) units at Waipouli? We could get those in six (6) months or a year, right? Possibly, you never know.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: It is kind of unfair because you are giving me theoretical versus something that...

Ms. Yukimura: No, I am not.

Mr. Cobb-Adams: You just told me a theory.

Chair Furfaro: Anyway, let us see your criteria and you heard my point of view. Certainly, I want to thank you for a great spreadsheet today that yielded cost analysis on how we are developing. That was a very nice tool. I think the Mayor wanted to say something, then we are going to take a caption break, and then we are going to go to Transportation. Go ahead, Mayor

BERNARD P. CARVALHO, JR., Mayor: First of all, thank you Councilmembers. I really wanted to say that our Housing Agency has done some tremendous work and major strides in trying to move forward. In this particular discussion, we have gone through many sessions on figuring out which would fit best for Kaua'i. The top three (3) projects that we are sharing and have placed at the top, making sure that we are addressing everything else and the needs of the people overall in different parts of our community, knowing that Smart Growth principles are being apply merchandise many different parts and in many different ways on our island. But in this particular case, Lima Ola, Kolopua, geographically, North Shore, West Side and of course, central and so with that overlay, understanding, the process, and how far it is gone, not neglecting any other opportunities. JoAnn knows this, we have talked about Kukui'ula. We have talked about the Wailua project as well. But overall, if you had asked me, and you where in our discussions where I want to go and where I think that it is going to benefit moving forward is in these particular projects, mainly Lima Ola, Kolopua, and Rice Camp. I am totally open, and you know this JoAnn, to talking about other opportunities, just for the record. Our people are doing the best they can. There is a lot of energy, a lot of discussion that is happening right now as we speak in these particular projects at forefront. Thank you for that opportunity.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you. Mayor, I think we sense the energy that is in Housing. I just wanted you to know. We are going to take a ten (10) minute caption break. Transportation, you will be next and if we could place a message out to the people after Transportation. Ten (10) minutes, please be timely.

There being no objections, the Committee recessed at 2:32 p.m.

The departmental budget call-backs reconvened on April 16, 2013 at 2:32 p.m., and proceeded as follows:

Housing Agency

Honorable Tim Bynum
Honorable Gary L. Hooser
Honorable Nadine Nakamura
Honorable JoAnn A. Yukimura
Honorable Jay Furfaro, Council Chair

Excused: Honorable Ross Kagawa
Honorable Mel Rapozo

Chair Furfaro: We are back from our break. We are now following up with Transportation. We are specifically talking about the Capital Improvement Project (CIP) portion of the Transportation budget. I would hope you have something to share with us first.

KEITH SUGA, CIP Project Manager: Good afternoon Chair and Councilmember. I would like to start by giving a brief overview the project which can be found on my spreadsheet, page 17 at the top, Shelter Bus Stops: design and construction. This is a Holo Holo 2020 project and these funds here for this project item is being carried over from the previous fiscal year and what this entails is the designing and also construction of sheltered bus stops at various locations on Kaua'i. I have to give kudos to Transportation Agency, Celia and Kalawai here because they created a Committee to include include Public Works – Engineering, Transportation Planner, and myself to help them provide input to them as they go through this process with their design consultant to establish construction drawings and specifications. They received an estimate from their consultant of about twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) per stop as a rough estimate that we will take to construct the shelter. So, with that number and what is budgeted, we have roughly maybe eight (8) or nine (9) or so stops that could be constructed with these moneys this upcoming fiscal year and I think the discussions that we have had internally is to try to identify the areas with the stops with the highest usage, the greatest needs for our shelters, and also evaluate existing conditions so that we can focus on those first eight (8)/ nine (9) areas and then as we get those constructed and completed we can certainly learn from them and then get the next set designed and constructed even better than the first set. That is kind of the brief overview I wanted to provide and I just want to open it up to you folks.

Chair Furfaro: We have two hundred forty thousand dollars (\$240,000), roughly eight (8) shelters, and may I ask if we could consider the following when we identify the locations. So, we look as objective as possible on fairness to the communities, I am going to rain equal on the North Shore equal to heat on the West Side. For the seniors it has equal value. As a Charter member of North Shore Lion's Club, we have a couple shelters in the most critical spots, thanks to the North Shore Lions. That is the request that I have as we start with the shelters that we are equal on the North, West, South, and Eastside and from there, establish the criteria. That is my only comment.

Anyone who would like to pursue any other discussion on that? Go ahead, Councilwoman Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: Hi. Thank you for this work because everybody is just waiting for those shelters. It is very exciting to think that this is the year when we will see them coming up. It was taking this number, was it not, that brought you to the thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) average cost? If the Council wanted and could find more money to fund more than eight (8), is that what it is? Then we could put in an average of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) more per shelter.

CELIA MAHIKOA, Executive of Transportation: That would be the estimate that we would ask for in projecting additional locations to be constructed.

Ms. Yukimura: Have you identified the eight (8) sites yet?

Ms. Mahikoa: No, not yet.

Ms. Yukimura: The engineering study is coming in by the end of May, I think you said? The final engineering?

Ms. Mahikoa: We have the original six (6) month contract is up at the end of this month. However, in order to address some additional items that have come up as we have been going through this work, we are going to be asking for an extension. In order to do that we are looking at having the plans in hand at some point during summer and by that time we should be able to address the locations. We do plan to go out to the communities as well to be asking for input on each community's ideas on the shelters and to also provide them with a status of where we are at with the project.

Ms. Yukimura: Are you going to identify the site and then ask for community input or you are asking community input as to where the shelters should be and what the priorities should be for shelters?

Ms. Mahikoa: As far as the locations that are selected, we are going to be ensuring that we are fairly distributing them among the island. Ridership will be a factor. If it is a well used stop, it will hold more weight. As far as the existing accessibility of the stop, if it is going to require excessive amounts of modifications in order to install a shelter there, it will not be ranked as high as one where it is pretty much install ready.

Ms. Yukimura: You are going for the low hanging fruit so to speak?

Ms. Mahikoa: Exactly.

Ms. Yukimura: Where you can get it done fastest?

Ms. Mahikoa: Right, and the most benefit to the community and then beyond that, if all else is equal we will certainly be taking into consideration preferences that come in.

Ms. Yukimura: For the benefit of my colleagues I just want to use this as an example of what I was thinking of for Housing. They have not selected the sites. They are thinking of some objective criteria which they will apply to the sites to help them decide what their priorities are. That is what I had in mind for Housing projects, too. The engineering is for how many? How many sites are you doing engineering for?

Ms. Mahikoa: It is forty-seven (47).

JEREMY LEE, Program Specialist III: It was forty-seven (47) locations in the original contract and we are extending that to two (2) additional in the Līhu'e area that were identified as the high need area.

Ms. Yukimura: Once the study is done, there is potential for forty-seven (47) shelters to be built?

Mr. Lee: Sorry, forty-nine (49).

Ms. Yukimura: Forty-nine (49). Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Any more questions? Any additional questions?
Go right ahead.

Ms. Nakamura: I think you mentioned in your presentation that the designs have been done for these bus shelters?

Ms. Mahikoa: Actually, the designs were still in the works right now. We have been provided the preliminary draft designs of which we have our team together who have been reviewing them and will be doing on-site assessments of the designs. and then we will get the final in.

Mr. Lee: Just to add, excuse me. We have the next submittal scheduled for May 1st. I just wanted to say that we are on budget and on schedule currently with the contract. SSFM was our engineering design contractor. We will be submitting the next round of design drawings to us which we will review as a team and as schedules permit, to do site visits to make sure that they are fitting for the geography of where they are being placed.

Ms. Nakamura: Do you envision the need for any purchase or lease of land in order to accommodate the shelter or do you see it all happening on public right-of-way?

Mr. Lee: There have been a couple of areas. I believe at this point there are five (5) areas that the engineering company has identified that would

have problematic right-of-way issues. We, as a team, decided that those would be kind of pushed down the scale based on that element of information. But still looking at what our options are in the area that are surrounding those bus stops, looking at the needs of the ridership, the community density, and all of the different factors that we are putting into the bus stops.

Ms. Nakamura: In the future, that twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) per bus stop might be higher because of the land acquisition issues?

Mr. Lee: Yes.

Ms. Nakamura: And getting the private right of entry to use.

Mr. Lee: Potentially, yes, it is one of the things.

Ms. Nakamura: Just wanted to give the Council's a head's up that I am working with Celia and our Transportation Planner on a Bill to look at not penalizing landowners who put bus shelters on their private lands that take up off-street parking requirements and to compensate and say you will not be penalized if you do not follow the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance (CZO). We are working on it and hopefully after budget we will get it on the Council floor.

Chair Furfaro: I am going to throw out one question. You can answer when we come back from changing the tape. Do I assume that we have solar power for the evenings in the bus stops? We are going to take a break right now for your tape change.

There being no objections, the Committee recessed at 2:55 p.m.

There being no objections, the Committee reconvened at 2:59 p.m., and proceeded as follows:

Chair Furfaro: We are back from our tape change. The question was posed about alternative power for lights in the bus stops?

Ms. Mahikoa: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: What do we have?

Ms. Mahikoa: Yes, we are asking to have that as far as the primary option for lighting at each of the facilities.

Chair Furfaro: Then may I ask, at what point with your final design, I am assuming that you submit your selection so that the Council can have a peak at what you finally settled on?

Ms. Mahikoa: As far as the?

Chair Furfaro: The shelter designs.

Ms. Mahikoa: The final design of the shelters. Certainly, we can do that.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you. Any other questions for Transportation on bus shelters? Go ahead, JoAnn.

Ms. Yukimura: I missed it. But you said yes, right? So, there are going to be lights fueled by photo violation, there will be trash cans, benches, and have we given some thought to it being vandal resistant? They are going to be fabricated. They are not the kind where you can order from mainland and put in. They will be fabricated with wood or whatever?

Ms. Mahikoa: We are looking at different options right now. We have not settled on exactly one method to go through like now. But we are leaning more towards pre-fabrication, just for the ease of assembly as well as when we are implementing the volunteer program as well.

Ms. Yukimura: I see. It will be so exciting to see them come up. I know people will be so happy. Thank you very much.

Chair Furfaro: I think the shelters are pretty much behind us now. I forget, staff, maybe can you help me? She was going to send us over an aging on the bus leases? So, there is no other CIP in your area. But can I ask, are you working with the Planning Department about the long-term suggestion of a base yard on the North Shore and a base yard for the West Side? Is that something that is going on now?

Ms. Mahikoa: They are aware of it. We have not gotten into any formal discussion yet. But we are still so early in the process of identifying that need right now. We will be providing that way, yes.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you. JoAnn.

Ms. Yukimura: How were you planning on doing the maintenance of the bus shelters, like emptying the trash and so forth? It is something that has crossed my mind and I just wondered.

Ms. Mahikoa: We have been just informally, just thinking through various creative options, that might be available within the County and outside of County.

Ms. Yukimura: Good.

Ms. Mahikoa: So there has been nothing formal up to this point. However, right now we have a utility worker on staff who services the occasionally

needs that come up at each of the bus shelters or the bus stops right now. That is another detail that we will be needing to work out

Ms. Yukimura: Although you do have some somewhat of a model with sort of Adopt-A-Shelter and the fabulous North Shore Lion's Club.

Ms. Mahikoa: Right.

Ms. Yukimura: Because they protect it like it is their babies.

Ms. Mahikoa: Right.

Ms. Yukimura: We are so lucky for that.

Chair Furfaro: It is like their den.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes. They have just been wonderful.

Ms. Mahikoa: Yes, they have.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Well, if there are no more questions, we want to thanks for all your continued fine work.

Ms. Mahikoa: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: And say keep us posted when you have your final selected bus stop.

Ms. Mahikoa: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Staff a couple of housekeeping notices here. I wanted to leave this afternoon to Parks and Recreation and Lenny will be coming up in a few minutes. But for the purposes of the rest of the areas that we wanted to cover today, I thought I would put Roads and Maintenance in Thursday's schedule. Ed and Larry are both out of town. The first available date we can have them is the unfilled day of April 23rd at 9:00 a.m. Can you put that in your schedules? Roads and Public Works.

Ms. Yukimura: Chair?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: What about Planning CIP?

Chair Furfaro: What is that?

Ms. Yukimura: Planning CIP.

Chair Furfaro: Yes, Planning CIP, I am going to get to it next.

Ms. Yukimura: Oh, okay. I am sorry.

Chair Furfaro: I just want to make sure that the 23rd is available for you folks?

Ms. Yukimura: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Then as you know, we have the Wailua Golf Course, particularly already scheduled for Thursday, April 18th. But we are going to put the Planning Department on at 1:00 p.m. and that is when we will start our day, 1:00 p.m. on April 18th for Planning CIP. Thursday we cannot fit Public Works in the morning so we have the Planning Department at 1:00 p.m. followed by Wailua Golf Course. Then Tuesday the 23rd I am asking you to block for Public Works and Road Maintenance starting at 9:00 a.m.

Ms. Yukimura: Can I ask you to repeat?

Mr. Bynum: Say that again.

Chair Furfaro: April 23rd.

Ms. Yukimura: It is April 18th Thursday

Chair Furfaro: This Thursday afternoon.

Ms. Yukimura: That we do?

Chair Furfaro: 1:00 p.m. Planning CIP, followed by the Wailua Golf Course.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay, thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Scott, I believe we discussed this and we have that all in order now. Parks and recreation will be the last CIP item for today.

There being no objections, the Committee recessed at 2:59 p.m.

The departmental budget call-backs reconvened on April 16, 2013 at 3:06 p.m., and proceeded as follows:

Department of Parks and Recreation

Honorable Tim Bynum
Honorable Gary L. Hooser
Honorable Nadine Nakamura
Honorable JoAnn A. Yukimura (*excused at 4:27 p.m.*)
Honorable Jay Furfaro, Council Chair

Excused: Honorable Ross Kagawa
Honorable Mel Rapozo

Chair Furfaro: Lenny, welcome.

LEONARD A. RAPOZO, JR., Director of Parks and Recreation: Good
afternoon, Chair.

Chair Furfaro: Good afternoon.

Mr. Rapozo: I am going to let Keith earn his pay and he is going to take the lead on CIP. I know there will not be any questions. So, I will be patiently and quietly sitting here next to him and smiling.

Chair Furfaro: The big tuna just turned this over to you.

Mr. Rapozo: Wicked tuna.

KEITH SUGA, CIP Program Manager: Chair and Councilmembers, I would like to go over the Department of Parks and Recreation projects starting with the page 1 of the spreadsheet. Chair, I will go through individual projects and do you want to ask questions after every project or how do you want to?

Chair Furfaro: Let us go through all the projects and then we will come back and you will be here for questions and answers (Q&A). Why do you run us through that.

Mr. Suga: The first project that I wanted to touch on and go over is the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) access barrel removal. This is a project that was previously funded with the dollars carrying over to this upcoming fiscal year. I think folks are well aware of the Department of Parks and Recreation's efforts to get all of the facilities that they have in compliance as it relates to ADA. At this particular project is focusing on Waimea Canyon and Kekaha Parks. These would be the two (2) items there which total about one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000). The next item ADA improvements Anahola Homestead, Anahola Village, Laukona Park parking lots. Similarly, these are to address ADA items at the individual facilities there to provide what

whether a handicapped stall and sidewalks to access the facility. Again, very similar to the previous item.

Ms. Yukimura: Question.

Chair Furfaro: Go ahead.

Ms. Yukimura: It was the ADA access barrier removal that created all of those bathrooms in the women's side with only one (1) water closet if you will. I am trusting with any ADA barrier removals we are not forgetting the original purposes of parks and so forth and we are making sure that we are not being single purpose to achieve the ADA things and then somehow inadvertently affecting the functionality or the use of the park that is going to necessitate retrofits after that?

Mr. Rapozo: No. I am sorry Keith, I said I was just going to smile.

Ms. Yukimura: No way. Lenny.

Chair Furfaro: That is not going to happen, tuna.

Mr. Rapozo: That is the Portuguese side.

Ms. Yukimura: That is right.

Mr. Rapozo; You are right, JoAnn. For every facility that we look ADA barrier removals, we look at the whole facility that needs to be addressed. So, it is not just walkways, but it is the whole facility.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes. It fits and enhances rather than takes away from the other original existing improvements there.

Mr. Rapozo: Correct.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Let me state the rules again, please. Let us go through all of the parks projects, make a list, and then we will go right into discussions if we can, okay?

Ms. Yukimura: Sorry.

Chair Furfaro: Please continue, Keith.

Mr. Suga: Moving along to Page 2, kind of in the middle, Anahola Clubhouse parking lot. Very similar to the previous items in terms of addressing ADA items, sidewalks, and this particular one has some drainage items that need

addressed as well. Moving on to top of page 3, Black Pot restroom improvements. This is a new project being proposed for Fiscal Year 2014. This is a project that will look into design to expand the existing facility out at Black Pot Beach, the existing restroom facility at Black Pot Beach, as well as looking at ADA items for this particular area. I went out on a site visit with William from Parks on a Thursday to go to check out the restroom facility and it was surprising to me to see how packed the beach was. It is a good sign certainly, but looking at the area and the size of the comfort station over there, I could definitely see why they have issues with pumping and having the Department of Public Works go out there to pump more frequently because of the amount of usage that is currently being out there. This is a new project to look at expanding potentially the existing facility or coming up potentially with a new facility in that area. I put a note in here that this would run parallel with the Black Pot Beach Master Plan Development because we know that there is a current need right now and thinking of getting a head start on the design. Next item right after that is the bleachers in County parks.

Chair Furfaro: Excuse me. I can tell my rule on this is not going to work.

Ms. Nakamura: Yes, I do not think so.

Chair Furfaro: Questions on Anahola first, any? Go right ahead. We are going all the way back to ADA. We will do it by page.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you. I wanted to just ask, with so many parks and this is several parks and this is several parks with ADA improvements, what is the big picture ADA needs? Does this represent, when we look at parks that meet ADA needs, what percentage are we at?

Mr. Rapozo: Most of all of our parks meet some form of ADA needs.

Ms. Nakamura: Right.

Mr. Rapozo: We have done some. But as we work across the island...

Ms. Nakamura: Right, because I worked on the Hā'ena County Beach Park ADA improvements and so I know that you are chipping away at it.

Mr. Rapozo: Exactly.

Ms. Nakamura: I just wanted to get a big picture view of what percentage we are at?

Mr. Rapozo: No. We do not have a percentage.

Ms. Nakamura: It seems every year you just kind of do a few at a time.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes. Whatever moneys we have, we look at doing a few at a time. In this particular incidence, if you remember a couple of years ago, Kaimana Jose, we all worked together and he had to do his senior project out in Kekaha Fire Park. This was a young man who had so much energy and part of his senior project was that he came to us via the Mayor and said all of my life I played baseball in Kekaha and I have to sit in the hot sun. His senior project was to build two (2) dugouts where they did not exist. So, that build out really triggered the need to do the ADA at this park, it rose. So that was the impetus for us to look at Kekaha Fire Park to move forward with that ADA along with Waimea Canyon since we were on that side of the island. Moneys were made available in this current budget year. So, that was how the focus became in this area.

Chair Furfaro: May I just ask if we can get some clarification on the mandate here. When we renovate a shelter, when we renovate a bath facility, when we renovate a park facility, when you renovate, you must comply with to ADA?

Mr. Rapozo: When we build out.

Chair Furfaro: Is that correct?

Mr. Rapozo: When we build out. My understanding is when we build out.

Chair Furfaro: Renovate or build out.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: But just the renovation of the basics, the plumbing, the roof, and so forth?

Mr. Rapozo: We are okay.

Chair Furfaro: We are okay?

Mr. Rapozo: My understanding is that we are okay.

Chair Furfaro: JoAnn, you have the floor.

Ms. Yukimura: These ADA improvements, are they from the rule that when you renovate you have to do it or is it out of that court order? There was a court order, right, that said we had to do all ADA? So, that was years ago.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: But we are still...

Mr. Rapozo: Catching up I guess.

Ms. Yukimura: Is there a plan, a timetable for being totally caught up?

Mr. Rapozo: Not that I am aware of. Maybe some that is something that the Attorneys can.

Ms. Yukimura: The courts just allow us to do it at whatever pace we want to?

Chair Furfaro: What I quoted to you is what I know what compliant in a hotel. If renovate, you must comply. It is worth checking your description against my understanding.

Mr. Rapozo: Right.

Chair Furfaro: I would get a legal upon on that.

Ms. Yukimura: I will ask that question going forward.

Chair Furfaro: We are back to you, Mr. Suga.

Mr. Suga: I think we arson the top of page 3, bleachers in County parks.

Mr. Rapozo: Was Anahola the next one?

Chair Furfaro: We had questions for Black Pot.

Mr. Rapozo: We are going to pass Anahola?

Chair Furfaro: Nadine had questions for Black Pot.

Ms. Nakamura: I wanted to find out and I also noticed in the CIP listing that there is funding for the Master Plan for Black Pot.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Ms. Nakamura: You see this running in tandem with that master plan or does the Master Plan need to direct this piece?

Mr. Suga: We thought initially that it could run parallel in terms of the initial design and have that certainly be incorporated as part of the Master Plan as well. I think the initial, there is an immediate need currently out there so that if we can get a head start on the initial design work and also have that worked right into the master plan development as well

Ms. Nakamura: Is the idea to expand the footprint of the existing restroom or have a separate restroom facility?

Mr. Suga: I think both options are on the table to explore. I think in the early discussions was looking at existing facility. Maybe it would make sense to expand the current footprint and put in the necessary facilities to expand there versus a brand new building

Chair Furfaro: I do want to point out to you that the draft plan that we have actually shows a new bathhouse. It is on the other side of the old boat ramp so that we can use more camping permits for the long. I think Nadine's question is worth reviewing again. Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: What are the odds in the fiscal year that these funds will actually be tapped into? I was surprised to see this because we had the need for the restroom there for a number of years and we have done improvements to the septic system to bring it into compliance. I doubt that will you will actually expend any of the funds in the fiscal year. Can you tell me what the odds are?

Mr. Suga: I would not be able to answer that. I am not sure.

Mr. Rapozo: I think for sure we would probably be doing some design work with it. So, some of those moneys. We probably will not go to construction.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you.

Ms. Yukimura: Follow-up.

Chair Furfaro: JoAnn.

Ms. Yukimura: Now, I think I am relating back to Council Vice Chair's question because the Master Plan will look at locations of various infrastructure and what if the Master Plan is done after you have put in a new restroom and they say it would have been better over here given our Master Plan?

Mr. Rapozo: We have had these discussions and there is the current need and what is happening there, it may make sense that we may want to move forward and just look at the current structure and maybe expanding it. The way the use is, I think, the need is going to be there.

Ms. Yukimura: You are saying as a short term fix and probably keeping it in the location and just expanding it?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: Would help alleviate the real heavy pressure right now, but then long term look at locating?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: That makes sense to me. Expensive though, right?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: Is that one of the bathrooms? I forget. There are two (2) water closets there and I am sorry. I do not know what better word to use.

Mr. Rapozo: No, you have the correct term.

Ms. Yukimura: For women, there are two (2) right now?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: You might make it three (3) for all you know?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: I see. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Another word you could use would be just the *lua*.

Ms. Yukimura: I like that better.

Chair Furfaro: What Councilmember Yukimura and Vice Chair Nakamura are saying is that when that draft plan was do, it said what are the needs for the park and some of those were expanded bathrooms, a new boat ramp, and also was expanded camping area which would with be moving the bath facility. But at some point, has any conceptual plan been shared with the community?

Mr. Rapozo: Not yet, Chair because we are looking to fund the Master Plan and start to work on that. There are other developments with other land surrounding what we have already acquired that may change the scope of the Master Plan that you and I have talked about.

Chair Furfaro: The three (3) that I mentioned along with parking, getting the cars off the beach.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Those are the ones that came up as the most significant to address in a park plan. Good. Any more questions on Black Pot?

Ms. Nakamura: Just a comment that I think by the time you go through a procurement, run through a community based master planning process, and then figure out this is what we are actually going to do, that might be three (3) to five (5) years.

Mr. Rapozo: I agree.

Ms. Nakamura: I think that a short term solution that addresses the current concerns is probably a good thing to do.

Mr. Rapozo: That is why I kind of mentioned that. I think the current needs, we need to do something.

Ms. Nakamura: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Just so you hear me saying at two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) a year at a temporary fix, that is a pretty expensive toilet. That is the bottom line for me. JoAnn.

Ms. Yukimura: Well, if you want to further complicate it, there has been talk for a long time, but I think it is going to move into discussion about a sewer system for Hanalei and that will solve the problem of the park just like hooking in Salt Pond to the sewers will solve the problems. I do not know where you would be in five (5) years, but you might want to do a quick fix and then wait until the sewer comes in to do anything else in terms of bathrooms. Then I just wanted to ask, does this complete our discussion on the Master Plan as well because if so, I have some issues about that?

Chair Furfaro: The Master Plan for Black Pot?

Ms. Yukimura: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Why do not you go ahead.

Mr. Suga: It is on the last page on the bottom.

Ms. Yukimura: We are putting aside three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) because there was at one point, one of the landowners who was willing to pay for a Park Master Plan.

Mr. Rapozo: I am not aware of that.

Ms. Yukimura: I will pursue and see if that offer still exists. Thank you. Excuse me, what is the timetable, for the Master Plan? What is the timetable?

Mr. Rapozo: To get our contract is out for the master plan?

Ms. Yukimura: Yes.

Mr. Rapozo: We hope to, once we get okayed for this, then we will start working on scope of work for this project within this next fiscal year.

Ms. Yukimura: Are you going to be using your Park Planner for that?

Mr. Rapozo: It is a good possibility.

Ms. Yukimura: Because I just want to say this has to be done so carefully, the scope of work and also the selection of the consultant because one of the community is so involved there. But two, the issues that the Chair was already raising, parking and camping, you really want the best park planning consultant you can get because I think you are going to need people who know what kind of options they can provide to the community in terms of thinking about how to resolve these potential conflicts and so forth. Thank you.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Vice Chair.

Ms. Nakamura: Just to add to that. I think there might be some value to broadening the scope of this into not just a Master Plan, but a management plan because it is about managing the resources there. It is the water, the sand, the beach, and then the park and then the estuary, the river itself. Each component, I am not sure how far we are going to go into it because it is State land and State jurisdiction. But I think we probably want to look at it holistically and there is a management component that goes beyond the physical use. But how the community wants to manage – do you want to take the cars off the beach? How are you going to deal with the commercial uses in that area? If you are open to that, I would recommend it is a master and management plan so that scope covers that.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay. Those are good points.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum, you have the floor.

Mr. Bynum: No, I am good.

Chair Furfaro: This portion is behind us. Moving right along.

Mr. Suga: Next item is again on the top of page 3 continuing, bleachers in county parks. This is a project that is attached to another project that is teamed with another project on page 14. Page 14 has another bleacher component seven hundred twenty-four thousand dollars (\$724,000) in addition, to the seventy-one thousand dollars (\$71,000). The plans there are to do the bleacher replacement in Hanapēpē.

Chair Furfaro: Questions? Moving on.

Mr. Suga: Next item would be on the top of page 6. Hanapēpē Stadium ticket booth. This is previously funded dollars to address the Hanapēpē ticket booth that is currently there. As can you read the project scope includes design and construction of a permanent ticket booth that meets ADA and building code requirements.

Ms. Yukimura: What page are you on?

Chair Furfaro: Top of 6.

Mr. Suga: Top of page 6.

Chair Furfaro: The other thing that I just wanted to say, we are talking about this booth here. This is earmarked for twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) and I just have to reiterate for everyone that these need to be good numbers because I am getting concerned about our work on the street here and we have transferred money. Larry has to know he cannot come in for one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) change order and I am just saying this looks soft to me. But if you think it is the right number.

Mr. Rapozo: Everything will be done in-house, construction.

Chair Furfaro: This is in-house?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes, so this is material.

Chair Furfaro: All the work for the Hanapēpē Stadium ticket booth, this reflects material/in-house labor?

Mr. Rapozo: Correct, even the design. It is the architect that we have been using because this is really kind of like an ADA project for the ticket booth to meet ADA requirements.

Chair Furfaro: Moving along.

Mr. Suga: Moving on to page 8 in the middle of page 8. Kapa'a pool restroom reconstruction. This is a new project that is being proposed for four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) to address the restroom situation at the Kapa'a Swimming Pool. I believe Lenny is working on quotations for demo of the existing facilities. They provided temporary ADA unit port-a-potties to allow the residents to have some facilities available to them. This project here would work on the demolition as well as the interim fix to re-establish facilities at the site there.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you, Lenny for giving this some priority.
Councilwoman Yukimura?

Ms. Yukimura: You said for residents or did you mean users?

Mr. Suga: Users, sorry.

Ms. Yukimura: I mean there are residents around there so I just wondered if there was some kind of issue with that. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum. Kapa'a Pool.

Mr. Bynum: No.

Chair Furfaro: Any more questions, Kapa'a pool?

Ms. Nakamura: I think we are going to have a discussion tomorrow in more detail.

Chair Furfaro: Yes. Pools for both Waimea and Kapa'a.

Ms. Nakamura; This is just about fixing the current pool, not about looking for a different site?

Mr. Rapozo: No, just to stabilize the current situation.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Stabilization plan.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Councilmember Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: But it does show the costs that it is taking to keep sustained facilities that is very old, number one and then quite battered by the elements over there and number two, right?

Mr. Rapozo: Number three, that no maintenance has been done in that facility for a long, long time.

Ms. Yukimura: That is no preventative maintenance or just no attention?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: I have one (1) question. Are we looking at the filter equipment in the backwash or is that a discussion for tomorrow?

Mr. Rapozo: We did some work on that maybe three (3) or four (4) years ago. So, only the sand filtration system believe it or not is the original one that was placed there and everything built around it. If that was to go down, of course

today we have more advanced technological systems to replace that and that has always my concern. But talk about getting your money's worth with that particular item. It still works. The gadget looks old, funky, and it moves. We are going to have to cut it out if and when we need to replace it. But everything else is more modern and up-to-date.

Chair Furfaro: But none of this money is directed at that?

Mr. Rapozo: No, this is strictly the building, the things that are falling apart.

Chair Furfaro: We can talk about that tomorrow. Probably cut the roof off and pull the thing out from there.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: We will move right along.

Mr. Suga: Next item on page 8 after the Kapa'a Pool is the Kapa'a Stadium improvements. This is a project to construct the locker room facilities at Kapa'a Stadium there. This is under construct and construction has started for this particular project.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I want to understand these two (2) items that are right next to each other, three hundred ninety nine thousand six hundred twenty (\$399,620), you are moving from R12036? So, you are moving that money into R10010 and then having an additional two hundred forty-one thousand dollars (\$241,000)?

Mr. Suga: The two hundred forty-one thousand dollars (\$241,000) was carry over from the previous fiscal year and the item that you see subtracting three hundred ninety-nine thousand dollars (\$399,000), that is just an effort working with the Budget Analyst to consolidate because they are basically the same project, so just consolidating the moneys into one (1) project identification number.

Mr. Bynum: There are no new moneys for this year?

Mr. Suga: Correct.

Mr. Bynum: The six hundred forty-one thousand dollars (\$641,000), that is the total cost for stadium improvements when it is done?

Mr. Rapozo: No. If you look at the previous CIP Ordinance, for whatever reason it was done the way it was before I became Director, they had these two (2) projects. I mean these two (2) numbers related to the same project. They were different spots within the Ordinance itself. This is just a way to consolidate it and get it all-in-one line item so you are not looking all over place for it.

Mr. Bynum: I got that. The locker room is under construction?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: And that will entail depleting this amount?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Mr. Suga: There is actually a contract that Parks has out for the portion of the construction already that is certainly not reflective in these numbers. These numbers is to complete the construction at the facility because they already have a contract awarded that was from previous fiscal year.

Mr. Rapozo: I think the question is better answered. I think as of March when I answered Councilmember Rapozo's request as to the two (2) numbers four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) has been charged to this project which it does not show it being taken out.

Mr. Bynum: Four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) of the six hundred forty-one thousand dollars (\$641,000)?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes. We have been billed four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) for this project that does not reflect the balance here.

Mr. Bynum: The locker room?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: But there will be additional billings?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes, that has been charged so far for this project.

Mr. Bynum: Enough said. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Follow-up from Nadine.

Ms. Nakamura: Lenny, do you anticipate using the full six hundred forty-one thousand two hundred ninety-eighth dollars (\$641,298) to complete the locker room?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes. I just want to say that the locker rooms is one ADA connections again, from the locker room to the playing area. There was a need to upgrade the water system, a backflow device, and also water was getting from one end of the park that was going through the football field, fifteen (15) feet deep, maybe longer than that. It is going to be my luck that the thing will break when we get everything all cherried out, it is going to break under there, and we have to dig up the field. Since we are doing

this project, the water line was re-routed. Materials were purchased and that work was done in-house by our plumbers to upgrade the water system to account for the locker room and future needs of that area, whatever that may be.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: We need bleachers to complete that project, right? Is there funding for bleachers?

Mr. Rapozo: No. There are bleachers there now. Additional bleachers?

Mr. Bynum: Well, I do not want to belabor this. We can come back to it, but the original plans had more substantial bleachers than this.

Mr. Rapozo: I understand. But there are no bleachers in there right now for that.

Mr. Bynum: So, there is no plan to increase the seating?

Mr. Rapozo: There is no bleachers in this project for right now. This just the locker room and the upgrades.

Mr. Bynum: There is no money for additional?

Mr. Rapozo: No.

Mr. Bynum: Anywhere?

Mr. Rapozo: No.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you. That is something that we need to do to make this all we want it to be, yes?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: So future years CIP.

Mr. Rapozo: Future years.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Nadine.

Ms. Nakamura: You are working on the field as well?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Ms. Nakamura: So, this year's graduation will be on the...

Mr. Rapozo: I take a lot of responsibility for not getting it done now. I had relied on an uncle to help us with the communication is going to come over, the donation of the dirt. We found enough dirt now to do the project and an uncle who has done other fields within the County to make them nice, he was actively communicating with me and we were going to get it done and then the communication dropped. I apologize. At some point I should have cut bait and we should have done something else. But I made it go longer because I know he has the talent and for whatever reason it did not go that way. That is okay. Another uncle is helping us, just as talented, another brother who will be doing the grading for us. All of that will come over as a donation, they want to help the kids and when I get that final number, we will send it over as a donation from everybody. But that is going to be the field, including the grass will be donated by Kiahuna Golf Course. I have been in contact with those people. So, we are working on the field. I am meeting with the Principal of Kapa'a High School and we are actually ready to move there. But if they want to do it on the field, it is all dead weeds right now. They are going to have to deal with dead weeds or we can give them an alternative and holding it by the Pony League Field in there and then we can start with the dirt immediately. But in whichever way they do it, if they want to go and use the field, we will be moving dirt the day after graduation is done and we will start spreading dirt, get the thing leveled off, get the grass in, and we still have enough time to get it ready by football season.

Chair Furfaro: When Councilmember Nakamura and I met with you folks, we promised this timetable on the work?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: I thought they were only going to miss one (1) graduation.

Mr. Rapozo: They did not miss the last one.

Chair Furfaro: We had this one as the wiggle room.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Now on the water flow, I was kind of surprised to hear you say, Keith, water backflow protectors are they not required now for any residential use for drinking water?

Mr. Rapozo: Backflow water?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Backflow preventer, so somebody does not tamper with the water and it goes back with the system.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: But Kapa'a does not have that?

Mr. Rapozo: No, Kapa'a had it. But we need to upgrade it
Chair. We are going to need more pressure to water the field.

Chair Furfaro: Got it. I am squared. Moving forward.

Mr. Suga: The next item would be on the bottom of page 8, Kekaha Gardens Park. This is a Holo Holo 2020 project. Moneys are being asked to be added in the amount of one million four hundred thousand dollars (\$1,400,000) new moneys and this would be to provide construction for the facility out there at Kekaha Gardens Park to meet the project scope to provide, as I am reading here on my spreadsheet, comfort station, playground equipment, basketball court, and parking lot improvements.

Chair Furfaro: I want to go back to Kekaha Gardens. Lenny, I am seeing a lot of communication going on between Jose Bulatao regarding Kekaha Gardens and I think Beth is in the loop and everything. Are we all in balance here?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes. In my visits with the Hawaiian Homes Neighborhood Association, E Ola Mau, down there, this park is thirty (30) years in the design making, right? We have made a commitment as a Holo Holo project that we can get it done. The new people around the park had stated that they never had a chance to input. As we came into being, the contract for the design ran out. We were able to, through a procurement process of course, we were fortunate enough to get the same design consultant. To give them at least one more chance to give input for those who live around park to give their input, we asked the consultant as part of the scope to include one more community outreach and they did that. Now we are finalizing the design and then we will be ready to move to construction. You are not going to satisfy everybody out there. I think we are okay.

Chair Furfaro: No. But I just want to make sure from the correspondence I am seeing, you are telling me there is going to be one more outreach.

Mr. Rapozo: We did it already.

Chair Furfaro: You did it already?

Mr. Rapozo: We are taking those comments and finalizing the design and then we will move to construction.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: Two (2) questions. One is will the grass in this park be irrigated?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: Right answer. The second question, a lot of that correspondence that the Chair was referencing had to do with a project that the Hawaiian Homelands project nearby and the cumulative impacts. But we do not really have a say over that project, right?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: That is between Hawaiian Homelands and their community?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Nadine.

Ms. Nakamura: Does the two million dollars (\$2,000,000) include the playground equipment needed?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes, that would be complete build out for everything.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Any more questions on that? If not, moving right along.

Mr. Suga: Next park item would be on page 11 in the middle. The Kuaa'i War Memorial Convention Hall improvements and I believe I think caught on the webcast when Eddie Sarita was here speaking to the Convention Hall. This project would address the jealousies windows, replacing aisle carpeting and some exterior lighting.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: Exterior lighting meaning lighting the parking lot?

Mr. Suga: No, I believe this is exterior lighting right outside the Convention Hall.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes, which includes the parking lot. Those globe lights.

Mr. Bynum: Yes. So, it will have some impact on the parking lot?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: You leave there after a play late at night, it is pitch dark. So, that is a good safety improvement.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes, it is going to be bird compliant. It is fully shielded cutoff.

Mr. Bynum: Great, thank you.

Mr. Rapozo: Just to let you know that I think two (2) years ago the Council funded photovoltaic three (3) lights for the backside of the parking lot and we finally found a contractor that is able. Within the next two (2) weeks, that project is finally going to be done. So, that is going to be nice.

Mr. Bynum: I had forgotten about that. Thank you for reminding me. That is good news.

Mr. Rapozo: We have not forgotten. Eddie has been trying hard for the of installation.

Mr. Bynum: I know he shares that concern.

Chair Furfaro: He is doing a very good job for us.

Mr. Rapozo: Awesome.

Chair Furfaro: JoAnn.

Ms. Yukimura: Was there a reason why we did not put all of the lights as photovoltaic with an electrical backup?

Mr. Rapozo: The current one is a retrofit. We are considering it just being a retrofit.

Ms. Yukimura: Do you have light posts in? You do already?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: I think Eddie was looking at the light posts over here though.

Mr. Rapozo: He was looking at the light fixtures.

Ms. Yukimura: Oh, just the fixtures?

Mr. Rapozo: Because there are bird compliant as well.

Ms. Yukimura: Right. So, they would not have qualified for or they would not have been logical to put in photovoltaic then?

Mr. Rapozo: With the poles that we have, we are just replacing the fixtures on the top.

Ms. Yukimura: I will ask the question of purchasing whether in cases where we have new lights, are they going to be lights at Kekaha Gardens Park?

Mr. Rapozo: Not for play. But I think of we have parking lot lights.

Ms. Yukimura: Wherever there are new lights, are we going to require them to be photovoltaic with an electrical backup?

Mr. Rapozo: We did not require it. But we can look into that.

Ms. Yukimura: It is a question for procurement whether it is depending on what the research shows whether it is a viable standard to adopt for all of our parks or at least be a part of a checklist in design in our design projects for consideration and then maybe is the cost is too much or there are no photovoltaic lights that are a Shearwater approved, then you would not put them in.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: But if procurement could look at that and actually this came up with our Energy Coordinator, that would be something to pull him in on. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Good point. Any more questions on this item? If not, moving on.

Mr. Suga: Moving on to the next Parks item is the lighting retrofits, kind of the bottom half of page 11. Those two (2) projects that total up about a little over one million dollars (\$1,000,000) is to address lighting retrofits at Waimea Canyon Park, Kōloa Park Field, Kekaha Park, and Kapa‘a Softball Field.

Chair Furfaro: I am going to say something here that I think is really worth looking into especially Mr. Barreira is here and Mr. Heu is here. Channel 2 had a news report that seemed to challenge the mandate on State fields of retrofitting for birds.

Mr. Rapozo: I saw that.

Chair Furfaro: You saw that? I think this is a very interesting item that maybe we should have the two (2) ladies that have been working on our retrofit

plan and the County Attorney get a little closer to what is the State's position is because you have to remember all of these things that we are retrofitting for basically support the State Department of Education and their athletic programs. But the State in this article, this television report, is kind of challenging the thing. I would certainly think someone would at least go back and look at what the State is saying about their position.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes. The girls and I had that discussion when we saw that, to try and see what...

Chair Furfaro: You and the girls? You mean the two (2) Attorneys?

Mr. Rapozo: The two (2) attorneys.

Chair Furfaro: You can call them young ladies.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes, we had the discussion. It was also interesting that they mentioned the Shearwater, the Wedged-Tail, that is not on the Endangered Species List. Our Newells are. If you remember tow (2) years ago, they lost like three hundred (300) of them and they did not get anything.

Chair Furfaro: But I think it would not hurt to probe this a little bit.

Mr. Rapozo: Agree. The Mayor has allowed me to be part of the Starlight Committee that was done before Senator Hanabusa U.S. Representative Hanabusa that she mandated that the Starlight Committee was formed and I think Gary is familiar with that. I sit on that and represent the County. I think that the State is going to try and do it because I told them that they needed to watch because they had some of the birds that we have on O'ahu. I said you will sympathize with me when you have to retrofit Aloha Stadium. I think this is part of the move. The other move was if you notice, Department of Transportation (DOT) their signs on the freeway now, they used to have lights going this way, but now they have lights going this way.

Chair Furfaro: Down.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes. These are all a part of the Starlight Committee.

Chair Furfaro: Well, I just bring it up because it is taking a lot of our financial resources and so forth and we are trying to negotiate compliance, then the political subdivision above us seems to have a different position.

Mr. Rapozo: It is kind of interesting and the other interesting part they are sitting at the table with us. DOT is at the table with us on this Committee. Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) is there with us. They recognize Kaua'i as being the leader in doing this pro-active approach. DOT is trying to Band-Aid

that we are going to start doing lights being all fully cutoff and on the freeways we are going to do this instead of this. The flagpoles will be less than three thousand (3,000) luminas so that they can face up but not affect.

Chair Furfaro: It is something that I said in the very beginning, to me it was not totally clear with the Federal interpretation and it was even less with the State interpretation. But since that article about two (2 weeks ago, I think it is something that we should really find out what is a level playing field for everybody here? We are on the same field.

Mr. Rapozo: Agreed.

Chair Furfaro: Light retrofits. Next item.

Mr. Suga: Next item is on the bottom of page 11, Līhu'e Stadium Baseball Field improvements. I think all of the Councilmembers are aware that with this CIP budget being proposed, obviously there were no new moneys being added and unfortunately to have added moneys proposed for new projects, there were some projects that needed to be defunded to provide a source of funds and the Līhu'e Baseball Stadium Field projects were defunded. The majority of those funds there, the one million one hundred thousand dollar s (\$1,100,000) went to the Kapa'a Pool restroom improvements as well as the Black Pot Beach restroom improvements.

Chair Furfaro: We defunded this? Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: This is part of a reoccurring theme in the County of Kaua'i is that we do plans, we make commitments, then we do not follow through with those plans for years and years, and then we defund it. As this points out, this was part of Vidinha Master Plan in 1969, updated in 1972. These funds have been there, commitments to the community to upgrade our premiere baseball field supposedly the best on the island. So, you are going to do the lighting but you are not going to do the bleachers, the announcer's booth, or the dugouts.

Ms. Nakamura: Next page.

Mr. Bynum: That is for lighting, I believe. It said total one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) goes away, something goes away. I think the way I read this, you are keeping the lighting on the next page, the lighting retrofits. But there is ADA compliance issues. There are dugouts that are substandard, there are announcers booths that are falling apart, and there is no funding for that. This is that funding, it is going away, right? How do we explain that to the Līhu'e baseball people that have been counting on this for years. They have had these promises. This is a reoccurring theme, make commitments, fund it, nothing happens years later, and then the community says what do you mean the money went away? Unless they are watching right now or somebody notifies them, this project has many Līhu'e advocates for many years who have made these commitments. We have at least two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) of additional funding parks project while basically we are saying hey you guys

we made these commitments to, six (6) or eight (8) years ago, it is not important anymore. You have been pushed out of the plan and we put those projects in front of you. I have a problem with that. I do not know how to fix it because we need this money. It should not be a matter of this project versus that. It should be once we go down a path, we expend County money, we make commitments to the community, and we should be held accountable. I mean the collective "we." I do not believe this is in the six-year CIP either. The message is we are going to put lights at that stadium so can you play at night, but it is not going to be ADA compliant, it is not go have decent bleachers, and it is not going to have dugouts. It is still going to be a facility we are ashamed of when we host an off island tournament. I guess there is no answer to that. That is a question. What do we do? There was this idea of having a sports complex that could host tournaments in Lihū'e. We dropped the tennis from the plan. Over the years we spent a lot of money on those plans and we just keep dropping pieces off. I guess there will never be an integrated process at Vidinha because we moved away from it and we are not even putting this money back in six (6) years.

Chair Furfaro: Well, maybe I will ask Mr. Heu a little bit later towards the end of the day and we will just pop the question, is there some approach to new bond money in the new future? We will keep that question to the end.

Ms. Nakamura: Is anybody going to respond?

Mr. Bynum: Is anybody going to respond?

Mr. Rapozo: So noted.

Mr. Bynum: So noted?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: Okay. Pretty frustrating.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Heu did you hear me? Before we end that day, we are going to ask that. If you could come up a little later.

Mr. Bynum: Yes. We are fulfilling a commitment to Kekaha that is thirty (30) years old. I like that. But we are doing it at expense of a previous commitment.

Ms. Yukimura: That is true.

Chair Furfaro: We will hold that query. Next project, please.

Mr. Suga: Next project is in the middle of page 12. As Councilman Bynum was speaking to this is Lihū'e Baseball Stadium Field lighting which would be retrofitting the existing Vidinha Stadium parking lot and installing new lighting for the baseball field.

Ms. Nakamura: I have a question.

Chair Furfaro: Go ahead.

Ms. Nakamura: Just to clarify, then the pieces that got cut out of this from your original plan was the bleachers and announcers booth?

Mr. Suga: And the ADA.

Mr. Rapozo: The bleachers have land been fitted in. They have bleachers. Then the announcer's booth, the dugouts, and the transitionals from the parking lot to the bleachers and the dugouts.

Ms. Nakamura: The transitional walkways to meet ADA compliance?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Ms. Nakamura: But the bleachers are there?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: May follow-up? I know you are trusted too, Lenny with these choices that are tough to make. But at least we have ADA compliant bleachers, at least we have to get the walkways from the parking lot to the bleachers. I mean I cannot imagine that we cannot not do that. So, where is the funding to get a person with disabilities into those ADA compliant bleachers? How do we do that and when will that happen?

Mr. Rapozo: Those moneys are not in there in this current CIP plan.

Mr. Bynum: Well, almost any citizen could file a suit against the County and be successful overnight.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes, I understand.

Mr. Bynum: Well, when we know that, we need to in good conscience we need a plan to be in compliance with the Federal law.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes. I agree.

Mr. Bynum: At least that part. Then maybe we can get some volunteers to paint the dugouts. That would be nice.

Ms. Nakamura: Question.

Chair Furfaro: I have Mr. Hooser first. But Lenny, please take these comments back to what I have said. When you initiate some restoration or remodeling, make sure these things these are not triggering other compliance issues.
Mr. Hooser.

Mr. Rapozo: I will take this back.

Mr. Hooser: It is kind of a process question. So, following-up on Councilmember Bynum, in this particular situation the need for sidewalks that would be ADA compliant sidewalks if in fact the Council felt that that was a priority item, we could, I believe, amend the CIP budget to include those items. I just wanted to confirm that that is true and is that a ready to go kind of project? Could we in fact insert sidewalks into that? I know we would have to take the funds from some other location to stay in balance. But we could redirect those funds to those kind of improvements if the majority of the Council wanted to do that?

Mr. Suga: Correct.

Mr. Rapozo: The designs for that should be completed by the end of this month.

Mr. Hooser: I just wanted to check. Thank you. Thank you,
Mr. Chair.

Mr. Bynum: Can we send that question to the Department of Parks and Recreation what the cost would be to just become compliant with ADA on that facility? Is should ask now? I do not expect them to have the figure.

Chair Furfaro: I do not think that would be fair. But we will send it over as a question.

Ms. Yukimura: That is not what I am saying.

Mr. Bynum: That is my request.

Ms. Nakamura: I have a follow-up.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, go right ahead. She had it after
Mr. Hooser.

Ms. Nakamura: Lenny, when you went from one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) to seven hundred ninety-three thousand dollars (\$793,000) for the Lihu'e Stadium Baseball Field, that was a difference of three hundred thirty-eight thousand dollars (\$338,000) approximately.

Mr. Rapozo: I am sorry, from one million dollars (\$1,00,000), okay.

Ms. Nakamura: Yes. It was one million dollars (\$1,00,000), you took that away completely and then you have seven hundred ninety-three thousand dollars (\$793,000) plugged in to do that lighting and the parking lot retrofit. So, the difference between those two (2) amounts is the three hundred thirty-eight thousand dollars (\$338,000). If you has that number, then you could do the announcer's booth.

Mr. Rapozo: The three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000)?

Ms. Nakamura: Yes.

Mr. Rapozo: No.

Ms. Nakamura: The ADA dugout.

Mr. Rapozo: No.

Mr. Suga: Councilwoman, those with two (2) separate project line items in itself. The one that you are looking to on page 12, the seven hundred ninety-three thousand dollars (\$793,000) that was previously funded was to address the lighting issues or items and the project item on the previous page was previously funded also at that one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) for the improvements that Lenny spoke of.

Ms. Nakamura: Oh, okay.

Mr. Rapozo: Councilmember Nakamura, one of the hints if you look at the you number, the baseball field improvements, the lighting is a "w." The previous one that we are talking about is an "r." The "r" number is a newer project.

Ms. Nakamura: Is a what?

Mr. Rapozo: Is a newer project.

Chari Furfaro: The "r" project is a Recreations project and the "w" is Public Works.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes. When Parks was part of the Public Works, is when this project was first initiated and the reason it had not been built out in speaking with the previous planning and development, at that time they still did not have guidelines as to what would be the appropriate lighting for the birds. So, they did not spend the money. Now that we have gone through what we have gone through with the birds, that we have moved forward to do the design and that is just an older project that did not address the ADA needs or the one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) that we were going to use for the project.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: JoAnn and then Mr. Bynum.

Ms. Yukimura: I would like to get not just the amount to make the ADA compliant, but each improvement that was eliminated, I would like to know the amount associated with it. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum, have you the floor.

Mr. Bynum: I am just relying on my memory, but we had a discussion about there last year. My recollection, if it is correct is initially the Mayor's proposal was to eliminate both items and then in discussion during budget hearing, I believe when the May submittal came back, they both stayed in there. Now it is a year later and part of the discussion was are we not ready to do the lighting because we now know how to do it because in delaying that, there was a good reason for that. But the other line item remained in there last year and now this year the lighting is staying in and that is my memory of that. This is something that we have talked about for the last couple budget sessions. Again, especially these park projects, there is a constituency out there. There is a group of people who are really invested in this, who celebrated when the money went in there and then assumed that it would happen. Then they call us up, sometime you, sometimes me, and say what happened to that? Then we go well, the money has been there five (5) years. Anyway, it is just a reoccurring theme.

Chair Furfaro: Any more questions? We are delighted that you are on board as a team. But have I to tell you that I am sending over a question regarding a real understanding of how these moneys are first appropriated to you and then what influence we have on any changes because I do not think we have any changes, that is part of the problem that we have authority on. But the bigger problem is somebody needs to go back and start auditing where these projects started from and where we diverted them to and then we diverted again and we divert again. We need an audit trail because I think the way Mr. Bynum says it is exactly right. Citizens see these things going into Līhu'e Stadium and say oh, it is in and then all of a sudden we have very little influence as once the money is diverted to another direction. I am going to get a legal opinion on that and share it with the Council. But in the meantime, we are overpromising and under delivering and we need to audit this. Let us move on.

Mr. Suga: Next item on the bottom of page 12 is the Lydgate Pond. This here is money, sixty-one thousand dollars (\$61,000) being left in this particular project is to close out Ocean Net's contract and allow them to provide the final report as well as to support the community's efforts to clean up the pond.

Chair Furfaro: Questions? Lydgate. Mr. Bynum?

Mr. Bynum: Actually, I am sorry it is a comment. I just wanted to thank the Parks Department for their ongoing collaboration with this incredible group of volunteers. Every single Saturday morning there is a whole bunch of people down there at Lydgate cleaning this pond over and over and over again. They have even found some innovative ways to try to scoop up the things. I just really have to recognize those

people and the Friends of Kamalani at Lydgate Park which I am not as actively involved in as I would like and as I used to be. But there is an amazing group of people and a collaboration that has developed with Parks over the years that has been really good for our community.

Mr. Rapozo: I agree totally.

Chair Furfaro: Lydgate Pond?

Ms. Yukimura: I have a question.

Chair Furfaro: She had it first, and then you.

Ms. Nakamura: I wanted to find out what was the amount contracted with Ocean Net?

Mr. Rapozo: The first amount? I do not have that. But this was the result of the last storm we had in March. Initially, we had put in about I think it was forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) and then some other funding was added on in case we needed to do mitigative work that they identified. But as Councilmember Bynum said, the collaboration of the volunteers and their ingenuity we did not have to spend the money that we had thought we would needed. So, that is why they eliminated the hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) plus there. We just continued to help support them with the roll offs and making sure we contacted the Army Corps of Engineers to make sure what they were doing was acceptable. So, they have continued to do their work.

Ms. Nakamura: When do we expect the final report from Ocean Net?

Mr. Rapozo: I need to check with Public Works with that because they were the ones with the contract management for this project.

Ms. Nakamura: Do you anticipate any costs with the long-term fix for the pond?

Mr. Rapozo: No. Actually right before this last rain event, the pond was looking really good. Of course, we had some more wood debris come in and they have continued to work. But no.

Chair Furfaro: Lenny, we are going send that question over about Ocean Net and the timetable one more time because you still owe us an update on the pond coming up in August or something.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes, they are supposed to be coming back.

Chair Furfaro: But we will send it over as a question on Ocean Net. JoAnn, you have the floor.

Ms. Yukimura: My question was the question Vice Chair asked about when the Ocean Net's final report is due? I do want to echo what the other Councilmembers have said about the volunteers. They have been quite extraordinary. I hope Ocean Net's report is going to have a practical solution to this problem.

Chair Furfaro: But you are recognizing that we have a final summary with us?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: And with Ocean Net?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Lydgate Ponds, anymore? If not, next item.

Mr. Suga: Next item is on the top of page 13. Lydgate small pavilion renovations. Again, this is previously funded moneys getting carried over and this is to address the eight (8) small pavilions at Lydgate Park. There is another item in the back that is of the Parks Special Trust Fund that is to the amount of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) which would work towards the main pavilion at Lydgate and the restroom near the lifeguard, I believe, right Lenny?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Mr. Suga: The comfort station near the lifeguard.

Chair Furfaro: Say that again about the East Side Trust Fund, five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).

Mr. Suga: So, there is another item in the back of this spreadsheet on I believe on page 26.

Chair Furfaro: Is that the current balance?

Mr. Suga: I am sorry, page 25 at the bottom, Lydgate Pavilion and restroom renovations, about five hundred one thousand dollars (\$501,000). In combination, the five hundred one thousand dollars (\$501,000) and sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) here would address the eight (8) small pavilions as well as the main pavilion at Lydgate and the comfort station near the lifeguard stand.

Chair Furfaro: Steve, let me understand that. This is money that we have transferred from the Park Fund to the CIP for the East Side?

Mr. Suga: The moneys on page 25 was funded that were previously approved in prior years on the bottom of page 25.

STEVEN A. HUNT, Director of Finance: These are funds that are available in Community District Funds.

Chair Furfaro: Right. This is money that was transferred in from the East Side Community District for parks?

Mr. Hunt: I am not sure it is being transferred in. It is being utilized to fund the project.

Chair Furfaro: I will use the term "transferred in" because on the CIP, they are separate in separate geographic categories. So, when I look at that number, if it is lower because some of that money is being used for this project whether it came this year, last year, I do not really care. Council Vice Chair.

Ms. Nakamura: A quick question. What was the source of the Special Trust Funds?

Chair Furfaro: They are fees charge to developers and they go into the district for which their projects occurred. If it was new project in Kapa'a town, the park assessment fee goes into Kapa'a district. Am I right, Steve?

Mr. Hunt: I believe it is both environmental impact and park assessment that is generated at the time of permitting.

Chair Furfaro: Yes. Any more questions on the Lydgate pavilions? Moving right along.

Mr. Suga: Next project, if we can turn to page 15, kind of in the middle of page 15, playground renovations Kīlauea and Anahola Homestead Park, one hundred thirty-five thousand dollars (\$135,000). This is for the safety surface and playground equipment to be repaired at Isenberg, Kīlauea, and Anahola Homestead Parks.

Chair Furfaro: Lenny, out of curiosity, have you been in touch with Sue Bennington?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes, Boynton. I explained it to her.

Chair Furfaro: You have talked with her?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Sue, I apologized for using the wrong last name. Questions on this item? If not, next item, please?

Mr. Suga: Next item is the play ground resurfacing, Kalawai and Kōloa Park. Just below that, the previous one project cope includes resurfacing Kalawai and Kōloa Parks.

Mr. Bynum: What page are we on?

Mr. Suga: Oh, excuse me, page 15.

Chair Furfaro: 15, about midway, lower half.

Mr. Bynum: Got it.

Ms. Yukimura: Question.

Chair Furfaro: Go ahead.

Ms. Yukimura: Actually, I just want to say thank you, that that is going to happen because there have been a lot of concerns expressed about Kalawai Park, I know. I am glad that you are looking at – do these between R13004 and R13005, is that all the playgrounds that need attention on the island right now?

Mr. Rapozo: Remember I told the story last week about the...

Ms. Yukimura: Yes, about the procurement problem.

Mr. Rapozo: This is the vendor.

Ms. Yukimura: I understand. I think you folks have through great efforts solved that problem.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes, done.

Ms. Yukimura: Congratulations and thank you on that. But my question is are there other playgrounds?

Mr. Rapozo: Two (2) have just arisen. We were just talking about that, which is another vendor.

Ms. Yukimura: I think last year I asked for an inventory.

Mr. Rapozo: Hanapēpē Heights Park.

Ms. Yukimura: I think we got these playground equipments at the same time many years back. So, they are all going to start needing replacement. I believe I asked for an inventory of all of the playground equipment.

Mr. Rapozo: Right.

Ms. Yukimura: I think have you provided that?

Mr. Rapozo: No, we are working on that because you just asked for that during our budget.

Ms. Yukimura: In terms of a line item that is going to allow you to replace them in a timely basis, I would rather have us anticipate it then wait for people to call us and say my kid is catching their feet in the broken ground covering and whatever. Can you provide that list?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes, we will. We are working on it and we also have a playground replacement program spreadsheet that we wanted to provide as well.

Ms. Yukimura: That is very good. I look forward to seeing that. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Any more on this subject matter? If not, next item.

Mr. Suga: Next project I am going to go over is on page 17, kind of in the middle of page 17. Softball field pavilions. This is a project and correct me if I am wrong, Lenny, that there is collaboration going on with the community and the County is providing materials and in-house design and allowing community groups to install.

Chair Furfaro: Lenny, any specific ballpark?

Mr. Rapozo: Peter Rayno Park and Isenberg.

Chair Furfaro: It is right at the end. I see it. Thank you.
Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: Again, amazing community volunteers that put in a whole new in-filed there and it has irrigation, right?

Mr. Rapozo: Peter Rayno has irrigation. The Isenberg has irrigation.

Mr. Bynum: Just need to recognize those volunteer and its collaboration. What a great and in the long-term history of the County doing that.

Mr. Rapozo: The Isenberg one has changed a little bit because the players there have changed. They have not been coming to us and saying let us get this pavilion done. The Peter Rayno group as you folks know are very active. They are working with William and our staff to do the design.

Mr. Rapozo: Do you know if anyone has talked to King Kaumuali'i about not parking cars on that field in future? When they have May Day, they park cars there traditionally and with new grass and new irrigation, parking cars on ball field.

Mr. Rapozo: It can work because we do the same thing with Hospice at Vidinha Stadium. They just need to take the time to identify every sprinkler head so that we do not get any damages. The same thing that they do for Hospice over at North Vidinha, they identify every sprinkler head and we are able to negotiate the sprinklers so there is sometimes minimal damage. But they avoid a good portion of it and not too much damage.

Mr. Bynum: I agree but I also disagree. Turf management means keeping the field aerated and to compact it and driving cars and trucks over it. When you are diving for a ball in the outfield and you are hitting the ground, you do not want compacted soil there. But I know we are doing our best. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Why do we not do that by design in Waianea?

Mr. Rapozo: I played in Peter Rayno and did the same thing. I have played at that park my whole life. Hanamā'ulu Yankees.

Chair Furfaro: Next item.

Mr. Suga: Next item is on the bottom of page 17, the Veteran Cemetery improvements. The scope included structural assessment of pavilion chapel, Building Code upgrades, and access road restoration.

Chair Furfaro: It is my understanding that this is our share?

Mr. Rapozo: Correct.

Chair Furfaro: But is this tied into a master repair and maintenance (R&M) plan that the Veterans Administration is contributing to us and we are just working with them?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes, it is. Our last discussions about this I was really disturbed about what was said in that report. I followed up first with the communication to Tony Elliot. Mr. Elliot provided his report and Mr. Elliot was a little dismayed as to why someone would say that to a Councilmember. But I did ask that I want to immediately have a meeting with him, the OVS Director and us regarding what was said and if that is true because we have always been told there is not one hundred percent (100%) funding. The County has taken a lot of the funding out on our own. Even burials, we on get three hundred dollars (\$300) or four hundred dollars (\$400) a burial and that costs the County more than that in the labor cost that we provide. I wanted to get straight, what is the Secretary talking about and if there are moneys out there, then either we are not getting our fair share or the Secretary is not well informed. But I needed to get that. As a mentioned, I took my grandmother there as soon as I turned fifteen (15) in 1980 and my grandfather, my tutu, and my papa are buried there. I have seen that place to what it is today and they have done an incredible job to 1980 until what it is today. But if we are not meeting the standard, we are not hitting the standard, then we need to see what we are missing and I am going to ask at this meeting, I did pass on that if we have to get trained,

let us get trained. If there is money we can expend do get the head stoned fixed, let us do it, whatever it will take. I agree. That is a scared hallow ground.

Chair Furfaro: I guess my point is we need to follow up on this. We, at the Council, have not backed away from our responsibility. We have done a lot the things since my time on the Council for the last twelve (120 year. But I do not even remember seeing the invitation.

Mr. Rapozo: The invitation, Ian followed up and he showed me the E-mail. It came about a day or two (2) before he got here. So, Ian was accurate.

Chair Furfaro: That is good. If you could stay close to that Lenny, we would appreciate that.

Mr. Rapozo: I agree. I will.

Chair Furfaro: Next item.

Mr. Suga: Next item is on the top of page 18, Vidinha Stadium track and field. This project here, the scope includes installation of improvements which include certified area for throwing events such as discuss and shot put and improved electronic equipment.

Chair Furfaro: Questions? Moving right along.

Mr. Suga: The next set of projects is on the...

Chair Furfaro: A question here from the Vice Chair.

Ms. Nakamura: Just a comment that it is good to see this in here and I know Lenny this is something that will help to attract Statewide events at this stadium. That is what we want do is leverage our resources and bring it up to standards that will attract outside visitors to our island. Thank you for working on this.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Moving right along.

Mr. Suga: Next set of items is the bottom of page 18 in relationship to the Wailua Golf course. So, there are three (3) projects there. Maintenance building exterior aprons, replacing drive range net and poles, and replacing existing water lines. Again, I think they speak for themselves

Chair Furfaro: We are having a separate discussion on Wailua Golf Course. We posted it as an agenda item.

Mr. Suga: Next item in the middle of page 19, Waimea Pool roof renovation. This project is going along with the work that is being done and being

funded also by the 209 Fund. There is some design work for the Waimea Pool and this thirty-seven thousand dollars (\$37,000) is to address the design for the roof renovation.

Chair Furfaro: Questions, members? Moving right along.

Mr. Suga: Next to item, I will jump to is on page 25.

Chair Furfaro: I am sorry, the number again?

Mr. Suga: Page 25. In the middle of page 25. Po'ipū restroom renovations. Just under one hundred two thousand dollars (\$102,000) is for the work on restroom facilities at Po'ipū Beach that I think you are all aware of.

Ms. Nakamura: can I ask a question?

Chair Furfaro: GO ahead.

Ms. Nakamura: Does that include the roof improvements?

Mr. Rapozo: No.

Ms. Nakamura: That is separate?

Mr. Rapozo: The roof improvement came from the Revolving Fund.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Next item.

Mr. Suga: Next item, on the same page under the Līhu'e district, Isenberg Park basketball court, two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for reconstruction of the basketball court. Currently, we are working on specifications and the design.

Chair Furfaro: Questions? Seeing none, next item.

Mr. Suga: next item, Isenberg Park playground. That is to again, for working on resurfacing for the playground and currently working on specification and design. The next item, Lydgate Pavilion, we kind of spoke about with the previous item for Lydgate. On page 26, the last page at the top, relocate/reconstruct temporary maintenance construction temporary maintenance shelter. This is the white tented temporary structure that is visible off of the highway on the golf course there and the thought is to be able to bring this down and relocate it to the Kapa'a Base Yard so that they can utilize it to store some equipment.

Mr. Bynum:
funded before we can move it?

Is there an ETA on that? We have to get it

Mr. Suga:

Exactly.

Mr. Bynum:
Thank you.

As quickly as possible after July 1st, right?

Chair Furfaro:

Is it salvageable?

Mr. Rapozo:

Chair, it is salvageable.

Chair Furfaro:

It can be mended?

Mr. Rapozo:
skin.

Once we move it, we need to purchase a new

Chair Furfaro:
skin.

It is not mending the skin, it is replacing the

Mr. Rapozo:

Replacing the skin.

Chair Furfaro:

Councilwoman Nakamura, go ahead.

Ms. Nakamura:

This pays to relocate the structure?

Mr. Rapozo:

Yes.

Ms. Nakamura:
pass that area?

Once it is relocated, what we will see when we

Mr. Rapozo:

Hopefully nice green grass.

Ms. Nakamura:
have a replacement area?

It was used as a maintenance shelter, so do they

Mr. Rapozo:
building which was rebuilt.

This was a result of the fire of the maintenance

Mr. Bynum:

You are talking about the maintenance facility?

Mr. Rapozo:

Yes.

Mr. Bynum:

May I ask a question about that?

Chair Furfaro:

I think you need to ask me. Yes.

Mr. Bynum: I just wondered if you are aware of the lesson learned with that? I have learned of the years that value engineering is not always a good idea. These aprons were part of the original scope of work and when the bid came in high, we value engineered these out and we all said the time, we are going to need those aprons for that building to function. Are you aware of that history?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: I think it is a cautionary tale to be careful what you value engineer out. We put out a project with a scope of work, that is what we want to meet the needs and then sometime it is better to find the money than to cut it out because you have to come back later and retrofit which is usually more expensive. Thank you.

Mr. Suga: The last item I want to touch on is kind of the middle of page 26, park improvements with regard to ADA for Papaloa-Waipouli-Kawaihau district.

Chair Furfaro: Questions members? If not, I am going to go around the table. Are these questions for the ADA.

Mr. Hooser: I have a question on an item that was not on the list. Okay, we will come back. We are going to go right around. Any questions for this particular piece? No. Questions around the table, I will start with Mr. Hooser.

Mr. Hooser: I got an E-mail today from Kapa'a Business Association and I am on the board also for disclosure. They mentioned that last year they were promised Kapa'a and the Kapa'a Town planning money and was it going to be in the CIP budget? Kapa'a Beach where the library is and Kapa'a town. Apparently there was discussion before I got here and some agreement that there would be a master plan funded for that area, changing that park to a passive park.

Mr. Rapozo: I have had some discussion about the master plan and then we shared the master plan of course, what we went through. Some of the questions were well he did not bring his plans when we had the master plan. But we also talked about developing the other soccer park because they still do not want to displace kids. Maybe that person needs to call my Office so we can discuss. I am not aware of a master plan we promised to get funded this year.

Mr. Bynum: Neill Sams.

Mr. Hooser: Yes. Neill Sams. He said we were assured the at a meeting last year with the Parks Director that funding would start this project would be in this year's budget. He is Vice President of Kapa'a Business Association.

Mr. Rapozo: I think we need to have a talk. We did sit down and I think he brought me his plans.

Chair Furfaro: I am going to see if there Bynum can shine some more light on this.

Mr. Bynum: Well, I have been waiting three (3) weeks to talk about this.

Mr. Hooser: Same thing?

Mr. Bynum: Yes.

Mr. Hooser: Okay, good.

Mr. Bynum: I want to show an image. This theme, promises made, not kept. This is an image from the Kapa'a-Wailua Development Plan from 1972, the year after I graduated high school. If you look at the image at the top and that writing says, "remove active sports phase out." That is not written in, that is in the plan because in 1972 things were not in color. But this concept since 1972 Kapa'a Business has said, our beach park is underutilized and I have passed out more pages of this development plan. It is like this is the heart of town, you cannot see the ocean, it does not have any passive use, and there is very much detail in that plan about redoing Kapa'a Town Park into a town park and about the economic development. The lower part of this talks about doing renewal because in 1975 we put a special treatment district in Kapa'a to do these plans and to bring economic vitality back to Kapa'a town forty (40) years ago. The Kapa'a Business Association has advocate for this for forty (40) years and a few years ago Mayor Baptiste said let us get back on track and we acquired eleven (11) acres from the State, we spent money on an EIS/EA and conceptual plan and so we were moving towards and the idea is that this eleven (11) acres will have two (2) soccer fields because Kapa'a Business Association for forty (40) years also said we do not want to displace. We have a tremendous need for these sports. There is one (1) soccer field in that park. But that is a town park and it will be a shot in the arm for the economic community of Kapa'a and they have been so patient. They waited, we spent County money, we went down this route, and now we have been delayed four (4) years. Last year, the year before I brought this up, every year it is been next year. What Neill Sams is saying that he met with Parks and was told next year we will fund that soccer field and move forward move forward with this. I asked the Council to fund the design for that last year and my colleagues said next year. Now the six-year CIP plan has this in for seven (7) years from now and so I really want to find a way. We had two million dive hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) of new spending in Parks CIP this year, but there was not any other money for this project and other projects have leaped ahead of it. It does not have to be one or the other. When we make a commitment, we should follow through with it. We put the bike path into Kapa'a and the other thing that I wanted to point out about that thing is that it contemplated and the renewal was the buzz word in the 1970s. But the idea was that government would work to do a master plan for the business district, to deal with the parking issues, the traffic, and downtown revitalization or reinvestment and that did not happen either for Kapa'a and that is something that we still can do. I am begging the Mayor and my colleagues to get this project back on-track. We have already spent money on it. We need to move forward because then we can turn that town park into what it was intended to be, a passive park

with picnicking and with a view of the ocean. Right now we have an eighteen (18) foot fence. If you heard that plan, it goes onto just the streets in between to keep the view planes of the ocean, to make it clear that Kapa'a is a beach town. You can drive right through and not know that. It has talked about problems in the park which we have addressed by retreating and not building a seawall. It talks about building a T-groin to deal with the erosion which we just got a study, Kapa'a Ocean Study, making that recommendation again forty (40) years later. We have already experienced the erosion. We lost pavilions and trees and we made the decision as a County to retreat because we owned the land and let nature take its course. I know I am just making a speech and not asking a question. Can this get into the May submittal? Will you take a serious look at this?

Mr. Rapozo: We can. I guess where are we going to get the money from?

Mr. Bynum: It does not have to be one or the other. You have two million four hundred thousand dollars (\$2,400,000) of new spending in Parks besides millions that we are taking out of Parks CIP. I think this is an important priority for the economic development of Kapa'a, for the usability of that park, for our soccer players who have inadequate fields in the East Side. This is even after adding three (3) fields at Lydgate, it is still insufficient to meet the needs of our playing population. But it is thwarting economic revitalization of Kapa'a for forty (40) years and last year the Business Association was given assurances by the Council and the Administration that it would be a project this year and it has not happened.

Chair Furfaro: I do not know if the Council gave those assurances. We said we would have them on the agenda.

Mr. Bynum: Well, let me clarify that. I made a motion to add one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to the CIP to begin design and the Council said not this year, but looked at those representatives from Kapa'a and said next year this will be a priority. So, that is where this comes from.

Mr. Suga: Chair, if I could. I just spoke briefly with the Administration. Certainly, we will look at this and try to put something together for the May submittal.

Mr. Bynum: I think the people will come for the hearing later to say this in person. It would be nice if we could tell them we are going to fulfill that commitment and get back on track. It has potential huge benefit for the economy of our island, for the business people there, for the kids, and for the people who live in Kapa'a that would be great to have that park. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: I am going to give you my correspondence that I got from Neill. We did promise that we would have discussion this year about it. It will be a future item. But I mean he references this 1970 Kapa'a – when did you graduate from school?

Mr. Bynum: 1971.

Chair Furfaro: 1971 plan and he makes reference here. We will see once we get through the budget session about having an agenda item here in Parks and Recreation.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Hooser, did you want to add to that?

Mr. Hooser: Again, just to clarify the process. I have not been here a number of years. But it is my understanding that the majority wanted to put an item, let us say for this particular item for example, we could by majority vote put this into the CIP budget?

Chair Furfaro: I am not sure we can. I am not sure we can. I am having that researched and will have that clarified by Friday.

Mr. Hooser: I am perfectly clear we cannot force the Administration to spend that money. But it is my understanding that we can put things in but I appreciate the clarity on that.

Chair Furfaro: I agree with that approach. But we cannot force them to spend it on that project.

Mr. Hooser: I understand that the Parks might – if the decision was to add this, they may have to look at their priorities within the Park's CIP budget also and decide to not fund some other projects in order to fund this. But also the Administration has the power to look between Departments and to shift CIP funds around. It is not just a question of Park's priorities, it is a question of County priorities. When will we have – like that opinion on how much authority we have with the CIP budget? When do we expect to have that answer?

Chair Furfaro: I am trying to get it from our legal people, something by Friday. They will give me an overview and we will send it off to the County Attorney. But the preliminary one, I will see if we cannot get an interpretation by Friday.

Mr. Hooser: Great. Thank you very much.

Chair Furfaro: You are quite welcome. All good points. Go ahead.

Ms. Nakamura: I think I recall the conversation around this table with the Council at the time. I think the thinking is that once we can open up that soccer field to regulation fields, that the high school could then practice there, have their games there, and it would be a little safer environment than what is at the current stadium, the way it is configured which has caused some accidents. What is does then is it opens up the

Kapa'a Beach Park for just more open park use with barbeques, picnic tables, and shade trees so that all of the vendors surrounding there could attract people who want to pick up food, sit down in the park, hang out, and have a family picnics and that kind thing. Make it a more well used park. That was the concept and I think it has a lot of merit. I think if we are able to add something to this budget, then if we have that authority which you will check into, then I think we would have to look at where you would want to cut so that it ends up being a balanced CIP budget.

Chair Furfaro:

Mr. Bynum, go ahead.

Mr. Bynum: Let me add to that, this got a lot of energy when we added the Parks Department because it had a Planning Division and the State library is there and then County owned property to the canal. So, the people were like all the way from the canal with is a dirt parking area now, that we can take down all of these fences and the State would want to cooperate with us to make it a campus in essence. If can be used to help address parking issues. As this development plan says, in forty (40) years ago, we need to assist Kapa'a community with adequate parking for the business district. It is great because often park usage is a different time than commercial usage. It just has so many potential benefits. I would see in our Parks Plan to do a community process to revitalize Kapa'a. If we combine that with the idea of urban renewal which is an old term which is now downtown redevelopment, you really can meet some critical mass. This is something that got removed from CIP several years ago and I am just trying to be patient and put it back on the agenda.

Chair Furfaro:

Let me summarize our day for today, if I can. First of all on this one, I think it is appropriate. I think what we told the people in Kapa'a business community is that we would certainly put an agenda item on to talk in Parks and Recreation about this. The right approach from Neil is to approach you folks because you build the CIP and you set some priorities as well. But on the flipside, we could put the money there. But I am not absolutely sure that once we put it there we can mandate the priority and that you do it. We will get clarity by Friday. Now, to recap today, we have come to the end of the day. I want to remind everyone that Public Works and Roads maintenance is unable to come on Thursday. We are going to move them to April 23rd. Could you make that note? Also, for April 18th, this Thursday, at 1:00 p.m. we are doing the Planning CIP, followed with the continuation of Wailua Golf Course. That is this Thursday specifically the Parks and Recreation items that deals with CIP improvements so that we can secure some concessionaire type, so that will be Thursday. Thursday we will start at 1:00 p.m. The morning is not committed yet. We are starting at 1:00 p.m. for CIP for Planning call-back and then Wailua Golf Course. Tomorrow, we start Council Committee meetings at 8:30 a.m., reminder to everybody, 8:30 a.m. On that note, thank you very much. Lenny, thank you very much, Mr. Mayor. Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum:

I just thought we would talk about Park acquisition funds that are being removed. Will that be a time to do that in the future?

Chair Furfaro:

I am sure we can find a time to actually move that into a quick discussion if you want.

Mr. Bynum: It is kind of a general CIP question.

Chair Furfaro: We will find a place for that discussion.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: I will give you a red flag where we can have that discussion, a green flag. But I will find you what we have for the rest of our schedule, Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: Well, my concern is we went through a list of what is in there and we did not talk about everything that is being removed.

Chair Furfaro: No. But I want to say for all intents and purposes, we did not need to raise the red flag in Lenny's piece because we still have several other Departments going through CIP.

Mr. Bynum: Right.

Chair Furfaro: I will give you a place to put that flag. Lenny, thank you very much. We are in recess until 1:00 p.m. on Thursday.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you, Chair.

Chair Furfaro: See you folks tomorrow.

There being no objections, the Committee recessed at 4:46 p.m.