

The departmental budget decision making reconvened on May 11, 2012 at 9:13 a.m., and proceeded as follows:

Chair Furfaro: Aloha and good morning. I am going to call back into order from the recess that we had on the Kaua'i County Council's Decision Making process for the Operating Budget. As I shared in my earlier presentation where we are at in this present time. And we need to move a little more expeditiously. I will enforce the speaking terms allowed in our rules going forward today because these are critical timing items. We have finished a Decision Making on the Human Resource Department and the Mayor's Office. We are going to start with an overall look at the payroll as it relates to new positions, dollar funded positions, and overtime decisions that we made. We should have a new worksheet for you after the discussion I had yesterday which was my fault. We have a summary revision which shows positions that should have not appeared in my list, taken out in red. That would include the Transportation Agencies Utility Worker and you should see the part-time positions in blue for the Fire Department and the Lifeguards. Everything else in black is the same as it was originally. On this particular note, I would ask Mr. Barreira to come up and we are going to talk first about the new positions in the new Budget as proposed by the Mayor.

ERNEST BARREIRA, Budget and Purchasing Director: Good morning Chair and members of the Council. I am Ernie Barreira, the Budget the Purchasing Director. If I could get a copy of what the Councilmembers are looking at.

Chair Furfaro: Yes, and actually I just had that discussion with Scott because we are actually going to put it up on the screen. We have to take it out and give you a copy of that piece as well. What I have here is a summary on the pre-decisional piece that we had talked about and recognized all the new positions in the Budget and adjusted for what I just talked on the Fire Department, Life-Saving Part-Timers, and then the removal on the utility work on the Transportation Department. And to the best of my knowledge now, you and I are on the same sheet. You represented the Administration and these are my notes from the Budget and I would like to focus only on this portion first. Members we are open to questions accordingly. On any of these new positions, this is what we are focusing on. Councilmember Nakamura?

Ms. Nakamura: Good morning Ernie. I have a question, on the Planning Department there is a six position Transportation (inaudible), I know we partially funded this position in last year's Budget. I am just wondering if it is showing up as a new position because it has not been filled yet.

Mr. Barreira: I am not certain. I would have to double check with Director Dahilig. I believed the position has been filled but there was a question in terms of the partial funding so we thought to be safe we should reflect it as a fully funded position in Fiscal Year 2013. I believe that was the Council's intent so we placed it back on the Budget pursuant to your action last year.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Kualii, then Mr. Rapozo, then Vice-Chair Yukimura. Mr. Kualii you have the floor.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Good morning Ernie. Aloha and mahalo. The two positions for the Department of Parks and Recreation that is Park Caretaker, Po'ipū and then the other one, Lydgate. So these are temporary, on-call? What are these positions? It only says 19 hours per week. And it is not starting until January 2013. There are not seeing the need until January 2013? What is changing?

Mr. Barreira: I think in the analysis when we went into Budget Hearings with all of the Departments, obviously if everything could come on at July 1, that would be ideal from the departmental perspective but we understand as Councilmembers pointed out, that there are funding issues and requirements. We are trying to economize to the greatest extent that we can to strike a balance between acquiring the need of services without having to spend moneys and perhaps could be deferred to a later time in the Fiscal Year. Those two positions were intended to achieve as the Mayor has discussed in his message, a super park status. And I know we have had some discussions about the honorable members of the Council about what defines a super park. We define a super park as a park that will essentially, people will be willing and able and interested in going to these facilities and be able to use them comfortably without fear of dirty bathrooms or un-kept playgrounds or rubbish in various areas. What these two positions are intending to do is we feel we get a large bang for our buck with these positions because there is no fringe associated with this. They will simply be assigned to tend to cleaning of the grounds and restroom facilities and associated areas on a limited basis as defined by those 19 hours.

Mr. Kualii: It does not seem like that strong of a commitment to super parks. We only have a part-time, un-benefitted, 19 hour position. A half and half. Do we have any Care Takers that do more than one park?

Mr. Barreira: I believe so. I am not sure of the exact delegation of duties but please keep in mind Sir that these are in addition to the full-timers that are already assigned to clean those areas. So this is to augment those services for additional help and assistance.

Mr. Kualii: That is correct. But if we felt that maintenance was not adequate and needed to be stepped up, then to make a commitment to me would be mean than this. Thank you.

Mr. Barreira: Understood. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Mr. Rapozo, then Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Mr. Rapozo: I had the same concern as far as the same Park Caretaker positions and I have spoken to many Park Caretakers that are currently employed. In fact, one came here on vacation time or leave to testify that they need more man power. The Parks Director was here when we had the discussion on increasing Lydgate Park to include camping and I asked the question. I did not feel nor did not support it because I did not believe we had an adequate maintenance for that park. He disagreed. He said he felt that they did have adequate coverage. I do not believe we have adequate coverage and the real side of this as I speak to many County employees, there is a morale issue now because of if you look at the Budget that has come across to this Council, there is quite a bit of substantial positions that are paid quite high. That is not in dispute, we have new departments and there is quite a few positions that are highly paid and yet the Parks people who work the line, out of this entire Budget they are getting two part time or less than half time without benefits and it causes I think a morale problem. I do not think we have adequate maintenance coverage at the parks. If you ask majority of park users that depending on the time of day, we might have a clean bathroom but for the most part, long weekends and afternoons on the regular weekends, there is a definite concern. I had hoped to see more of those line personnel positions in the Budget. I do not know what will happen if we were to increase. It is still up to the privy of the Mayor if he still wants to hire. And I hate to fund positions that are not going to be hired and filled but I understand we get our bang for our buck because we do not pay fringes. Part of the problem that we have here today in Parks is that we do not have—because Park Caretakers, because they are so few, and I know there is a discrepancy of how many people are at Lydgate. If you drive down to Lydgate at any time of the day, and you stop by, there are two people working.

That is what covers Lydgate. Lydgate is a huge park. I do not think it is adequate but if we want to build our parks to a super park status, world-class park status, it starts with maintenance. It also starts with giving these guys the ownership of that park. It is hard. How do you take ownership to a 19 hour employee who does not even have benefits? I think that is a philosophical issue for me but I am just wondering if in fact this Council would support bumping these positions up to full-time. I still think we are short even if we make these two full-timers, I still do not think we are up to par but at least it is a start. At least it is a message to the employees at Parks that the Council is concerned. And I am going to be proposing that but I do not know if I have the assurance from the Administration that he is going to fill it. We fill a full-time position but the Mayor can still put it out as a part-time position and I do not want to throw money away and have it hang up in the surplus because we are not going to hire. My intention is to bump that up to full-time. At least we will get two more and hopefully that will ease the tension at Lydgate and Po'ipū. I know you cannot speak for the Mayor. Mr. Kualii got the response as far as rationale, but I just feel that we need to bump that up a bit.

Mr. Barreira: And you are right, Councilmember Rapozo, I cannot speak for the Mayor but of course I will convey whatever the consensus is at the Council along with the concerns that have been expressed.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you for conveying that but we are going to vote on this today and I hope the message is then conveyed wherever we stand. Vice-Chair Yukimura, it is your turn.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you. It is possible that the Parks Department is trying to address a problem that I think we all want to address with this schedule of Care Taking, and overtime will come in and ask for a full-time position. I am thinking of the bus system where we had a lot of on-call people and then as we expanded the bus system, we turned them into full-time positions. I can see the rationale of trying this and unless we substitute our judgments for what we think would be adequate. There are a lot of factors that go into how to get a clean park. Part of it is supervision and management of employees and part of it is how you structure the hours. I am hoping that there is some rational plan for why we need this part-time and that perhaps it is part of a long-range plan to go full-time over the next couple years. I do not know if you can speak for the Parks Director either but if it is part of a long-range plan then it makes sense to me. If there is going to be a look and see as we bring these people on board on a part-time basis and see what we are achieving and maybe what we are not achieving and move to the next level.

Mr. Barreira: Vice-Chair, if you look at the Budget support package that was sent in by Parks and he did discuss his rationale in terms of the vision for the parks and one of the things that I am very pleased to hear is that there is unified thought on the Administration and the Council in terms of this concept of these super parks, adequate facilities, to make sure they are cleaned properly and that there is oversight and accountability in terms of what goes on. I cannot speak specifically to Director Rapozo's intent, I am very confident that we are constantly in a process of evaluating and reevaluating whatever resources that we have out there and that we will propose adjustments in order to achieve our objectives.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Barreira, I think it is only fair to share with you my concern. It has been a standing request especially from myself since the first year I was on this Council. Beth said, "I would want to know, for quality control our status of A) level parks, B) level parks, and C) level parks." This is not a discussion I went through. One of those the A) parks being regional parks, B) parks being neighborhood parks, C) being asset parks. Also if you would give me a second to turn off our mics while we have other discussions, I would also like to know the long-term

maintenance projections for the bike path, which the Council is very committed to in expanding and especially since for lack of any other terms to say K-9, I would say we have agreed on mixed use. We have not seen that part. There are two sides to the sword here. There is the one side which we seem to be assuming by starting the work force on the quality of the parks by adding part-timers, then there are the same concerns that I am hearing about why could some of these not be more full-time. We have not established what the standard is yet. That is the piece we are lacking. What do we expect of a neighborhood regional park that has soccer fields, ball parks, football practice, you know what do we have in a neighborhood park that has a few tennis courts and pavilion, and picnic areas and what do we have in the passive parks? We have not seen definitions on those, let alone the minimum requirement for maintenance on the bike path. I just want to share that with you that this has been an on-going discussion and I wanted to add it as information for me. Until I see a more standardized packaging of our park levels, it is hard to just throw money and people at it. We need to be able to measure the outcome. I will come back to Mr. Bynum. He was going to have the floor next.

Mr. Barreira: Chair if I may, did this come up as a question in this session.

Chair Furfaro: It goes back to the first year I was on the Council. There are narratives from myself about standards and there are photographs from Mr. Rapozo. There are circulated definitions from different organizations like the American Hotel and Resort Association about public areas that should be included. There has been written dialogue about the appropriate grass, the fertilizing schedule, and the watering schedule. There is a lot of it, and in fairness to Mr. Lenny Rapozo, some of this is prior to his time. I just wanted to summarize what our goals are. We would want to see that standards in a written form that would help us understand the overall quality control and maintenance requirements. We are still looking for that. Mr. Bynum, you have the floor.

Mr. Bynum: I apologize for (inaudible) but, and I may complicate some of this, but for the bus, and for lifeguards, they have 19 hour positions on call. There could be a strong rationale for that for Parks. I do not see it. I also looked at this and it is like, I cannot stand it, 19 hours, where we do not have to pay them. We are going to do two half-time people. I would prefer one full-time person that has benefits and could be part of a team. I would love to see both of these positions filled and I think it is not a unreasonable request here today from the Administration if we were to fully fund these two Park Caretaker positions. Will they hire and use them? I am making that request where you give us an answer today. If the answer is no, then I would move into one. To take a position like that, which is like an entry-level position, and offer it as part-time to avoid paying benefits. I have a philosophical problem with that. Again, if there is a rationale where we need these bus guys only a few hours a day, and if it is a way to bring them into full-time, I do not think that rationale applies to Park Caretakers.

Mr. Barreira: Thank you Councilmember Bynum. It was part of the package that was submitted by the Parks Department in terms of what they felt was a relative need with the 19 hours. The fringe benefits did not drive the decision, it was what the need was at the time. In terms of filling the position, I can answer confidently that that is a very big issue for Mayor Carvalho. Clean parks and proper facilities. I can speak confidently to that point here today.

Mr. Bynum: Is it possible to get that answer?

Mr. Barreira: I will seek that out, Sir.

Mr. Bynum: If we fund two regular Park Caretakers, would they hire?

Mr. Barreira: I will get you an answer today, Sir.

Chair Furfaro: I would do this urgently Ernie because I do not plan to have every time we have a question, to have a department in back. This session is decision making time. We have had ten years to ask the questions about passive parks, neighborhood parks, regional parks, the bike path, and quality standards. We are in decision making mode here so I would say to you, that is an urgent request that we are going to come back to this piece when we take our first break. You will have ten minutes to get us an answer. Then we are going to move on. I am going to rest this until that time. If you folks did not hear me, I am going to rest this until that time.

Mr. Barreira: The question has been sent, Sir.

Chair Furfaro: Councilmember Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimiura: I just want to add in here, while getting the answer from the Mayor is good, but putting one position, putting the two positions into one to take care of Po'ipū and Lydgate, there is issues of travel and transportation that do not make a lot of sense to me. If we are dividing up a Caretaker for Po'ipū and Lydgate...it does not make sense. So I would not agree to that.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: Do you want to move to a different issue?

Chair Furfaro: No, you did not hear me. We are going to cover our new positions first. Then we are going to cover our dollar funded positions second. And we are going to cover the overtime scenario. So what I am saying is, we can start into those other two areas, then on the break, have him get some answers for you and do this.

Mr. Bynum: So we are not going to positions?

Chair Furfaro: I am suggesting that we do that now.

Mr. Bynum: I have a question about a different position.

Chair Furfaro: Go ahead.

Mr. Bynum: In the KPAL Clerical Assistant, is that a position at the Police Department?

Mr. Barreira: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: I am a little confused here. Is that a full-time position and it is funded to start January?

Mr. Barreira: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: And maybe M forgot this, but KPAL mostly is not being rent from the Police Department. There are a non-profit and they have separate staff. I actually talked to the Chief about this. While I am very supportive of KPAL, and they probably need these positions but I am confused as to why they are in the Police Department when the Administration of KPAL is not physically in the Police Department.

Mr. Rapozo: Mr. Chair, do you want me to respond to that?

Chair Furfaro: Yes, you can contribute to Mr. Bynum's question, go ahead.

Mr. Rapozo: KPAL has a Board of Directors. They are a non-profit. Basically what they do is they work the funding mechanisms and they apply for the grants. But the operation of KPAL for, I believe the last decade now, has been under the control of now Sergeant Mark Ozaki. He has been running the scheduling and he has been running the recruitment. He has been running all of the facets of KPAL. The Board does not get involved with the operation other than like any typical Board of Directors would be to seek funding. So this is really to help Mark. The original request from the Chief was for two KPAL Officers because it is incredible what they do. This would help with the scheduling which is, I do not know how he does it, if you seen Mark lately, you seen how much he has aged. He has taken KPAL from absolutely nothing to a very, very, very productive and positive program. So I had hoped to see, but unfortunately financial times prohibit us from expanding KPAL Officers but this would help Mark tremendously.

Mr. Bynum: It has my support. I have just changed the question to why wait until January. But I just wanted to understand that part.

Ms. Nakamura: That is a good question.

Mr. Barreira: It is pretty much for all of the January positions. It is going to be my same answer. It was just a strategy to defer expenses and minimize cost for the fiscal year. If we facilitate for all of the new positions to begin July 1, the cost would have been double for the new positions that we have allocated with (inaudible). So it is strictly an accounting effort to minimize the expenses. Chair, if I may, I have a response from the Administration in terms of the Custodian positions at Lydgate.

Chair Furfaro: I think that is very good when I saw Mr. Rezentes leave when he heard me talk about the urgency so I assumed he got you some answers.

Mr. Barreira: Well the wonders of technology and forgive the rudeness if I am slipping in a note here and there but Wally and Director Heu has committed that they will hire those positions if allocated at such.

Chair Furfaro: Did you have the floor still or does Mr. Rapozo?

Mr. Bynum: I think other people have questions.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Rapozo?

Mr. Rapozo: No, I just responded to Mr. Bynum.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, Vice-Chair Yukimura?

Ms. Yukimura: I have concerns about Life's Choices Kaua'i Division Outreach Coordinator. We discussed that yesterday in some respect. It comes from my lack of clarity of what role that office or mission is. If it is mainly to coordinate, receive, and distribute grant moneys which they have been performing quite extensively and very well. Then an Outreach Coordinator may not be what they need. They may need a grant writer. Or someone who has expertise is monitoring grants. So I am inclined to vote it out until we get some clarity of their

mission and role. If the County gets into delivering services and providing services, it means an expansive future. And it also means competition with non-profits out there. It seems like a clearer and more productive role might be as a conduit for grants or monitor for grants, and giving the outreach work to some of the non-profits...unless you know the answer clearly for me?

Mr. Barreira: Vice-Chair, the Councilmembers received the very well written and comprehensive write-up from Theresa Koki. I think that would speak to all of those issues in terms of what the goals and objectives are for that position. I think grant writing would be embedded within that requirement as most of the cases for our exempt positions that rely heavily upon grant funds for sustenance. But I think I would like to defer it to the expertise of Ms. Koki in her write up in terms of what the plans and intentions are.

Ms. Yukimura: Well, then we have some questions about the qualifications of people that are hired in that office in terms of whether they actually have grant writing skills. That is the question.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. I have a question for the Administration. And it is regarding our additions. I just want to make sure that I heard no challenges to the two positions for the County Clerk's Office. One, we are at the same level of Records Management as we have been for almost twelve years. We are adding a Records Management person to our needs as well as the six legislative analysts. Was there any feedback from these additions from Administration to us?

Mr. Barreira: Our position has been Chair, as we are seeking additional support to improve our operations. We believe the Council is trying to achieve the same ends so we have not taken a position.

Chair Furfaro: It just would not be fair of me to ask that question.  
Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Rapozo: Mr. Chair, I wanted to go back to the Life's Choices.

Chair Furfaro: You are more than welcomed to go back. I did not hear any questions. I just wanted to get to our piece.

Mr. Rapozo: And it is really a follow-up, and we had some discussion of it yesterday regarding the Facilities Coordinator position and the fact that we were informed back in March with the March 15 submittal that Theresa was going to be continuing to be involved with the grants and that she was going to be coordinating the grant workers, employees, that are grant funded in that office. I believe there is probably, I believe, three or four right now that are in that office and I do not think there is a shortage of grants for the anti-drug effort. I am still not very happy with the efforts we have made in anti-drugs as it relates to hard drugs like methamphetamine, oxycoton, cocaine, and marijuana. We have expended a lot of resources on under-aged drinking. That is a noble effort as well and I think it is one that should be continued. But I have not seen the efforts in the other drugs and we have seen obviously a very high incident rate of oxycoton, especially in our kids in school. I still question the Facilitator Coordinator because I do not think we are ready for that. We have not even started the process. We do not even know if that facility is going to be a reality. I am going to be submitting an amended to remove the Outreach Coordinator and to restore the facility. I think you may have even changed the title, so that is fine. That can stay, the Life's Choices Coordinator. I think that is appropriate and I support that. But I believe at this point as we try to take the most advantage of grants as possible that I believe we should restore that position back to where it was and rely on the grant funded positions. It is a shame that this Administration has removed in the last few years, several grant writing positions

from Civil Defense and I believe from the Administration as well and I think we need to rely more on grants at this time so I am going to be submitting that amended, Mr. Chair. Be prepared as we speak to remove this position and again phase one of my choice was already done by Mr. Bynum yesterday by changing that position title. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: My intent for all the members is to have a little bit more discussion here but then I am going to go by departments to see if we could get the approvals so I am hearing when we get to the Choice Office, we will have an amendment. Mr. Bynum, do you mind if I recognize Councilmember Nakamura first? Mr. Kualii, and then you, Mr. Bynum. Go right ahead Councilwoman.

Ms. Nakamura: I would like to discuss the Office of Economic Development Specialist, SR-24, \$55,500.00 position. The question that I have is in the discussion that we had during our budget deliberation, questioning with the department, this position was presented as a technician position. In the response and in the job description we received as a follow up to those discussions, the job description we received talks about a technician position, which is an SR-22 position. This is something that came in writing from the department that describes that this and I think the discussion was that this position is an assistant to the existing six specialists in that department, that those six specialists needed back up and we all know that George has a lot on his plate and he needs those additional assistants. Now, in the Mayor's budget message he also talks about the need for a technician, an SR-24 level and again he talks about the critical need for technicians knowing that it could provide support for job creation. (inaudible) We received this budget message on May 8, but in the budget itself, it is an SR-24 position, \$55,500.00. The technician's assistant would have been, I think a lower rate, but now as a specialist position. I wanted to ask the Administration for clarification and what happened when they (inaudible) that changed the department's response, the Mayor's budget message, and what is before us.

Chair Furfaro: It looks like Wally is going out to expedite a response to that.

Mr. Barreira: Yes Sir, because looking at my budget worksheets on the new positions, I have it listed as an Economic Development Technician but at \$55,500.00 and the budget itself, as you pointed out, notes a specialist, so I believe Mr. Rezentes is going to make contact with Mr. Costa.

Chair Furfaro: Well, we are going to expect some clarification quickly.

Mr. Barreira: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: This is a new position?

Mr. Barreira: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: Has a specific individual been identified?

Mr. Barreira: If it is a new position, then no. There would be recruitment involved I would imagine. We have dollar-funded positions that are occupied. I am not certain or sure. For the dollar-funded positions, we would be able to find salary resources to hire. It is listed as an SR position so that would require a more stringent recruitment methodologies to bring someone on board, but I would once again seek clarification with O.E.D. in terms of classification of that position.



Mr. Bynum: Thank you.

Mr. Barreira: You are welcome.

Chair Furfaro: In the Office of Economic Development, those positions are all exempt so I would think that answers the Civil Service question.

Mr. Barreira: And the SR rating is based on the developing...

Chair Furfaro: JoAnn, I will give you the floor.

Ms. Yukimura: Sorry Chair, I was just commenting that I thought there was a thing called Civil Service exempt?

Chair Furfaro: I think if you heard what I said, I said it was exempt. I cannot listen to two people at the same time and my statement, to make it exempt, was for the benefit of all members. And now I am going to say it again. The entire department is exempt.

Mr. Barreira: Would you like me to answer the Civil Service inquiry to clarify, Chair?

Chair Furfaro: Yes, you have the floor.

Mr. Barreira: Thank you, Sir. Vice-Chair, a Civil Service exempt, I think what Mr. Rapozo and I spoke yesterday, there is an excluded exempt and regular civil service which are collective bargaining employees. I am not familiar with Civil Service exempt. All exempt positions are at will positions with the County and the State. We have excluded managers that are excluded from our collective bargaining unit but have Civil Service protection.

Ms. Yukimura: So, if this is an SR and it is also in an office where all positions are exempt, then are you saying it does not have a Civil Service status?

Mr. Barreira: My suspicion is that there are using the SR scale just to define the salary level and it is probably going to be an exempt position within O.E.D. But I will seek final clarification from Mr. Costa.

Chair Furfaro: Vice-Chair, I am not going to give the floor. I have a question. I will give you the floor in a moment. Is Mr. Rezentes getting clarification on what I just said?

Mr. Barreira: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: We will come back to that piece. Now we will go to a new question. You have the floor Councilwoman.

Ms. Yukimura: Just a thought that...I am so aware that that office is handling such a huge volume of work and it is a small office so in my generalized thought, it really needs an additional position. If Mr. Costa is the one that is determining that that is what he needs, I would defer in general to that.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Mr. Costa had that opportunity when he came up to explain his department but I think the message you and the Administration needs to here, under these economic conditions, globally, we think there needs to be more emphasis on that

department. Maybe even a Deputy for that department based on the fact that we are starting to depend on grant applications, we are trying to diversify the economy and so forth. This department maybe has bigger needs than it has had in the past and I think that is the message. Did you want the floor Ms. Nakamura?

Mr. Rapozo: I do not have a question, I have a comment. It is a brief comment. In the last year, I have experienced quite a bit of public inquiry as far as Sunshine Markets and so forth and George has been exceptional in trying to respond. George is only one person and that office does have some personnel short comings. I do not know how else to say it. But they are very short handed. Understaffed is probably a better word. I am curious as to the exempt status because on our sheet here, the exempts are made known exempt. That one is just SR-24 so I would assume it is a Civil Service position. Whether it is exempt or not, I think exempt exempts the position from Civil Service hiring. They can basically appoint. I guess that is what I understand. Vice-Chair Yukimura, I think you probably know that better than me but I believe the exempt means they can appoint and Civil Service means you have to go through the Civil Service process. But I am interested in the question that Councilmember Nakamura had about the technician versus the specialist and I am assuming he is getting that now. Again, I think they definitely need that assistance there in the office. They do a good job with what they have and as we start to look at the expansion of Sunshine Markets and the programs associated with that, I would like to be able to give our constituents a better, quicker timelier response than what we have been and it is simply because they do not have the personnel. I do not have a problem with the position, I am interested in why the difference of specialist and technician. So I will await that response.

Chair Furfaro: While we are waiting for that answer, I see here some of the positions that we can actually take a vote on right now and then it sounds like we are going to have some with amendments coming back. Let me just try and clean up the list real quick here and then we will entertain amendments that need to be posted knowing that we already have to post the changes on the transportation position that came out and the fire water safety people that went in. The first area is the Office of the County Clerk's with an addition of a Record's Management person and one Legislative Analyst.

Mr. Bynum: I am a little confused with the process.

Chair Furfaro: Well, let me say the process again. Since this list is rather large, I want to clean up and get the staff prepared to know that they are not going to be amendments to certain positions. Just raise your hand right now if you are posing to do an amendment to this position. Yes, go ahead Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I did not know when there was a right time for our office.

Chair Furfaro: For our office, this is the right time.

Mr. Bynum: I really wanted to talk to my colleagues about a Financial Analyst type position for Council Services. We had a lot of dialogue and discussion this year about our dependence on the Administration to get financial information, whether it is taxes or budget or whatever.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. That is all I need for right now. We will come back to it. That is all I need for right now we will come back to it. You are going to have an amendment to talk about it. That is all I need for right now. I am trying to clean up the lists. You have a question for your colleague, then that is fine. The next one is the Planning Department.

Mr. Kualii: Chair?

Chair Furfaro: Yes?

Mr. Kualii: I am also going to have an amendment for consideration for our office, the Office of the County Clerk. That is regarding the Legislative Assistant.

Chair Furfaro: We will keep the discussion there and we will keep this open for right now. For the Department of Planning, we have got some clarification earlier for Councilmember Nakamura. Is there anybody planning any changes there? No? Okay. I am just going to put a line through that item. Now, the Department of Public Works for an Engineering Aid, a Public Wastewater Division Operator Assistant, and a Department of Public Works for a Solid Waste Division Refuse Collector. Any more questions in that area? Yes, Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Rapozo: I just have a question as far as the Engineering Aid 1, that salary is quite small. \$12,324.00 and I realize it starts January. What is the SR on that?

Chair Furfaro: Okay, so we will not take that off the list.

Mr. Rapozo: I am not going to amend it. We can leave it on. I just want to make sure that is not a typo. That is all I am trying to say. I did not realize we had such small wages. Is that six months funding?

Mr. Barreira: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Starting January 1. Any other questions for Public Works? Hearing none, I will put that on there. Fire Department, for the three on-call lifeguards?

Mr. Kualii: Chair, I am sorry. Before we jump to Fire, back in Public Works, Solid Waste, why is that position a dollar funded position?

Chair Furfaro: That is a good question. Let us check with our own staff. Why did that not get on the other list? We are going to come back to that.

Mr. Kualii: So are you saying that all the other dollar funded positions on the other lists are existing and this is the only new dollar funded position proposed?

Chair Furfaro: Let us make sure we understand, staff, that should have been on the dollar funded list as a new position or should have that been on this list as a new dollar funded position? It is a new dollar funded position? Okay, because I do not want to come to it twice. That is what I am saying here.

Mr. Kualii: I may want to have an amendment on that.

Chair Furfaro: That position stays possibly for an amendment. The other three, you are fine with.

Mr. Rapozo: Mr. Chair, it is a blanket amendment that I am considering and this is for the positions that I support.

Chair Furfaro: I am not where I am going.

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Mr. Rapozo: Just hear me out Mr. Chair because I am concerned about the six month lag.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, I am not going where I am going. Let us stay with other questions. I just wanted to get some of this stuff cleaned up because we have been on this for an hour already and we will be here to 6:00 p.m. tonight I am sure.

Mr. Rapozo: I am just concerned, Mr. Chair, about the six month wait for hiring.

Chair Furfaro: Go ahead, you can talk amongst us with Ernie there.

Mr. Rapozo: I would like to hear the other Councilmembers concerns but for me I think, it is a way of producing a low budget but with the full intention of hiring these people sooner, relying on a potential surplus later to fund it. If we need the positions and we saw this in the presentations, they were posting for positions prior to the positions being...

Chair Furfaro: Yes, and none of us agreed to that. That was clearly misdirected.

Mr. Rapozo: What my point is, or what I am trying to pass out to the public, is an accurate fair budget.

Chair Furfaro: I think we are all doing that, but we are only talking about the new proposed positions now.

Mr. Rapozo: But I think there is a fundamental problem with six month funding because really what you are showing on paper is half the actual cost, so that your budget looks a lot smaller. If we are going to wait six months to fund it, then maybe we do not really need it right away.

Chair Furfaro: Well, I am going to give you my answer to that. The paper picked it up yesterday. We are changing H.R. Quite frankly, it takes six months to recruit. How is that? You folks okay with my response?

Mr. Rapozo: But Mr. Chair, in response to that, I did not see H.R.'s positions with a six month lag. I did not see the \$101,000.00 or the \$103,000.00 for H.R. Managers with a six month lag.

Chair Furfaro: No, Mel, what I said yesterday was look, you got three positions in there that are not even filled yet and their answer was, and picked up in the paper as well, that they would at least lag to October because I do not want to fill those positions until they are settled and we have a better understanding of the priorities. So let us not go back to the H.R. piece, let us talk about what your amendment might be.

Mr. Rapozo: My amendment will be that the new position salary, I am not going to support anything beyond a nine month funding cycle. I still think we should fund it for the year from July because I think a lot of those positions could be hired, especially exempt ones. We know they have got people in mind and they are going to put it in the position. Why are we going to tell the public that we are only going to fund six months when we know where that money is going to come from. Again, to me, it is almost deceptive to say six months when we know we are going to put people in there. I would like to do a July amendment. I do not think we will get the support but

I think the three months....I mean the Outreach Coordinator position is September 30. What is the difference?

Ms. Yukimura: There is a grant that expires.

Mr. Rapozo: And what is the point? My point is, if it takes six months to hire a Parks Security Officer and it takes six months to hire an Engineering Aid, if it takes six months to hire an Accountant III, why is it going to take six months to hire an Outreach Coordinator. That is my point. My amendment would be nine month funding versus the six month funding.

Chair Furfaro: I want to make sure you get clarification before I vote on the other one and I would like to have everyone's attention for a second. Just so we are clear, your amendment will pose everywhere that the dates are January, September, etc. Your amendment would propose that nothing starts later than October 1. We are all clear on that? Now on that, I will give Mr. Bynum the floor then Councilwoman Yukimura.

Mr. Bynum: First of all, I would support that amendment with a couple of exceptions. I think the one that starts September, I think there is a grant that terminates in September then we would pick up the funding so, that would remain September but these other positions for Park Security Officers, I would support that they start in three months.

Chair Furfaro: You still have the floor but your mic is off.

Ms. Yukimura: Are you done?

Mr. Bynum: I am done. I would support that amendment.

Chair Furfaro: Council Vice-Chair.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes, thank you. I would support the amendment too. I think what we are aiming for is accurate budgeting.

Chair Furfaro: It is the status of what we are trying to do. Did you think we were aiming for "budget inaccurate?" (laughter)

Ms. Yukimura: Well, I heard Mr. Barreira say that one of the reasons for starting half-year is to lessen the budgetary impact, but to me if the position is really needed, then we should view it as a full years position but acknowledging the reality of recruiting time, the three months makes more sense to me. If we need it, then we need it and we should get it on board as soon as possible. To make it a half year, just to lessen the budget impact in the first year, does not work for me. I think the three months recruiting time assumption or if we know what the expiration of the grant is that we want to continue, then we use that deadline.

Chair Furfaro: Further discussion? Councilwoman Nakamura.

Ms. Nakamura: I just want to say that I was happy to see in the Mayor's, one of the new positions, being the Accountant III position. Seems like there was a need expressed by that Department and I am glad to see it.

Chair Furfaro: Anymore questions about all positions starting that are added no later than October 1 for a vacancy of no more than three months or filled for nine months of the year. Anymore discussion on that? Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: Sounds like there is consensus on that and just for the staff, I also heard consensus on the two Park Caretaker offers that they would start in October and also be full time. Maybe that can be all in one amendment. I think all of us understand that when we are adding positions, it is a long term commitment as compared to adding a project so I think by the end of this process we are going to have added some positions and it is going to impact the budget going forward. And I think we are all sensitive to that.

Chair Furfaro: So, I would like to say, I think we are going to take a little bit of a break here so we can visit, but before break I just want to make one comment to what this adjustment would mean. Is there any further dialogue while I am doing this?

Mr. Chang: Dialogue regarding?

Chair Furfaro: About anything on the table right now about having all positions start no later than October 1.

Ms. Yukimura: I have some questions on the rationale of the lifeguard. Is that possible to talk about that now? Or do you want to wait?

Chair Furfaro: This is a pretty major piece but I think the rationale on the lifeguards is in fact, it is I presume some of the coverage is on the big beaches with weekend coverage. Is that the right assumption?

Mr. Barreira: Depending on the question of Vice-Chair, are you asking why they are back in and they were not in the budget?

Ms. Yukimura: Right.

Mr. Barreira: Okay. I can answer that. Actually, I can and I cannot answer that.

Chair Furfaro: And back in the budget, as part timers.

Mr. Barreira: Yes. These positions, Vice-Chair, were in the Operating Budget for 2012. When we decided to add three positions, similar positions for Fiscal Year 2013, somehow these 2012 positions that already existed were redacted from the budget unintentionally. So we had sought the Chair's assistance in having these re-identified because they are vital to public safety needs for our community.

Ms. Yukimura: And you are talking about the ones in blue?

Mr. Barreira: Yes ma'am.

Ms. Yukimura: Those are actually existing positions?

Mr. Barreira: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay. And the three in black are the new requests for this budget?

Mr. Barreira: That is correct.

Ms. Yukimura: And refresh my memory for the new ones.

Mr. Barreira: Based on the Chief's justification, there are quite a bit of lifeguard related needs around our island for beaches that are usually unattended in terms of services. This year the Chief entered into a initiative to occasionally cover some of these beaches and the outpouring of support from the public has been significant and appreciative to have these resources in place. So, the Chief believed that by expanding with these additional positions, he could have more flexibility in putting lifeguards in needed areas where they do not exist today.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: We are going to go on a break but before we go on a break, I want to take Mr. Rapozo's offer to make an amendment that no added positions will start any later than October 1. If I can get a motion, that way I can at least have the staff on the break to start working on the worksheets. It would also be of good practice to let you know that moving all those dates to October 1 has \$97,686.00 that was going to impact the payroll line. I wanted to give you a pretty round number so you know what you are voting on and Mr. Rapozo, you have the floor to make that amendment, and then we are going to go on break after the vote.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you, Chair. I have asked our staff to start preparing. I know that we will have some other amendments. Some positions might be added, some might be removed.

Chair Furfaro: Yes, that is later. This is only an amendment that talks about everything starting October 1.

Mr. Rapozo: Did you want me to make that motion or did you want me to wait for the paper?

Chair Furfaro: No, they are going to make the paper and give us an exact number when we take the break.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay.

Chair Furfaro: So, if you could make the motion.

Mr. Bynum: One quick question.

Chair Furfaro: Yes, let us make the motion, have a second, then have discussion.

Mr. Rapozo: My motion will be that all new positions that are approved will have a starting date, a funding date, to start October 1 except for the, should the Outreach Coordinator be, which I am also going to make a motion to remove that, should that be approved, that would remain at the September 30 day.

Chair Furfaro: Now, I need a second. Mr. Bynum, you have the floor, it is open for discussion.

Mr. Bynum: Does that amendment include the Park Care Takers going full time?

Chair Furfaro: No, this is the only item we are talking about now is the no later than October 1. Do you have any discussion? That impact is roughly, round numbers, \$97,686.00.

Ms. Nakamura: Excuse me.

Chair Furfaro: Yes, Councilmember Nakamura, you have the floor.

Ms. Nakamura: I would like to make that exception also for Planner VI because that is already in play, sounds like they already hired or may be close to hiring. So I would like to remove that...so we would like to amend the motion.

Chair Furfaro: Let me clarify, the number I just gave you, anything that did not indicate it was from the beginning of the year, it had a date of October, September, January, whatever. That is what we are amending.

Mr. Rapozo: You want me to restate my motion?

Chair Furfaro: Yes, please.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay. My motion is to change all of that dates that state January 1, 2013 as the funding date to October 1, 2013.

Mr. Rapozo moved to amend all the positions on the "New Positions Proposed by the Mayor" handout with January 1, 2013 start dates, to start funding on October 1, 2013, seconded by Mr. Chang.

The motion to amend January 1, 2013 hiring funding date to October 1, 2012 was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR AMENDMENT: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura	TOTAL – 6,
AGAINST AMENDMENT: Furfaro	TOTAL – 1,
EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING: None.	TOTAL – 0.

Chair Furfaro: We are going to take a ten minute recess now Ernie.

There being no objections, the meeting was recessed at 11:19 a.m.

The meeting was called back to order at 11:36 a.m., and proceeded as follows:

Chair Furfaro: We are back from our recess and I wanted to make note that we will have the worksheet up on the board with more particular details. I wanted to make sure that we also understood when I calculated the \$97,000.00 some dollars, there are also the P.T.N.E. Sellers and Fringes for that extra time that needs to be added as social security benefits, OPED, retirement contributions, and the health fund which we will calculate for another three months, about \$550.00 per employee. The P.T.N.E. will increase about 54.2% for that extra quarter. The \$96,000.00 was the raw payroll. As I said that, that piece will be presented later, that vote was six to one. We are going to go now into other amendments to consider and it looks like we are going to have several since every lined item seem to have some amendment coming up. I was not able to get anything agreed on. So let us go and recognize any other amendments on the total piece and I want to make reference again to all the members that the \$97,000.00 that we talked is pure raw payroll. We will be adding, at least, another 54.2% of that towards the P.T.N.E. Other items to be considered for amendments today on these new positions? Mr. Bynum.



Mr. Bynum: I would like to amend that the two Park Caretakers part time positions be full time positions.

Mr. Kualii: Second.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Any discussion on that? Could you state that motion again.

Mr. Bynum: I would like to amend the two Park Caretaker positions from nineteen hours to full time positions.

Chair Furfaro: Any discussion? Mr. Chang.

Mr. Chang: Thank you, Mr. Bynum for turning those positions that are key into full time positions. I think speaking as we have had for many years with the Park Caretakers, they need help. They work and they have got a lot of pride. We all identify the fact that our parks are very important for the people and the public and our residents and visitors alike. And I believe these positions are sorely needed and I think there is a lot of pride and it will institute a lot of camaraderie because at least the park keepers that have expressed the fact that they need help will understand that we are listening to them and they got some allies right around the corner to go and help them out. I am very pleased to support that because I believe that our open space and our public space and our parks do deserve the attention as far as cleanliness. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: Can we get the exact dollar amounts that are going to be added. Is it up there?

Chair Furfaro: \$33,228.00.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Scott, could you please come up to the microphone. You are required to do this by the Chair. For everybody, Mr. Sato could you introduce yourself.

SCOTT SATO, Legislative Assistant: Scott Sato, Legislative Assistant.

Chair Furfaro: And a wonderful addition to the Council staff. Council Vice-Chair, would you pose your question.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes, so I wanted to know the figure that we will be inserting into the budget and I presume this is a start date for the amendment that just passed. It would be October?

Mr. Sato: For a full year, it would be \$33,228.00. So you would do \$33,228.00 divided by twelve to get your monthly and then times nine for the nine month period. Then you would do the same calculation for the benefits but we will take care of that.

Ms. Yukimura: Right.

Mr. Bynum: Excuse me.

Chair Furfaro: So Scott, based on the calculations I gave earlier, we will be adding about \$17,900.00 to the benefit line. That is just in round numbers?

Mr. Sato: To the salary.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. P.T.N.E. Mr. Chang do you have any questions?

Mr. Chang: Thank you. I am sorry, Mr. Sato. Can you say what the salary is again, please?

Mr. Sato: For a full year, it would be \$33,228.00 which is the salary of a Park Caretaker at a full year, so twelve months. We are doing based on what you guys decided on nine month funding. I do not have the calculator here but we will figure it out.

Chair Furfaro: We will get the exact number \* for Mr. Sato to come up and give us the guidelines. So, further discussion on this piece? And we have a second to that motion. So I am going to call for the question. (Before I vote, I want to make sure we understand, I do not disagree with you about what they deserve, I want to make sure you understand. I am still waiting for the Park's standards which have never come on my narrative. So my vote is no.)

The motion to amend the two Park Caretaker positions to full time status was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR AMENDMENT: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura	TOTAL – 6,
AGAINST AMENDMENT: Furfaro	TOTAL – 1,
EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL – 0.

Mr. Rapozo: Mr. Chair, I have a processed question real quick. I have asked staff to prepare the written amendment and I am not sure if that was required or not because if not, I am not going to ask them to do an amendment because it takes them time to prepare it. If we are just going to do it on the floor, that is fine.

Chair Furfaro: We are going to do it on the floor for now. You are going to get a summary on the screen and you are going to be held to your vote. Mr. Scott Sato will find himself being frequently called to the stand to help on the financial overview and estimates. Are there any more discussions here for the Administration and do we have to have the lights off now for the new items? Thank you. We are still in the section dealing with the new positions. Any additional amendments?

Mr. Rapozo: Mr. Chair, I have an amendment. Are you going in any order or start from the top?

Chair Furfaro: I was trying to start at the top.

Mr. Rapozo: That is what I thought. Then my motion is to remove Life's Choices Outreach Coordinator and again as I had stated earlier, the facility coordinator had already been restored to Life's Choices Coordinator so my motion is to remove the Life's Choices Outreach Coordinator.

Mr. Rapozo moved to amend the "New Positions Proposed by the Mayor" handout by removing the Life's Choices Outreach Coordinator, seconded by Ms. Yukimura.

Ms. Nakamura:  
and Commissions.

I am going to recuse myself since it is affecting Boards

Chair Furfaro: Again, I want to remind us, to remove an item, may also require us having a significant majority vote. There is a motion. Did we have a second? Yes we did. Now it is discussion.

Mr. Bynum: I am not clear what the rationale is for removing this position. We had dialogue with Theresa a couple of times recently. They are still working on the four areas which volunteers and Committees are still administering grant funds and working on projects for (inaudible). She had has this support on and off with grants. We know that there is a grant that goes in public fund and they should continue that support. Unless I hear a different rationale, I would not support removing it.

Mr. Rapozo: I can explain my rationale. We had to Police Chief up here. He had his wish list. We had the Fire Chief up here. He had his wish list. I wish we could accommodate them all, I really do. But we are trying to put out a very efficient budget and I am only going to support positions that I believe are absolutely necessary. For one thing, any facility coordination should be done out of the Buildings Division. It should not be out of the anti-drug office or Life's Choices. That is the function of the Buildings Division. They have their expertise and contracts. They have the expertise in working with consultants. For the Life's Choices Coordinator, her expertise is in finding anti-drug programs for the people of Kaua'i. That is what I think should be done. This again, is a duplication of service which we simply cannot afford right now. That is my rationale. I wish we could accommodate all the requests from all of the department heads, I really do. But we simply cannot. As we look, those numbers are going to start rising. We have to find money and I anticipate that rising even further. This is just one of the areas I believe is not absolutely necessary at this time. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro:

Okay. Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: I have a different rationale. I think the office is doing important work and could possibly need another position but I am very concerned about the clarity of their mission and how this position would function. If I could get some real clear...part of the disclarity is the fact that they were turning her position into a facility manager which throws the whole sense of the mission off. I do not think it is the function of the County to run adolescent drug treatment centers and first of all we do not even know if it is feasible, so there is a lot of question there. Again, I have already said, is there role to coordinate and bring people together or is it to provide services. If it is to provide services, that is a huge commitment and line that we have not made before. We have often left Social Services primarily to State and non-profits community. I think we need to figure that out so I am willing to reconsider if I could get some clarity about the mission of that office and the fact that the hiring will be aligned with that mission.

Chair Furfaro: I do want to say to all of you that I have allowed this department to have an agenda item coming up soon. I want to let you know, right now, the challenge for us is the time. I know there is need for clarity on the vision and a better understanding of the mission. But the motion on the table is to remove that position. Is there any further discussion from anyone who has not spoken yet? Mr. Kualii.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you, Chair. I just wanted to add that I too feel that unless the position is absolutely necessary. From what I have heard, if we are clarifying that, and Ms. Koki said herself that she would be doing both, but that the facility function is less of a critical function at this point. And she has been doing this other Outreach Coordinator function and I see her continuing in that role and I do not see the need for this critical position at this time. I also

want to know more going forward about the continued efforts towards grants and partnerships and all the different ways we can attract resources to still do the very important work that needs to be done in this area. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: I will recognize Mr. Bynum a second time but as we go into decision making, I want to make sure we do not have long conversations. We will run out of time. Okay, you have the floor.

Mr. Bynum: I understand all of these arguments and I have already expressed my concerns about moving forward with that adolescent treatment thing I do not think I will support any funding for that until we get that feasibility about staffing it. But I am also familiar with this effort. The anti-drug effort. It has had its ups and downs. But it has a whole bunch of volunteer people involved that when Roy Nishida was there then Theresa. There have been contract facilitators and grants. But all of that effort still continues so I am going to support keeping this position.

Chair Furfaro: Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: I would like to suggest that perhaps, and we have done this before, we have put aside moneys we have not appropriated for the position but we have put it aside in some fund as "pending various events." And we could put it at least pending the discussion we have subsequent to our budget sessions so that we are at least able to engage in further discussion with that office and also, they would be able to provide further documentation or clarity about the mission and role. I think that is another alternative that I would like to hear some thoughts about.

Mr. Rapozo: Mr. Chair?

Chair Furfaro: Go ahead.

Mr. Rapozo: JoAnn, that is a nice thing to do but if you are not convinced at this point then we have to make our decision. Today is decision making. Like I said, I love to set aside money because it is the same result. If we are going set aside money, you may as well fund the position because you set aside money and we are not satisfied, that money becomes eligible for use for something else. That is my concern. I am trying to tighten up the budget. I really want to tighten up the budget and if it is not justified then we vote no. You and I both know, we all know, that as the months go by, positions are not filled then it creates a surplus. So three months from now, five months from now, they can come up to ask for a position to this body. We will have the funds, we can find the funds. To put money aside and give them more time to come up, I think that time was the budget process. And this is what this process is all about. Again, we all want to accommodate the requests but this process now is decision making and it is yes or no. I would not support setting aside money because I would ask you to do the same for the Police Department. I would ask you to do the same for everybody else. So it is decision making and if you comfortable you vote yes and if you are not you vote no. Where ever it falls, it falls.

Chair Furfaro: I am going to call for the roll and I want to read something before I call for the vote. It is in Section 19.07. "Upon the conclusion of the hearings of the Council and the Council may reduce any items in the Mayor's proposed budget by a simple majority vote which requires us to have four votes. For the group to in fact add any new items, there too must have an affirming vote of two-thirds of the entire membership." So, I just want to call on a vote for this. We only need four votes to remove this and the motion on the table would be a yes vote to remove as the motion was made by Mr. Rapozo. I am going to call for the vote.

The motion to remove the Life's Choices Coordinator Position was then put and carried by the following vote:

FOR REMOVAL: Chang, Kualii, Rapozo, Yukimura	TOTAL-4,
AGAINST REMOVAL: Bynum, Furfaro	TOTAL-2,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: Nakamura	TOTAL-1.

Mr. Kualii: While Councilmember Nakamura is out of the room, I think it is appropriate that I make my motion now to eliminate the lead, or remove the Commissions Support Clerk from the Office of the Mayor Boards and Commissions. My basic justification is again, the critical need and whether is it absolutely necessary. I know that part of this position was to support that Outreach Coordinator and support Theresa Koki as well.

Chair Furfaro: Vice-Chair Yukimura, before we go too far, I just want to clarify that the position that was just voted to remove was the Outreach Coordinator. I just want to make sure we are all clear. Go ahead Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Ms Yukimura: Thank you. I believe these come from the Liquor funds. Is that correct?

Mr. Rapozo: No, the position was transferred from Liquor.

Ms. Yukimura: I think this position is needed. I think the Boards and Commissions people are doing a lot of work. And I do not recall the justification being just for the office. Actually, even the drug office might need the support so I think I am going to vote for it. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Please gather Mr. Chang. We will have more dialogue on this. I do not want a vote with only five members. Okay, go ahead Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I said yesterday that one of the things I have been really happy with the County over the last couple of years is the Boards and Commissions. A lot of the commissions in the past were either not functioning or were not taken that seriously and they are now. They are being well-supported. I cannot remember all of the rationale in the bunch of things that I read but they are getting additional duties in this year so I am supportive of keeping this position.

Mr. Rapozo: Mr. Chair?

Chair Furfaro: You have the floor, Sir.

Mr. Rapozo: I am going to support the motion. I just really scrutinized the changes and differences between the March 15 and the May 8. Those are the positions that I really look at. March 15 submittal was positions that we absolutely need and May 8, we found some extra revenue. The proposal is to raise some taxes to generate more revenue. We have got the additional funds. These are the kinds of positions, and I do not want to be blunt, right now as we move back towards the Office of the County Clerk, I will not be supporting one of those as well because I think we also need to lead by example. Again, I am looking for positions that are essential. I would agree that at this time that the office does function well. The additional staff, in my opinion, is not essential. So I will be supporting the motion. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Kualii.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Yes, I would say the same about that March submittal to the May submittal but I also want to just remind everyone that in the budget itself for Boards and Commissions, we have a Boards and Commissions Administrator at \$96,000.00. We have a Mayor's Administrative Aid at \$67,000.00. We have an Administrative Specialist at \$48,000.00. We have two Commission Support Clerks already at \$46,000.00 and \$44,000.00. So all that has changed is the formally current Drug Facility Coordinator position, now Life's Choices Coordinator position, has come into the Boards and Commissions area. If I remember, part of the justification was that they would then get some support from those existing Commission Support Clerks and that existing Administrative Specialist and that existing Mayor's Administrative Aide. Yes, Boards and Commissions have a lot of work but they have a pretty good support staff in place already. We tried comparing that to the Office of Economic Development that we just talked about. In fact there, potentially their work is numerous with all those different specialists. You just have the director, a secretary, and then all those specialists. So the new position, which I think the way Councilmember Nakamura explained that SR-22 supports the other positions. I do not think this is absolutely necessary and critical considering what is already in place, despite the fact that they might have a lot of work to do. Our staff has a lot of work to do and they grind it out. They are very productive and very efficient. I am so happy and proud of them but we need that throughout the County too. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

Chair Furfaro: I would like to get to a point where we can vote on this. I would like to get the motion restated.

Mr. Kualii moved to remove the newly proposed position of the Office of the Mayor Boards and Commissions for Commissions Support Clerk, seconded by Mr. Rapozo.

Chair Furfaro: The second was made. There was a restatement of the motion and let me do it again. If you are going to break-off into sub-discussions here. Tell me. I will call a recess. I need attentiveness at the table especially when your colleagues are speaking.

Mr. Rapozo: I apologize, Mr. Chair.

Chair Furfaro: It was not only you. Let us make sure we understand. The motion has been restated to remove the proposed position for Commissions Support Clerk for Commissions. The motion was made by Mr. Kualii and seconded by Mr. Rapozo. And now I want a roll call vote.

The motion to remove the Commissions Support Clerk position was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR REMOVAL: Kualii, Rapozo	TOTAL-2,
AGAINST REMOVAL: Bynum, Chang, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-4,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. That position stays in as submitted by the Mayor's budget. Let us go to any other amendments. We are getting close here folks.

Mr. Kualii: Chair, I have another motion.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. I will recognize you. Let us get Councilmember Nakamura back into the hall. Ernie, you have a May Day Program to go to? I think

Mr. Rezentes could be a qualified fill-in for you. We do not want you to miss your son's May Day Program so please, let us know when you have to leave.

Mr. Barreira: Thank you, Sir. That would probably be around 5:30 p.m. I appreciate that.

Chair Furfaro: It is 5:30 p.m.? Okay.

Mr. Barreira: I need to be at Kekaha at 6:30 p.m.

Chair Furfaro: Well, we will tell Mr. Rezentes to bring dinner the way we are going. Okay. I am going go ahead and let you propose your commentary. We will restate it when Councilmember Nakamura gets in. Go ahead.

Mr. Kualii moved to remove the Office of the County Clerk, Legislative Assistant new position, exempt, \$52,000.00, seconded by Mr. Rapozo.

Chair Furfaro: Members, we are all very familiar with this. I do not think we need to have much dialogue, but I would like to call for a vote on the removal of the Legislative Analyst for our office as the motion was made. Any dialogue before I call for the vote?

Mr. Rapozo: Mr. Chair?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Rapozo: As I just stated in the earlier discussion that this is tough to do. It is. I feel for our staff but again, I am hoping—I do not know where we are at now, as far as numbers. But as we get through this budget, hopefully we can through it without having to raise taxes. That is a concern. I apply the same standard to our office as I do to all of the rest. At this time, as much as I would like to help out or staff, we have to sacrifice as much as the others. For that reason I will be supporting the motion.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Any further discussion? Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I will not belabor this but we did a Human Resource Subcommittee at the beginning of this term that clearly demonstrated that we are, in my opinion, vastly understaffed. Especially with this wonderful Council who are activists members. Our staff just puts it out. I was going to make a motion to add a staff person or to modify this one. But to reject, no way for me.

Chair Furfaro: I just went to check on a statistic. Sorry for stepping away. In the time since we have been a body here, I just want to remind you that we did 3,217 of legislative activities. I wanted to throw that out there, prospectively. Vice-Chair Yukimura, you have the floor.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes. I have a strong feeling that we need this position but I wish we had some internal staff dialogue beforehand. We had such a good experience in the hiring of our Clerk in terms of the dialogue we had about internal operations. I think we are due for that. We should set it up so that it is periodic because there are all kinds of things to talk about. That is my concern. And one of my concerns is how we are going to hire. But I am assuming we will do external recruitment and we will do it like we did the Clerk's position.

Chair Furfaro: I hope I established the high standard that got us the number of qualified people that we have now. I did not hear from anybody who had disputes about the Committees that I set up to do those interviews, but we do them by Committee.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes. The fact that we have not had an internal discussion is showing because I do not know.

Chair Furfaro: Well, I am sorry. I can show you the whole report, Vice-Chair. I am very sensitive to where this discussion is going because as you have talked about in H.R. Committee, I set it up as Chair. When we talked about our Rules Committee, I set it up as Chair. When I refer to a number about how we handle the pieces, we handle it with the staff. When we interview people, we have a Committee that does the interviews. I try to keep Councilmembers out of it for all intents and purposes to take the politics out of the hiring.

Ms. Yukimura: That is fine, Chair. Excuse my ignorance. Do we do open recruiting such that we advertise?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay. That is one of my concerns.

Chair Furfaro: In fact, we go State wide on some of the advertisements.

Ms. Yukimura: That is excellent. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Kualii.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I just wanted to state that it was difficult to bring this forward but I am looking at the big picture and I feel like—in thinking about the future, I would rather not start a new position this year and be having to relook at it and potentially eliminate it next year or the year after. I think we need be an example for the rest of the County as far as tightening our belt. Our staff has been incredible, and if not for the recent additions, we have had before my time and maybe just after I started, some vacancies and that clearly made an even stronger burden on our staff. But now that all of our vacancies are full, I think that of the two positions that we are looking at, that the Records Management position is an absolute critical need. For me, at least, I do not see the same as an absolute critical need—it is a need, but for me, not an absolute critical need for the Legislative Assistant. I may be wrong. I do not see the whole picture. There are seven of us and we all have different work requests. Maybe we are satisfied, maybe we are not. Maybe we would come up with more work if we had more help. The majority will decide ultimately but for me, it is the responsible thing to do. Again, it might have been even harder to make if we did not have the incredible staff that we have and knowing that they are competent and productive. The new people especially came in and just hit the ground running. For me, they have been just as effective and productive than the people who have been here longer. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you very much. On that note, I would like to call for the vote if there is no more dialogue. For the motion on the table, is there more dialogue?

Ms. Nakamura: I want to something. I am sorry.

Chair Furfaro: Go ahead.



Ms. Nakamura: Chair, I guess this is question for you because I think you see the big picture of our operations. I wanted to find out; do you see this person being a generalist in the office or a specialist?

Chair Furfaro: For the Legislative Analysts that we have, some have specialized areas. I think where we are going forward, we have people who have to chair sometimes, or get assignments associated with two of the standing committees that we have. This position would help out alleviate identifying an allocation of those committees. Remember, we do not allocate our committees by Councilmembers. We allocate those committee chairs vote amongst ourselves. The Clerk assigns which Committee will be led by which Legislative Analyst. We are short one. In my opinion, we have some very aggressive Councilmembers that want to get their work to get some priority done. I will tell you right now, if you look at the group at the table here, I am the one that has been able to introduce the lease pieces of legislation because I know of the workload that is going on. I hope that answers your question. The will make the report available to you folks. Jade, did you hear for my request on our summary report? I am going to call for a vote now.

Ms. Yukimura: Chair, just a question.

Chair Furfaro: I am going to call for the vote.

Ms. Yukimura: Chair—

Chair Furfaro: I am going to call for the vote.

Ms. Yukimura: I want to know for the title position, is it an analyst?

Chair Furfaro: I am going to call for the vote.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay. But it says assistant, so it is different actually.

Mr. Rapozo: That is what they are called.

Ms. Yukimura: Is that an analyst?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: Which is the same thing?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay. I just wanted to know what we were voting for.

Chair Furfaro: I would like to call for the vote, please.

The motion to remove the Legislative Assistant was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR REMOVAL: Kualii, Rapozo	TOTAL-2,
AGAINST REMOVAL: Bynum, Chang, Nakamura, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-5,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. We are going to our next amendment. My.  
Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I would like some dialogue with the Councilmembers regarding the Office of the County Clerk. Under The Charter, one of our primary responsibilities is Fiscal which we have been exercising for weeks now. I hope it is clear to everyone that there are some fundamental problems about getting proper data and analyzing it order to do our work. It is a pretty sophisticated thing particularly around property taxes, but also all budget matters. I really would like us to have a Financial Analyst on staff. I want it to be someone who has a level of expertise similar to an accountant. You do not have to be an accountant but somebody that has a clear finance background. So I would like to entertain a discussion at least about either adding that position. It is kind of at a higher level than these Legislative Analysts because we need that specific expertise. It would also be technical expertise. So I would like to know if people are open to adding a position for a Financial Analyst. That would be my preference. Or, perhaps taking this position we just kept and reprogramming that as a Financial Analyst at a higher salary range. My preference would be for an addition position for Financial Analyst. If that does not happen, I would come back with a second proposal to take that position we just did and put it at as more of a Financial Analyst. This is at \$52,000.00. I would think it would be more of an \$80,000.00 range.

Chair Furfaro: I want everybody to hold that discussion thought for a minute. The agenda that I passed out was to review the positions that are proposed in the budget. Later, we will go through departments and that would be to add stuff that does not appear. So, if we could hold on to what I am saying here. I want to review the pieces that came in the budget as new positions, but when we go to the Clerk's office, if you want to make a proposal, we will entertain you.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you.

Mr. Kualii: Chair, I think process wise, all that is left is the Office of Economic Development. We are waiting to hear about Councilmember Nakamura's question regarding the Economic Technician.

Chair Furfaro: I think they are prepared to answer us now.

Mr. Kualii: Okay.

Chair Furfaro: I think that is that last piece we have got at this point. Ernie, were you able to get some information for the group?

Mr. Barreira: Yes, Sir. I was able to speak to O.E.D. Director, George Costa. He did articulate very clearly that his intent was for a technician as opposed to a specialist. We also conferred that the dollar values are correct in terms of the budget. It is the description, the text, that is incorrect. What the O.E.D.'s intent was a technician as opposed to a specialist.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Councilmember Nakamura.

Ms. Nakamura: Can you please clarify for me, as a technician, what is the starting pay with that?

Chair Furfaro: Can I piggy back on your question? I want to make sure we understand is we have a variance title but what we have in the budget is the 55 or is the 45?

Mr. Barreira: It is \$55,500.00.

Chair Furfaro: Okay.

Ms. Nakamura: Can you please clarify. I am looking at the position descriptions that were sent to us. The present pay range is SR-22. Are you showing SR-22 in here? I am seeing SR-24. But that is the discrepancy that I wanted to clarify.

Chair Furfaro: Wally, can you come up?

WALLACE REZENTES, Director of Finance: I believe the March submittal had it at the correct level.

Ms. Nakamura: SR-22?

Mr. Rezentes: Yes, as a technician.

Ms. Nakamura: The SR-22 begins at when you are hiring a new position at SR-22, what is the beginning pay?

Mr. Rezentes: I do not have that available. I can call Personnel and find out.

Ms. Nakamura: We have had discussions yesterday about Human Resources. We were notified and told regarding the ? Coordinator position that because it is a new position, the pay range has to start at the lowest level.

Mr. Rezentes: I believe that this position is non-civil service so you can hire in the range. I think the position they were talking about yesterday reference a civil-service position, not an exempt position.

Ms. Nakamura: My understanding is that there is one civil- service position in the Office of Economic Development.

Mr. Rezentes: Correct.

Ms. Nakamura: That is the ag. specialist. All others are exempt.

Mr. Rezentes: Correct.

Ms. Nakamura: I think the technician position is good to have. The reason why is because if all the other positions are exempt, that means they are at the will of whoever is in office. I think continuity is really important in this position because you are going to be serving all of the specialists in that department as well as the director. All those positions could move because they are exempt. It may not have historically but there is that potential for movement. My thinking is that it should be a civil-service position. That would be a source of some continuity within that department. I am wondering if we wanted to consider that option, is this the time to do that while we are having this discussion?

Mr. Rezentes: That is the Council's prerogative of how they want to place it in the budget.

Ms. Nakamura: So, if we were to keep it at...so you are saying now, that you want it to read Economic Development Technician? If it is civil-service, what would be the pay?

Mr. Barreira: Councilmember, we can check on that, on the starting pay. But one thing that I can inform you on is that by virtue of what Ms. Rapozo was talking about yesterday in our H.R. discussions, that would have to start in the A level so the salary—they made no discretion other than a special request to recruit at a higher minimum. Mr. Rezentes will be checking on that number for you.

Chair Furfaro: Any discussion on this matter? Further questions for Ernie? Mr. Chang, you have the floor.

Mr. Chang: I do not think I have any questions.

Ms. Yukimura: Mr. Chair, are we moving on while we are waiting?

Chair Furfaro: I am asking Economic Development questions.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay.

Mr. Bynum: We are still on Economic Development?

Chair Furfaro: Yes. If there is any more questions on Economic Development while we are waiting for the answer because I will ask a question. As I stated earlier, does this department not have whether we are worried about civil-service or why do they not have a deputy? With all of the concerns that we have about the economy today, rather than looking at this position here as such, as a technician. I think it was yesterday, on channel 4, they were doing this County presentation for May Day and everything. Mr. Kawakami presented for the island of Kaua'i—he brought this spread out of products from Kaua'i. There were food products, beverage products, sun tan lotion, and skin lotion. It was pretty impressive. A lot of the Kaua'i products that were on the presentation really sent a message about the entrepreneurial ship that we have on Kaua'i. Of course, we had the famous Kaua'i Cookies. They had the manju from Lāwa'i and the black bean sauce that was bottled. There were some great things. Some of the work we are doing right now in the CEDS? Program is focused on some of these initiatives to establish diversification for our economy and so forth. Was there any discussion about why that department does not deserve a deputy versus a technician?

Mr. Barreira: I am not aware of any discussion or any reasons why or why not the deputy does not exist. Perhaps Director Rezentes can comment.

Chair Furfaro: Wally, was there ever any discussion about this department why it would not have a director assistant. I mean, deputy director?

Mr. Rezentes: The only thing I can say, when there was a discussion with the director about his needs, he had indicated that primarily his most important needs is in the technician level type of position, due to his research of the type of duties and responsibilities at that level. Relative to a deputy, that discussion really did not take place with us. But when asked about the priority needs of the department, the most pressing need was at the technician level and that was the reason for his request at that level.

Chair Furfaro: Just in the last day, we have had discussions about keeping the pulse on the star report and how our competitive profile with the other islands—the fact

that we have CEDS programs that are initiating a program for a slaughterhouse for the Cattlemen Association and the pork farmers. We seem to have been turning the corner on our economic development. We are trying to kick off a lot of these programs and in my opinion, not give it the same attention that it is deserved in other departments. If you are telling me this Technical Assistant was signed off by the Director, then I can go with that. I just wanted to raise questions. Small business support is important. Yes, we have a Chamber of Commerce, but we have got a lot of entrepreneurial ship going on. Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I am a bit lost and I think we are looking for some answers but while we are talking about Economic Development, I actually worked at that department at one time. It is sort of like topic oriented; film, tourism, and energy. This position is intended to be support for all those folks or is it for a new program for Kaua'i Made or Kaua'i Grown, a new topic? I am confused.

Chair Furfaro: Let me summarize. When I was a young man, we had hotel and sugar. That is what we had. Now, we have Farmer's Markets, Kaua'i Products, and a booming film industry which Kawakami delivered a very good message on the State program. We have this need for diversification. We want to expand cattle. Whether we are slaughtering and cryovac packing, we have one guy. He is George. Yes, he is an Ag. Specialist. But we are also in the middle of doing an important Ag. land study. We have an energy guy, but we are trying to find out how much of the land we are going to share for food production versus energy production. We have expanded to an energy team. It is all coming under Economic Development. If all of a sudden if we were to diversify our economy, did we give thought about getting someone who is able to wear multiple hats and expedite conclusions versus a technician. That is all I wanted to say.

Mr. Rezendes: The only thing I can say is that I know you folks had your opportunity and I am sure I should say the other way. George has had his opportunity to explain in his budget session what his needs were and I believe what he had articulated were those needs and priorities with you. I can understand, Chair, where you are coming from. All I can say is without George being here, he is requesting that level of a position.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. You answered my question. If that is what he requested at that level, then that is what it is. Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I share the Chair's concerns. I do not know what the solution is but we had testimony at public hearing. Somebody brought up a 40 year old plan for Kapa'a Town. That has not been implemented in 40 years. In my experience around the Country, this office would be doing downtown redevelopment, accessing tax incremental financing, and using mechanisms that are available. I have talked to George about that. He has got a huge learning curve because we do not have that kind of focus in this department now and I think at the detriment of these processes. George has not been here in a couple of years but we had this dialogue but he is overwhelmed with all these projects. But, the Council has also put in CEDS and things about diversifying the economy and not being targeted just at those pieces. I feel for Hanapēpē, Waimea, and Kapa'a. We are not using these mechanisms that are available to us and available all over the Country. Eventually that leadership has to come not only from the County, but from that department and they do not have that person. I think that is consistent to what the Chair is saying.

Chair Furfaro: That is very consistent. We have a changing community.

Mr. Bynum: We do target an investment there for economic development. That eventually means more tax revenues for us. I do not know if we are supposed to do this during Decision Making but I share all of those concerns. I want to be clear with where we

are going with this. Technician head at civil-service makes sense in terms of support but what the Chair is saying about taking that department to at least develop some of the things I am talking about is the frustration I have had for five years. Why are we not using these finance mechanisms? Why are we not doing a big picture redevelopment for our downtown areas?

Chair Furfaro: I want to make sure we do not start leading into this. I am saying we are adding one position. Are we adding it at the right level? This is about decision making. We had the chance to hear this from George. I am just asking one more time, is this the right position you want because we are making decisions today. I heard from the Administration, that is what you gave us and that is the discussion from Economic Development. We are not here to reconstrue what he presented to us but it is also a way for us to say, "Hey with this additional person, is it an opportunity for us to say is that what we really want? We got a lot that is cooking over there. Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: I think this has been a very stimulating discussion and it is reflective of the changing role of the Office of Economic Development. I am thinking with what has been requested here. In the period before the next budget, that the Office of Economic Development be encouraged to engage in a discussion about their new and expanding role and what kind of personnel and other infrastructure it is going to take to fully meet those new needs and challenges. I think at that point it will be interesting to look at the other offices across the State. I think the Big Island has a very interesting office. It would be good to do that research; engage in discussion with the business community, farming community, and policy makers like us. Perhaps in the next budget, Mr. Costa could come back with some ideas. I think I want to convey the real appreciation that we have for the job he has taken on. A transition from a small office to a bigger role is a lot to do. He has been conscientious and dynamic in his leadership.

Chair Furfaro: I do not want to have too much more conversation on this but I believe what you said was very appropriate. He certainly needs the criteria from somebody who is leading our economic development being that he has a great visitor industry background. At the same time, he lives aloha. Mr. Kualii, Councilmember Nakamura, then Mr. Chang.

Mr. Kualii: Just very briefly, Mr. Chair. This all started with having clarity whether it was SR-24 or SR-22 for Councilmember Nakamura's question. I do not know if we had the motion yet, but I support SR-22 Economic Development Technician and I also support it being civil-service. In addition to the Ag. Specialist, we should start committing long time commitments to this department and to the work that it does. If the Director stated he wants a technician to support all the specialists, as well as himself, let us give him that and let us put it in SR-22 and civil-service. I am ready to second Councilmember's Nakamura's motion if that is what it is.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. But our question is still not answered by the Finance Director. If we go with civil-service, is this going to be a lower tier start.

Mr. Kualii: It would be lower.

Mr. Barreira: It definitely will be lower, Chair. I am trying to get a definitive number. I am looking at a number of \$43,296.00 but I am not familiar with this effective date scale because I do not believe the scale has changed since 2009.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. I am going to go to Councilmember Nakamura, Member Chang, then Councilwoman Yukimura.

Ms. Nakamura: I would support that motion that was implied by Councilmember Kualii. I think the discussion that the Chair and Councilwoman Yukimura brought up about the expanding of roles in this department is important to keep in mind as we move forward. I like the steps that you outlined on how we should address it. I think this Council made an important statement last year by outsourcing a big chunk of work to promote the industry faster. By outsourcing work to K.E.B. and ? Internation Alliance to carry on some of the work recognizing the expanding role of this department. We are continuing, in hopefully this budget, to carry that out. We have given this department additional resources. I think you need to think long-term and this would be a good short-term measure for a civil service, SR-22 position. I would also keep it open that if the need should change over the next year, I would be open to increasing it to a specialist position if that can be documented if we are clear about what that extended responsibility translates into. I am very much open to that.

Chair Furfaro:

Mr. Chang.

Mr. Chang: Thank you, Chairman. I want to speak on behalf of being the Chair of Economic Development and I believe that I understand how that office works. I believe that office needs tremendous help. I think George Costa being a hotelier most of his life, learned what it was like working at a hotel morning, noon, and night. I think as a director, he is finding out in his position that he is working way more hours than he does as a hotelier. I clearly will say that I know for a fact that he needs help. There are so many moving parts in that situation that we have modified specialists there that need support. I do not believe this title calling a technician is really a technician. I think this is a very high level and high skilled position that is helping and supporting every single facet of Economic Development. If Economic Development is a driving force—we got small business, tourism, and agriculture. I am not one to go out there and throw away some money but if you want the right people in the right positions, we have to be able to support them and support them financially. Whoever is in that position, George definitely needs help. As the Chair said, this is one situation in the County that we do not have a deputy. I can just say for you—I am not speaking on behalf of George, but he works (inaudible) unbelievable. If you look back at any email that you see, that you get at 2:54 a.m. or 4:00 a.m. or whatever the time is—he is at every meeting. He is all over the island because that is what you need to be. You need to be from the north shore to the west side. You need to be everywhere, all the time. When you are living aloha, it is not via email or it is not via texting; it is being face to face. I think that this department, speaking on behalf of being the Chair of Economic Development, needs help. I am going to support the funding and I agree with everyone that I think that as we go along to see where we are at to create a position or positions. You are talking about specialists in this changing world. It is amazing what happens in the Economic Development office. Everything that pertains to life and business and the well-being of Kaua'i is going through the Economic Development office. It is really fast-moving, Kaua'i Made, Kaua'i Grown, Agriculture, Tourism and Film Industry. He definitely needs help and I think this position needs to be supported. I am going to support this position because I need to tell you what is going on in the office. I do know what is going on in the island and I think we need help. I will ask my members to support this position. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro:

But I want to make sure you clarify yourself. You support it as the proposed amendment, as the civil-service position; or as presented in the budget, non-civil service at \$55,000.00. That is where I think we have a bit of a misunderstanding of what we are doing here. Councilmember Nakamura suggested it become civil-service. It was seconded by—was it opposite?

Ms. Nakamura:

That was Mr. Kualii.

Chair Furfaro:

Okay.

Mr. Kualii:  
22. They helped us with that also.

The correction was technician, not specialist. And SR-

Chair Furfaro: Right. What I want to say for my 38 years in business, actively, the reality is that position deserves the recognition at \$55,000.00 as a noncivil-service position because this person has got to be out beating the bush, talking to business, on a plane, going here, and being at the flower show. All of those pieces. And I was only asking the question, maybe that title should be deputy. Now, we need to keep moving here. Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: My understanding is, we can designate it civil-service but because this office is under the Office of the Mayor, it really is the manager's choice whether they make it civil-service or exempt. Whether it is civil-service or otherwise, I supported at the \$55,000.00 because I am not comfortable changing it unless I talk to George, personally. I really respect his leadership and trust his judgment so I am just going to go with this unless he gives us a signal that it is something else that he wants. As I understand it, it is a choice he makes as a manager.

Chair Furfaro: We have had that discussion earlier. There is a motion and a second on the table to change it to a civil-service position. But the discussion was also, and I will recognize Mr. Bynum in a minute, is what was presented in the budget was the \$55,000.00 Economic Development and it was proposed as non-civil service position. That decision is in the hands of the director. Mr. Bynum, then Mr. Kualii.

Mr. Bynum: What is in here is what George requested?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Barreira: Yes, Sir.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you.

Mr. Kualii: I would just say that when Councilmember Nakamura articulated that this position--and this is how I understand it as well, is being added to support all the specialists; the one in Agriculture, Tourism, Energy, Work Force, and the Film Coordinator. Of those five positions that are being supported by this support technician, not specialist, two of those positions is at the exact same salary level. So to bring in, and if you just look at the budget, it is very clear. I am looking at numbers. I am not looking at personalities. I am definitely not looking at some big high position that should be supporting George directly as a deputy, I am looking at a position that is being added to support the work of the department to support those five existing specialists, including the Film Coordinator and Work Force Investment positions that are at \$55,500.00. To me, the support position is critical. To make it at SR-22, that SR-22 should be at the civil-service level, which starts lower than \$55,000.00. That is all. It is logical. I do not know if they missed it or if they have somebody special in mind with special skills and they need a higher salary to attract them. The top of the range is \$55,000.00, for SR-22 and the bottom of the range for SR-24. Why is SR-24 at the same rate and the Film Coordinator SR-22 at the same rate? I would imagine the Film Coordinator has probably been there for a few years. I do not understand why it is the same salary. It should be a lower salary.

Chair Furfaro: Let me go through procedure wise here so we all understand. We are voting on my agenda piece which shows up. First I need a motion if you desire to add the position. Then it can be followed by what you want to amend what was submitted. Then



on the voting, if we decide to remove it, it is four votes to remove. If you want to amend what the Mayor submitted, it is five votes. Those are the rules.

Mr. Kualii: But can you correct what the Mayor submitted? Because what is on this paper is not what the Mayor submitted. Correct? It is Economic Development Technician, specialist and it is SR-22 not SR-24. The \$55,500.00 is correct. That is what the Mayor submitted. But the position is Economic Development Technician, not Specialist and SR-22 not SR-24. Now, when you look at those corrections, look back in the budget at the other Economic Development Specialist, not Technician.

Chair Furfaro: Your point is well taken. First of all, I want to make sure this is what Mr. Costa presented to us. Ernie, can you verify that was submitted in this roster was the \$55,000.00.

Mr. Barreira: Yes, it was reflected in our worksheets, our Excel spread worksheets, which we have been working with the department. The \$55,500.00 is reflected.

Chair Furfaro: What title was reflected?

Mr. Barreira: Economic Development Technician.

Chair Furfaro: The first part of what I have summarized with you folks is we will need a motion and a second to take that. Then if there is an amendment to that, we need a motion and a second to amend that. If we vote the position out, I want to remind you that we can vote it out with four votes.

Mr. Chang: I might make a motion to approve the \$55,500.00,

Chair Furfaro: Not stick with the request. Make it very clear.

Mr. Chang: \$55,500.00—

Chair Furfaro: As a—Technician.

Mr. Chang: Correct. As what was requested by George Costa.

Chair Furfaro: Do I have second?

Mr. Kualii: Second.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you. Now, are there any amendments to that?

Mr. Kualii: I will make a motion to amend to leave it as Economic Development Technician, to leave it at SR-22, but to make it civil-service to commit to long-term and to have the salary be lower at the starting range of civil-service.

Chair Furfaro: Do I have second to the amendment?

Ms. Nakamura: Second.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Now, I just want to make sure before I have any further discussion, we have heard that maybe this civil-service discussion is made by the division head and not by the Council. I want to throw that out. Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: I just want to point out that if it is civil service then it will be qualified for overtime. The Chair's point about how this job does not have real boundaries is something to consider.

Chair Furfaro: Any further dialogue? I need to get Mr. Bynum in for a vote. We are going to take a three minute break until we get Mr. Bynum in.

There being no objection, the meeting was recessed at 12:48 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 12:52 p.m., and proceeded as follows:

Chair Furfaro: We are back from recess. I want to summarize for all of our benefits. Mr. Bynum had to step out for a minute. We have an item for a new position in the Office of Economic Development. It takes four votes to add that position or it would take us four votes to remove that position. The position is being amended on the motion to put it as a civil-service position which would require to amend or add, in this case. That amendment is an addition because it is a classification would take five votes. We have those motions on the table but Mr. Kualii would like to have the floor.

Mr. Kualii: Mr. Chair, I withdraw my amendment.

Ms. Nakamura: I withdraw my second.

Mr. Kualii: Now I would like to make a new amendment. My new amendment would be to approve the position as Economic Development Technician at the level of SS-22, not civil service, but with the salary of \$48,500.00.

Chair Furfaro: With that, I want to make sure because we are amending something in budget, will require a five-member vote. So, do I have a second for that amendment?

Mr. Kualii moved to amend the position as Economic Development Technician at the level of SR-22, not civil service, but with the salary of \$48,500.00, seconded by Ms. Nakamura.

Mr. Kualii: I would just say, Chair, that civil-service rate at starting was approximately \$43,296.00.

Chair Furfaro: Now, I am going to call for the vote on the amendment first. I am going to do it as a roll call vote.

The motion to amend the position as Economic Development Technician at the level of SR-22, not civil service, but with the salary of \$48,500.00, was then put and failed by the following vote:

FOR AMMENDMENT: Bynum, Kualii, Nakamura	TOTAL-3,
AGAINST AMMENDMENT: Chang, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-3,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: Rapozo	TOTAL-1,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: The amendment fails. Now we are at the main motion. Please do a roll call. As the budget was submitted by the Mayor.

The motion to approval the main motion as submitted by the Mayor was then put and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Bynum, Chang, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-4,
AGAINST APPROVAL: Kualii, Nakamura	TOTAL-2,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: Rapozo	TOTAL-1,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: So, we have four to two, keeping it in as submitted by the Mayor. Let us go on to any other items here that is on the sheet. Any other amendments?

Ms. Yukimura: Like we did a motion to add the position as proposed by the Mayor, are we assuming that if we have no amendments these are automatic, or are we going to vote one by one on each?

Chair Furfaro: I would say that it would be the choice of the body. Since the items that are here, we can vote on the amended submittals. But if you want to go item by item, I do not have a problem. If I go back to the Council analysts, we voted to approve it so why would we go back to vote it again. I think we vote on everything as amended.

Ms. Yukimura: I see. Okay.

Chair Furfaro: Are there any more items on here which we would like to have discussions on?

Ms. Yukimura: So, we are also including the last three on the back page.

Chair Furfaro: Yes. This is the whole thing.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes. I want to amend by removing the Law Office Assistant Position in the Office of Prosecuting Attorney.

Chair Furfaro: Is there a second?

Mr. Bynum: Second. For discussion purposes.

Chair Furfaro: Members, there is a motion and a second to remove the Law Office Assistant in the Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: This is painful because in this department, we were not allowed to have a complete dialogue during budget deliberation. Some of the questions we asked in writing were not responded to. I want to make sure that we have an appropriately and adequately funded Office of the Prosecuting Attorney but I do not have a complete set of the information in order to make an informed decision. I am seeking information from other sources because I cannot get it directly from the Prosecutor. That is going to take some time. Hopefully I will get more information from other County empathies today. I did not have enough information to make an informed decision so I have turned all of this dialogue into a question. If we remove this position now, and if I can receive more information on Monday or Tuesday, can we revisit it?

Chair Furfaro: I do not plan to do that.

Mr. Bynum: In good conscious, without having complete information, I cannot support something I do not fully understand.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you. Anyone else? Vice-Chair?

Ms. Yukimura: I just want to reiterate what Councilmember Bynum has said. We have been put in a really untenable position by the refusal of the Prosecuting Attorney to give us information. The public has been put in a bad position too because they have not been entitled to hear and see the dialogue about it like how they have on all the other departments in the County. I do not feel confident in voting for this position without full discussion dialogue ability to question and discuss the entire budget of the Prosecuting Attorney.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Kualii.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you, Mr. Chair. If we do not have enough information then we do not support a change. The Mayor put this forward as his proposal. It took a lot of discussion and a lot of information and back and forth with the Mayor with representatives here to change something. We have tried some changes that we were unable to make. If we are not comfortable because we do not have enough information, we definitely should not be removing something or changing something that we, even as a Council, looks like approved in other Council and fiscal year 2012. I am a little confused about that. You said something earlier about, "Maybe it should not be on this list because we put things on that was already prior approved and we just wanted to make sure you can approve it again." I do not understand.

Chair Furfaro: Folks, I have a different approach to this why I will not be supporting it. I want to make sure you all are very clear. Last year, I voted for an additional \$140,000.00 that went to the Prosecutor's Office for some of the staffing issues. I am rounding that off in my head but I take a quicker look at financial statements because it is the nature of my business background. At the trans we are at now, there is going to be a sizable untapped budget amount in the Prosecutor's Office again this year. For that reason, the Prosecutor's Office has the ability to move and shift money within the budget. Am I correct, Wally? So I do not think she would be prevented from doing that going forward. But I do not think to support that additional funded position. It makes sense when I know the department is going to end with a rather large payroll surplus. I will not be supporting this position. That is my rationale for you folks. Any discussion? Yes, Mr. Kualii.

Mr. Kualii: So that rationale clearly could be used for all departments as far as the laps that the Administration talked about reducing by 25%. Councilmember Bynum and I and others expressing that we should be tightening even more on that laps and that surplus. Clearly, I think (inaudible) and the prosecutor before us had brought that to our attention that especially in the lower positions like Law Office Assistant; she does have needs to have support. She has been addressing some of that need with the dollar funded positions and even with the 89 day positions. We recognize that it is critical work being done by the Prosecutor with Public Safety. We support that and to now remove a Law Office Assistant \$35,000.00 position because we can argue, "Do not worry because she will be able to take care of it anyway." She requested it. The Mayor approved it. The Mayor included it in these positions. I do not know what the motivation would be at this time to single out this position based on not having enough information or not being able to make decisions. I thought that it was part of her presentation about the support that comes from the low level. Yes, maybe she would be able to do it with 89 day positions and maybe she would be able to do it with dollar funded positions. But, we did not apply the same principles across the County and maybe we should. We could tighten the surplus and the laps. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

Chair Furfaro: Here is the difference, Mr. Kualii, that I need everybody to hear. Not all those other departments came and asked for more money. That is where I am coming from. It was more money given. That is my rationale.

Mr. Kualii: Mr. Chair, we just gave ourselves two positions.

Chair Furfaro: Understood, with the appropriate rationale but we did not ask for money in the year for the year. Anyway, I am ready to call for the vote on this. Let us do a roll call vote.

Mr. Kualii: Can you repeat the motion, please.

Chair Furfaro: The motion was to remove the position. It was seconded by Mr. Bynum. Then I gave my rationale.

FOR REMOVAL: Bynum, Chang, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-4,
AGAINST REMOVAL: Kualii, Nakamura	TOTAL-2,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: Rapozo	TOTAL-1,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: We have an opportunity to entertain any more amendments to the salary piece. If not, I am going to call for a vote to except it as we have gone through all of the amendments. Any further discussion? Does everybody understand that we are voting on the amendments and/or changes that we have done overall?

Ms. Nakamura: Mr. Chair, can I just make one technical amendment.

Chair Furfaro: I think so. This is the time.

Ms. Nakamura: My amendment would be on the position description on the specialist position. Because the budget that was submitted reflects Specialists—

Mr. Kualii: We voted on Technicians.

Ms. Nakamura: Did we? Okay. I just wanted to double check. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Any further discussion? Now folks, I want to stay here before we break for lunch because if we clean up the entire payroll, dollar funded pieces, and the new positions; the reality is that early next week and things are going to go a lot smoother. We have a motion and a second to approve the new positions as amended or removed from the Mayor's budget. Because there is a removal, I need to make sure I have five votes. May I have a roll call vote on the whole piece as amended?

The motion to approve the new positions as amended or removed from the Mayor's budget was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-6,
AGAINST APPROVAL: None.	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: Rapozo	TOTAL-1,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: Wally, those changes has been done. Before we go too far, we do not go anywhere because in 25 minutes we have to break for lunch and I want to go to the page that we are dealing in Payroll on the dollar funded positions. Before I go into the dollar funded positions, I want to get some advice from the Deputy County Clerk. I also want to share with you folks that on the dollar-funded positions we have in the Budget Ordinance, provisos that say the following, "Appropriations or authorizations for positions in this Ordinance shall constitute the establishment of such positions. Departments having significant funds may hire dollar-funded positions, provided the Council is informed of hiring or such positions. The Mayor shall inform the Council on the monthly basis of any actions taken for dollar funded relocations, reclassifications, or abolishments of any positions." What that (inaudible?) says is he needs to tell us. He does not need to get approved. That is what the (inaudible) says. I want to make sure we all understand that. Councilmember Kualii.

Mr. Kualii: I did want to say something about that as well. I have some concerns with the dollar-funded positions. I will be making some proposals under provisos and not exactly under this position at this time. But I did want to make note that what you just read was indeed in our listed provisos in last year's Fiscal Budget but that the Mayor has removed it in his proposal for this year's budget. I will be proposing to put it back again. I will also be proposing to find the legal way possible to strengthen that and to bring the authority of budget making back to this Council and to not allow so much flexibility in the use of dollar funded positions. Some flexibility is needed for Operations but not so much that we basically usurp the authority of this Council in creating positions to the point that in mid-year, positions can be altered. The title changes, the duties change, and the salaries doubled. In essence, that is creating a new position. I am going to address this with the provisos but I did want to make note that what you just read is not even a part of this new proposal. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

Chair Furfaro: Well, we do have the provisos towards the later part. I do not have a problem acknowledging the Dollar Funded Positions in there as long as the narrative in the provisos recognizes that we are the financial officers for the County. We have that responsibility. I would like to send that. I am going to ask that we come up with some verbiage and we have the County Attorney take a look at it. Any further discussion, Mr. Bynum?

Mr. Bynum: Mel has talked about if this is critically needed. Clearly we are adding positions this year. I have had ones I want to have but that does not mean that any of us are not being thoughtful about the implications of that being a long-term commitment. One way or the other, I concur with this consensus here. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Councilmember, let me recognize Councilmember Nakamura first.

Ms. Nakamura: I would like to see further discussion.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Thank you for your comments. I want you to make sure folks understand firmly where I am at. The Administration needs to come back to this body for approval, not come back to inform us. My choices are that we get narrative in here that gets checked by the Attorney that says, "Yes, you possibly have some needs to access these positions. We have to introduce a money bill to get it done." Not get several positions that we just approved that all of a sudden get canceled and they use the classification as Dollar Funded. The next thing you know, it is done. We are not finished. You are new to the Council. I have dealt with this for ten years and I am finished with it. I am finished with it. Either we get the proviso with the right thing, and if they come back with approval, that is fine with me. If not, then I am prepared to go the other way and remove everything that is Dollar Funded. Those are the two choices. I am sorry. I am very passionate about this. I would like to leave the positions there and be able to have the interaction

with the Administration when they need the position versus to just cancel something we approve, transfer the money, and go. Mr. Kualii and then Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Kualii: Very briefly, when Mr. Bynum said the fund the Dollar Funded Position, we just approved a brand new Dollar Funded Position. The Department of Public Works, Solid Waste, Refuse Collector Utility Worker. And it is being paid by the General Fund. At this time, the budgeted amount is a dollar. The position is created so six months from now, and into the new year; if the department decides they have that need and they have surplus moneys, they can put money to that existing position. They can put it to that existing classification and fill that position. But to change it, they should come back to the Council for approval. The only other thing I would say too is that there are many Dollar Funded Positions out there that have been created years ago, according to the data I get from our last Vacant Positions Report, as of March 31. I do not know how reliable—I need to confirm with departments and what have you, and I plan to work on that. That is why I am thinking instead of trying to go through and pick positions and ask for deletion now, I am going to follow up with Human Resources and with the departments. As Councilmember Nakamura suggested, is to see what those needs are and involving. Clearly, to give them the flexibility, especially when they ask in advance, “We need this,” like Solid Waste has done, Utility Worker Dollar Funded, for that flexibility in the coming year. We have done that now. Use that position in that division, in the department for the purpose you came and got approval for. If you change anything about, move it to another department, change the job title, change the salary even by a little bit, or change the classification even by one tiny step; you should come back to the Council for approval because we approved it to begin with. That is our authority with the Budget. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

Chair Furfaro: I just want to clarify one piece. I was speaking with my American Express Carte Blanche across the board, I want to make sure we understand that there are a couple Dollar Funded Positions that we cannot remove. Those deal with State Housing and State Driver’s Licenses. When the demand occurs, those positions have to be used for those things. I am sorry I was so passionate in covering the whole thing but I want to make sure there are rules like that too. Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: (Inaudible)...

Chair Furfaro: Like I said, those are State Inspectors, they need to be there by State Code. The ideal thing is to get the right narrative in the proviso first. That is the ideal thing.

Mr. Bynum: Okay. I am sorry, may I continue?

Chair Furfaro: You have the floor.

Mr. Bynum: (Inaudible)...

Chair Furfaro: We are all talking story and everything like that but all that is said is when you go for that extra scoop of rice, you just have to tell us so that next time we can cook more. Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: May we ask questions of the Administration?

Chair Furfaro: Yes. I just wanted to make my statement about the Dollar Funded thing. We need something more specific in the proviso.

Ms. Yukimura: My question to the Administration is first of all, is there a commitment to inform us as soon as it is filled?

Mr. Rezendes: If that is in the proviso, we should be complying what is in the proviso. I believe you do receive reports from the Personnel Department on the hiring or Vacancy Report et cetera. I am not sure on the timeliness but my understanding that it should be coming your way in response—

Chair Furfaro: We read from the last report 59 days. The Charter says ten. They got it to us in 30. The thing is just to inform is what is in the current proviso but I am looking for to inform and yet approve.

Ms. Yukimura: I am thinking back, and maybe Jade can remember, I think legally—I do not think approval is needed once a position is created. I think that was the major source of contention between me as Mayor and the County Council. We can say that if you do not...

Chair Furfaro: JoAnn, if I may, that is my problem.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes, I understand the problem.

Chair Furfaro: If by putting the authority in with the exception of the pieces that we cannot do because State needs to act quickly, then we are going to send this to the County Attorney. If we do not get approval on this then we need to talk about removing the Dollar Funded positions.

Ms. Yukimura: Right.

Chair Furfaro: I would rather have them come and ask for a Money Bill.

Ms. Yukimura: It actually is about the level of trust between the Council in various department heads. If we dollar fund something then are we not saying this is needed but we recognize that—we are more concerned about morphing these positions or moving them, right?

Chair Furfaro: That is right. We approve a position for one reason but it goes through so many changes and comes out on the other end.

Ms. Yukimura: I think we could just say if they do that often, that particular department does not get anymore Dollar Funded Positions. That maybe the same thing you are saying.

Chair Furfaro: I will be fine with the positions that are in the Dollar if we could have the Attorney look at this verbiage. But one way or the other, this Council has to have a little bit more control over what we put in the Budget for the rationale given to us, then it goes through metamorphosis and becomes something else. Are we all good with that? I want to do all this payroll stuff before we go to lunch. Jade, please note that we are going to leave all of the Dollar Funded Positions in there but we need to send this piece to the County Attorney. May I just have all those in favor of the Dollar Funded Positions remaining at this point in the Budget until we have consultation with the County Attorney?

By unanimous vote, the Dollar-Funded positions not previously amended were approved.



Chair Furfaro: Now, let us go to the Bulk Overtime. I want to thank the Finance Department in particular. We send over a list of requests by departments on the overtime and we have a schedule, which I gave out in the packet. It came to \$195,000.00 of changes that were made in the Budget, almost \$200,000.00. That was agreed that we would take out from the Budget, from most departments, 7% of what they budgeted in overtime; with the exception of Fire and Police, we took out 3.5%. For the Council, we took out 15% to demonstrate the way. But in reality, I am going to have an amendment for you folks. I should not have applied the 15% to our Elections Office because it is an election year. With that exception, that is what I would like to talk about. We would like to take out the exception for Elections and leave Council Services in at 15%. We are showing all of the numbers which Wally, you folks worked on us, which came to the \$195,000.00 that is in the schedule. Again, if you folks are okay with the one change I want to make for Elections, I will just need a voice vote on this. Is there any discussion?

Ms. Nakamura: Yes. I would like to make one amendment to this and I thank you, Chair, for putting this all together. First of all, I want clarification because in the Mayor's supplemented budget, there was a reduction for overtime.

Chair Furfaro: Yes. It is this schedule.

Ms. Nakamura: This is the schedule?

Chair Furfaro: Yes. I prepared the schedule. They did it. Wally folks did it. It is reflected in the Budget. The only error that is reflected is that I also took 15% out of Elections but I want to put it back.

Ms. Nakamura: I would like to make a request to reinstall the overtime for Parks & Recreation. I want to make it for a very specific purpose. That purpose is to increase two hours at Waimea and Kapa'a Pools during the summer break for children. Just as a parent, I go down there to take my kids and at 4:30 p.m. on a summer afternoon, the pool is shut down. There is a lot of daytime hour left and there are very few activities for kids during the summer. My initial attempt was to add on to the pool hours. My research showed when talking to the Parks & Recreation Department, it would result in increasing two positions. I really want to go there in the future but the first step would be to do some overtime for our pool workers at both pools, just during the summer break, get some information on how the usage is, and whether we could move to eventually furthering of the hours. They believe right now that if we open the pool until 8:30 p.m. at night, it would be well used. After work, a lot of people can use it. We have the resource but we are not putting the man power into it. My request would be to line item that for "Pool Extended Hours during the Summer Break."

Chair Furfaro: I do want to say that I am a very active swimmer and a pool man. I have some concerns about the operational hours. I have been in there and they have got a lot of staff in the morning and no one in the afternoon. Then they modify the staff to accommodate swim clubs and so forth, and then they close the pool. I have been swimming in Kapa'a for ten years. I am going to support for what you are asking for but I do not think they have a real good plan in place to manage our pool operations. I also want to point out that this is an addition to us by just adding six part-time lifeguards. They do not mix pool lifeguards with ocean lifeguards. I just want to make sure that we are all aware of that. It is a strange mixture with certain lifeguards reporting to the Parks Department and other lifeguards reporting to the Fire Department. I am going to approve this but there are parts there that need to be worked out. Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: First, I would like to thank Councilmember Nakamura for bringing this subject up because I cannot think of a better thing to do to keep those pools open in the daylight hours, at least in the summer time. The cost benefit analysis would be huge. I am not clear that putting \$6,500.00 back into the overtime Budget will accomplish that goal. We might need to amend the overtime Budget and give them additional for the pool. Will they do it—have you had that conversation with them?

Chair Furfaro: Before I answer that, that conversation has to be in front of the whole Council. I encourage what you just said should happen. I am going to tell you, in my experience, to give them money but they close the pool but they are doing training. We have to have a discussion with them about specifically what that extra money is for.

Mr. Bynum: (No audio)...

Chair Furfaro: I want you to know that you have done better than me over ten years. Mr. Chang.

Mr. Chang: I just want to say I think that is brilliant. I think it is an unbelievable no-brainer just because of the fact that it is still 8:30 p.m. it is still warm. The water temperature is maybe 75 or maybe more. I think that it is all exercise and it is an incredible point to bring up. With Waimea and Kapa'a, what better thing to do than to be at the pool, especially at 6, 6:30, 7, or 7:30. It is not cold and the kids are exercising. I think it is beneficial and healthy. I think it is a great idea and I am actually bummed out that I did not think of that.

Chair Furfaro: Before you give yourself too much credit about brilliant idea, here is the brilliant idea. We do it a straight time. We started it six years ago when the request first came up for nighttime pool swimming. We hired enough staff. That is brilliant. This is just to accomplish it on over time. I am very serious. I have had so many discussions about the pool in Kapa'a being open late and having discussions for seniors that need swimming equipment in the pool. I would say this is a great idea. Brilliant is doing it at straight time.

Mr. Chang: I think it is great.

Chair Furfaro: Can I recognize the Finance Director.

Mr. Rezendes: Hearing this discussion, where the County Council wants to go with this matter, my concern on this side is that I do want to make sure we are giving the Parks Department the necessary tools to accomplish what you are saying. I am not sure if there has been enough discussion with Parks to determine if the number is \$6,500.00. I think \$6,500.00 for the whole summer—we may not have enough money there to accomplish that goal. If the intention of the Council is to extend the hours for the summer, we should define those days and the months and get back to our guys.

Chair Furfaro: That is why I said, we are going to have them come back to the whole body. We are going to put the money in the Budget but we are going to hear from Parks on how we really could accomplish it. Does it all have to be on overtime? How do we get the operation more secure? They close the pool in Kapa'a when Fire has training. They close another day of the week when there is a holiday. The idea is to have late swimming and we need a plan but for short-term, I think what we are saying is we want to move on putting another \$6,500.00 in for over time. Then we will have in a regular Council Meeting, discussion with the Parks Department.  
Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I just have to say this because it has been a long-term frustration, I know, for the Chair. When we furloughed school kids and we furloughed, we closed the pool on furlough days. I could not get the Administration to say, "Can we not close it on a Tuesday instead of Friday when the kids are out of school?" The things you are talking about; people show up with their swimsuits to the pool and they find out that it is closed that day. Anyway, this is great. We can accomplish it. Let us do it.

Chair Furfaro: This is a great discussion. If we are going to use the pool, the pool is closed the public on Monday and everybody knows that. Then Monday is when the Fire Department needs to do their training. It is simple as that. Councilwoman Nakamura.

Ms. Nakamura: I wish we could have a more detailed discussion in the Parks & Recreation Department.

Chair Furfaro: That is what we are going to do.

Ms. Nakamura: I am not sure how you want to handle it here...

Chair Furfaro: I want to get the money in the Budget, and then have the discussion.

Ms. Nakamura: I would like to share with you some of the discussions that I have had with Lenny Rapozo and the (inaudible) Manager. We will do that in the discussion on Monday or Tuesday.

Chair Furfaro: When that time comes, I am saying to you, I do not want to do in Budget. I want them on the front here because everything you are going to tell me, I heard three times already in ten years. "How do we close the pools when we had kids out of school?" We have got to be community service minded in our Parks & Recreation area and I think there is a new window here. But that is a Council Agenda discussion in the near future. That is what I would do. I would also support the \$6,500.00 for now. Mr. Chang.

Mr. Chang: Thank you, Chairman. I have no questions or comments. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: So procedurally, yes, I am very excited about this idea. Are we moving first to accept the...

Chair Furfaro: Yes. I was just talking to them and they fixed the spreadsheets. We have a couple of things that we have done that I want to close here. I am getting it up on the screen.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay. Are we waiting for the revised sheets?

Chair Furfaro: I am waiting to find out if there are any more questions about the Dollar Funded Positions and the overtime. The Dollar Funded is done. Any more discussion on the overtime? Just the \$6,500.00 adjustment.

Ms. Yukimura: And then Elections?

Chair Furfaro: Yes. Okay. That is what we are doing. Is that Ashley over there? Ashley, I cannot see the screen but the first thing we need to do is put up the changes on the Overtime for Elections. Is that up there? Does everybody see the number up for Elections, putting back the \$11,000.00 overtime for Elections?

Ms. Yukimura: Was it 11 or 5?

Chair Furfaro: \$11,250.00. That is right. Okay. Is there further discussion on this addition in Elections? If not, all those in favor of this change, signify by saying aye.

The motion to increase the Elections Division Overtime Line Item by \$11,250.00 was then put, and unanimously carried.

Chair Furfaro: Now let us do the Parks Department. Before we go to that particular one, we are going to go to the County Clerk, Council Services. We are going to adjust this by reducing overtime by \$3,600.00 or 15%. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

The motion to reduce Council Services Overtime Line Item by \$3,600.00 was then put, and unanimously carried.

Chair Furfaro: Now we want to do the overtime in Parks, which is an addition. That is \$6,500.00.

Ms. Nakamura: Chair, this would be \$6,580.00 and it is specific to the recreation.

Chair Furfaro: Recreation pools.

Ms. Nakamura: Yes. Recreation pools. Thank you.

Ms. Nakamura moved to increase the Overtime Line Item for Recreation-Pools by adding \$6,580.00, seconded by Mr. Bynum. The motion to increase the Overtime Line Item for Recreation Pools was then put, and unanimously carried.

Chair Furfaro: We have one more item. I believe we can do it before we break for lunch. Councilmember Nakamura.

Ms. Nakamura: I would also like to propose that the Auditor's Office overtime be reduced by more than the \$700.00 that is being reflected here. This is the rationale. Look the at Prosecutor Attorney's Office. With all the employees they have there, their proposed time is \$10,000.00. The Auditor's Office with five employees has a \$10,000.00 overtime Budget. I believe that there are much more time sensitive needs on the Prosecuting Attorney's Office than there is on the Auditor's Office. I think this year's overtime was in the \$5,000.00 range. I would like to increase the reduction to \$4,300.00.

Ms. Nakamura moved to reduce the overtime Line Item in the Auditor's Office by \$4,300.00, seconded by Mr. Kualii. The motion to reduce the Overtime Line Item in the Auditor's Office by \$4,300.00 was then put, and unanimously carried.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Now we have covered the overtime, the Dollar Funded Positions, and the new positions. I am going to hit the mallet here in a second. This part of our discussion is closed.

There being no objection, the meeting was recessed at 1:42 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 3:05 p.m., and proceeded as follows:

Chair Furfaro: Okay. There are a couple of quick announcements here for everyone. We have got a total on the changes we have made so far. One of the particular pieces I have asked Jade to look at is; although it did not come over in the Budget recommendations for May 8 and the resubmittal, we had changes made in the positions for the Fire Chief, Police Chief, and two Deputys in the Police Department. That has not come to us a new Salary Commission Review to be voted on. I think it would be wise for us for the purposes of the Budget to reflect those recommendations. I do not want to get into a whole discussion about one week we have got the ? in May going this way and the other time we have got the date specific going this way and so forth. This is about Budget. This is not about the County Attorney's opinion. This is making sure we have those resources in the right place in the financial portions. I would just like to ask this one question and I would like to vote on it. Do you want to include, in this Budget piece that we are doing right now, the last and latest recommendations that were made by the Salary Commission? If you do not, then I want you to be prepared to have an Agenda item on some future Council Meeting to vote on that item. You can make it where the vote is to take it out because we put it in the Budget or the vote can be added back in because we did not put it in the Budget. Those are your two choices. I am going to ask that we at least have a vote that says we put in the last recommendations from the Salary Commission. If you vote no, that is your choice. I do not care. I just want us to have an understanding of where we are at.

Ms. Yukimura: I am not even remembering actual communication from the Salary Commission. Did they actually send...

Chair Furfaro: No. They have not communicated with us but they did vote on the recommendations that were made. They increased 4 of the 14 recommendations. We have not seen that come over and we have not voted on that yet. I just want to vote for the purpose of the Budget. I think it is better to remove it because it is in versus to come back and add it because we agreed to it.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay. But it is not in right now so you are proposing to put it in.

Chair Furfaro: Again, let me disclose that one more time. Because we voted on the added positions, the actions of the Salary Commission were not in the March 15 piece, are in the May 8 piece, but were not reported on the add line that we just voted on.

Ms. Yukimura: Chair, it does not have to be from the Salary Commission, it is from the Police Commission, right?

Chair Furfaro: No. It is the Salary Commission Recommendations that of the 14 positions that they met on; they bumped the Fire Chief, they bumped the Police Chief, and the two Police Deputies. Okay. It is in the May submittal. It is not on the list we saw with added positions. I want to know where you guys want to go because I want to close the door on this subject.

Mr. Kualii: Chair, what do you mean about added positions? It only said positions with higher rates.

Chair Furfaro: Yes. But if there were rates that were changed, they did not show up anywhere.

Mr. Kualii: But it is still not a new position?

Chair Furfaro: No. So I used the wrong terminology. What I am saying is that we have never voted on the resolution.

Mr. Kualii: If the Mayor put it in the Budget, he also put in the money in the Budget to pay for it.

Chair Furfaro: In May 8, yes.

Mr. Kualii: Okay.

Chair Furfaro: But it did not show up anywhere. I just want to make sure you are clear. I want a vote not on approving because it needs to come to us. I just want a vote on the fact that you know it is being reflected there. Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: So, the bottom line is that the final decision will come later, right?

Chair Furfaro: Final decision on the whole Budget will be coming later but I want to include it in the new position salary schedule that we have right now so we know it is in there, even though we did not vote on the resolution.

Mr. Bynum: I am sorry, I am confused.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Let me go over this one time. No interruptions and no waving hands. I need everybody's attention. On March 15, the Mayor submitted a Budget that did not show or reflect the last actions by the Salary Commission. For the May Budget that he submitted to us shows the last actions recommended by the Salary Commission. I want to make sure that we have that clear because we have not voted on that yet. I do not want any miscommunication that by voting on the Mayor's Budget for these new rates, that we are approving what has not come over to us yet. I do not want anyone to say, "Yes, but you voted on it during Budget time." No, we have not even seen the final resolution yet. I am just disclosing to you folks that of the 14 positions were reviewed, there were 4 changes. It was the Fire Chief, Police Chief, and the two Police Deputies which is in the Mayor's May 8 Budget. But I still hope we can reserve our right to vote on that by being aware of it now, by disclosing it now, which what is in the Budget is what the Salary Commission sent over, but we did not take action on it.

Mr. Bynum: So, the 4 positions are Police Chief, Fire Chief...

Chair Furfaro: And two Deputy Police.

Mr. Bynum: There is only one Deputy Police Chief, right?

Chair Furfaro: I think there are two positions. There were four positions that were approved.

Mr. Bynum: But not the Deputy Fire Chief?

Chair Furfaro: Well, to save all confusion, I can tell Ernie to take out what we have not approved and then do a Budget modification when it comes over. Or, we can leave it in there with the disclosure that says, "We have not voted on what the particulars are." If you are expecting me to remember everything that I have seen and every correspondence, please forgive me because I cannot do it. I just want to make sure you understand what we are voting on in this Budget has those four positions.

Mr. Bynum: Part of the implications is that taking it out now would make it—because adding it will—(inaudible) to take in the Salary Budget is four vote. That has implications there too.

Chair Furfaro: That is what I am saying. I do not want anybody to interpret and say, "Well, we have it in our Budget and you approved it." What I want to make sure is that it is in the Budget and it stays in the Budget but we still reserve the right to vote on it when it finally comes over.

Mr. Bynum: For what it is worth, my preference would be to take it out now and add it later if necessary.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. That is not my preference but...Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Rapozo: Now we see the importance of the March 15 deadline because not we are in a situation where it affects the Budget. I do not believe we have the authority to post a higher salary than has been approved. I would agree that we need to restore that back to the March 15 submittal and if it should pass out of this Council, the recommendations; then we need to do a Budget modification.

Chair Furfaro: Again, I disagree with you. I think it is better, since we are dealing with the Budget...and I had the same argument or even stronger argument when we voted on this that March 15 is a date specific need. This is why. I am trying to disclose to you folks how you want to handle it. I am for leaving it in and if the Salary Commission piece fails for some reason with five votes then it comes out. If the Salary Commission recommendation is affirmed, then we have to go back and modify the Budget later. We have had enough discussion on it. I am just trying to disclose it so you folks heard from me.

Ms. Yukimura: I appreciate you raising it, I was not even aware of the issue. Excuse my ignorance. I think it is cleaner because when we are voting for this, our Budget—it is inconsistent that the salaries have not been set officially and properly, yet it is in the Budget that way. I think it cleaner to remove it and then to amend it afterwards if the Salary Ordinance is affirmed.

Chair Furfaro: Any further discussion before I call for a vote on that. We know that if we do not agree for that for the purpose of Budgeting, that we are going to ask them to take those recent raises that have not reached us yet; we are going to take it out of the Budget and deal with it as a separate item. This would be a very good case study for why the "shall by March 15" is mandatory. Very good. We are going to pose the question and this is how I would like to pose it. Mr. Chang, maybe you could do it this way. Without having voted on the salary resolution, the recent salary resolution, that we will not put anything in the Budget that they recommended.

Mr. Chang: Without voting on the recent salary resolution, we will take those raises out of this Budget.

Ms. Yukimura: Second.

Chair Furfaro: Yes. And handle it when it comes over from the Salary Commission. And we have a second. Any further discussion before I call for the vote?

Mr. Rapozo: I have a question. This can be a long distance question. If we could get the positions that were altered from March 15...

Chair Furfaro: Wally, here is our question. We believe that there were 4 of the 12 positions recently recommended by the Salary Commission to have increases. We believe one was the Fire Chief, one was the Police Chief, and...

Mr. Rezentos: Yes. The Police Chief, Fire Chief, Fire Deputy, and Police Deputy.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. It was the two Deputies, so I was right. But what I am saying is this is now reflected in the Budget before we voted on it. I posed the question to the group, "Should we leave what was approved in the Salary Commission in the Budget without us taking action or should we take it out now?" This is the whole piece on the date specific question by March 15 which they did not act on. I think I am hearing around the table that we are going to take out about \$15,000.00 right now, that if we vote on the Salary Commission's recommendation, one way or the other we will put it back in later. That is where we are at. Is that what I understand from members? Okay. Now we know the importance of March 15. I would like to call for a motion and a second to reflect in the Budget right now the previous salaries for the Police Chief, Fire Chief, and two Deputies until it actually gets voted on when the resolution comes to the Council. Let us do a roll call vote.

The motion to reflect in the Budget are the previous salaries for the Police Chief, Fire Chief, and two Deputies until it actually gets voted on when the salary resolution comes to the Council was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR MOTION: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-7,
AGAINST MOTION: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. The next area that I would like to go into—and I want to make sure we have closed Payroll for now on the following areas; Added Positions, Dollar Funded Positions pending the correct version of a proviso, and the amended overtime on these positions. Right now, we are dealing with the Council's discussion items which include allowing 20 minutes for each Councilmember to go around the table on their concerns before we get into the other operating departments. We are not going back to visit the new positions and the overtime issues. That is all behind us. The Mayor's Office is behind us. We have two Council questions to uphold and I would like to know in what order members would like to go with the 20 minutes. Does anybody want to be last? Mr. KipuKai, Mr. Bynum. Mr. KipuKai, I am going to recognize Mr. Bynum's seniority. He will go last; you will go second to last. Now, is there any discussion at this point about replenishing the reserve? I am following the Agenda I put up. Is there any discussion about replenishing the reserves? Mr. Rapozo then followed by Vice- Chair Yukimura.

Mr. Rapozo: Based on the current numbers that were provided, we are at 16.8% of last year's General Fund Expenditures. Our Budget resolution says 20% to 25%. The Budget Ordinance has been written with a proviso that basically decreases it. Reality trumps the resolution because the Budget is an Ordinance versus the resolution. I am still hoping that we can find some money later on. I am satisfied with the 16.8% and I am not going to make a big issue



of it but I am still looking for some funds to try to get that reserve up to 20% but that will not be the deal breaker for me.

Chair Furfaro: Vice- Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: At \$16.8 million, we are at 15%?

Mr. Rapozo: 16.8%.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay, we are at 16.8%. And how much is that in money?

Mr. Rapozo: \$21 million I believe.

Chair Furfaro: Wally, you want to offer her that number?

Mr. Rezendes: Based on the May 8 Budget, the reserve would be \$21,345,835.00.

Ms. Yukimura: That is at 16.8%?

Mr. Rezendes: Correct.

Ms. Yukimura: We had it in last year's Budget at what percent?

Mr. Rezendes: \$25,877,077.00.

Ms. Yukimura: You have that by memory. That was what percentage?

Mr. Rezendes: I believe that was at 22%.

Ms. Yukimura: That was around 22%. Did we use any of it?

Mr. Rezendes: No.

Chair Furfaro: Wally, let me summarize this real quick. It was 22% based on the Denver piece. Of that, 50% of it could be used for various issues from the Administration by coming in front of us. In other words, that would be 12.5 million of that 25 they could come to us to use. 6.25 million of that would be set-aside for immediate emergencies. These are dollars. Which represents 25% of the total. 3.7 million with coming in front of the Council or 15% could be used for excessive costs on items that were budgeted for. 2.5 million or 10% could be used for emergencies that come up in the course of the year for the year. That is how the breakdown would be. That is only by resolution that copies Denver. The question before us today is—because we actually only have until the end of the year to convert that resolution into an Ordinance. If not, that resolution expires. The question in front of us right now, based on...Wally, you told us we had 22 left?

Mr. Rezendes: Based on the May 8 submittal, \$21,347,835.00.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. That is what we have it at. Do we want to have any discussion about replenishing that reserve at this point? Councilmember Nakamura.

Ms. Nakamura: I just wanted to say that I think I am very happy this supplemental Budget is increased in amount taken away from the reserve. By adding an additional \$4 million, we are now in a better position and I think that is a good thing. I am comfortable with the range in this proviso, maybe because the 15% to 20% range; I am okay with the lower percentage mainly because I think we tend to over-Budget and (inaudible) cushion in there so I am comfortable.

Chair Furfaro: My level of comfort is based on the financial picture of the State too. If we had something happening, how quick could they respond to us for assistance? All of their accounts are (inaudible). There is no reserve. Is there anybody wanting to know about replenishing the reserve during this Budget time?

Mr. Bynum: Yes. I have a response and I asked staff to put something up on the board. I am feeling really distraught internally right now because I am so frustrated with this whole topic. Let me just say, the reserve that we are talking about right now is a real budgetary number. But it is not a real number. And I know everybody is tired of hearing this from me. We should make these major financial decisions based on real actual numbers from our Audited Budget Report.

Chair Furfaro: Before you go with a presentation, I just want to make sure you understand. The question I put in the outline is, "Does anybody want to replenish this?" It is agreeable and do we have an ordinance and when we refine these other pieces, Mr. Bynum, I do not disagree with your concern. But the question is that we have used some of it and do we want to have discussion about replenishing it. That is the question. I will give you six minutes according to our rules for your presentation.

Mr. Bynum: Again, these numbers are the General Fund Balance minus Committed and Restricted Funds. These are our last few years. We started this Fiscal Year with a 41%, not 15% or 20%; 41%. Those are real numbers. The point I am trying to make is that if we agree to this for a budgetary figure that is fine. But in order to do some of the things we all want to do, that budgetary number may end up at 12% or 9%. That does not mean our reserve fund is 9%. That is a budgetary figure. This is the real figure. At the end of this Fiscal Year, we will see if we came down from 41 but I can guarantee you, we are not going to come below 35%. I said at the beginning of this meeting that whatever we put into the Budget is fine. I am going to ask for tax reform in some other positions. That will make that budgetary number go down from the 16% (inaudible). Maybe it will go down as low as 12%. I will be fine with that because those numbers are budgetary numbers. These are the real numbers. For the last ten seconds, we all know that from 2008 to 2011 has been a down economy. We grew our surplus during the down economy. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: I just want to pose a question again to you folks. I want to make sure you all understand. Until we have an ordinance, all of it is a surplus. End of story. It is all a surplus until we have a Budget Ordinance that becomes law and this is where we are going to apply it to. Now, the question on the table is not going back to charts and so forth. Is there anybody here that wants to talk about any kind of replenishment for what we earmarked? Go ahead, Vice-Chair.

Ms. Yukimura: If we put a proviso in this Budget Ordinance, then there will be an ordinance guiding the reserve?

Chair Furfaro: We have to still create it. It is in there as part of the Budget Ordinance as a proviso. But what I am saying what we really need to step this up is an ordinance.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay. Basically, what you are saying is that we need an enabling ordinance that sets up the reserve officially. And we follow through with our budgetary numbers, accordingly.

Chair Furfaro: That is one of the reasons that the Denver piece was used because it was quite generous in allowing the Administration to tap at least 50% of what they felt they needed by coming to the Council. That is the only reason we followed the Denver Ordinance.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes. I think it is a good model. I feel comfortable with it. That Denver model said 22% as the limit.

Chair Furfaro: Of which half of that could be used by the Administration in the event of an emergency.

Ms. Yukimura: I do not see any need to replenish the reserve at this time. I actually see some leeway or flexibility for even...depending on what our budgetary decision making comes to. Maybe even lowering the reserve one or two million.

Chair Furfaro: Bingo. You get the whole thing. That is why we are asking the question now because we do not know what the outcome will be and if we start to spend some or do something with the reserve, there will have to be a question about lowering it.

Ms. Yukimura: Right.

Chair Furfaro: That is why I put it in the order that I did.

Ms. Yukimura: The question you first asked is, "Do we want to bring it up again?" There seems to be a consensus that we can live with it right now and then we are going to look at our Budget and see where else we need to go. I understand. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Good summary. Mr. Kualii.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I can live with it for now because like Councilmember Rapozo and Nakamura said, in the March submittal when it was 10-15% and when the Administration was using 10.5 million of the reserve to cover operating expenses; I was very uncomfortable with that. When they have come back, they put 6 million of that back into the reserve.

Chair Furfaro: Wait, they put 6 million back in the reserve because they only used 4.

Mr. Kualii: They changed it to 15-20%. And I am okay with that for now, but what I am especially interested in is that when we move forward and refine this, you might just need to clarify and separate out those categories. Because reserve, reserve, reserve, surplus, extra money; we really have 51 million versus different figures. That stems to the idea that amount of money that now becomes available because we did not use it according to the Budget for next year's Budget. That is one kind of reserve surplus. The other kind of reserve which I think is more important and that we have to be very clear about, and put it aside and leave it aside; is the Rainy Day Fund type of reserve for the emergencies and whatever. But instead of putting it all in one pot and allowing 50% to be used for working capital and operating expenses, make two pots. Have one be very specific for a Rainy Day Fund; emergency. Then Councilmember Bynum can argue

all he wants about the pot that is surplus and reserve and fight with the Administration. But the separate part of the reserve for Rainy Day Funds; I want to see protected.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Kualii, and all members; the importance of having an ordinance covers that. That is what we have been waiting for. Let us make sure we understand my comment. We have a proviso that talks about the guidelines for a reserve. But there are two separate definitions of reserve versus a surplus. Until we have an ordinance, it is all really surplus. So I am back to the question, is anybody interested in replenishing the reserve fund at this point? It is going to come up again in the end. It looks like we are not. Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: In June or July, there will be a reserve ordinance put before the Council. It just goes back to staffing. We cannot have staff prepared for Budget and...

Chair Furfaro: We better have one by December 1 (inaudible) can use it all. Because it will be a new term for the Council. This policy right now is only good for the period that the current body voted on.

Mr. Bynum: June or July.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. We will look forward to that. Next item. Is there any discussion about paying down debt? We owe \$118 million in debt. Is there any discussion on that?

Mr. Rapozo: Mr. Chair, just to confirm that there is a movement to refinance that debt, right?

Chair Furfaro: Yes. They are going tentatively to the end of May.

Mr. Rapozo: I am satisfied with that.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Now we will go into a discussion and potential proposals that might come up from various Councilmembers, before we go into reviewing the operating departments. By our rules, I will give you 20 minutes to make your presentation and discussion. If you are going to use less, Mr. Chang, then you had your one shot at it. I want to make sure we are talking in terms of items that before we get into the operating discussions, members have had an opportunity to talk about this. Is there any member that would like to go first? Mr. Rapozo has the floor.

Mr. Rapozo: I will go first. Is my clock started? Can you let me know when I have two minutes left? I may not even use the 20 minutes. While I was absent, and I understand the Law Office Assistant position was removed in that session; I just wanted to clarify that that position was the position that we had approved on April 4 here on the County Council. And on April 15, that position had been filled. With the removal of that position, unfortunately that warm body will have to be laid off.

Chair Furfaro: Why did it appear on the new position list?

Mr. Rapozo: I do not know, that should not have been on the list.

Chair Furfaro: The discussion, so that we are very clear, is there is...no, I want to make sure you were not here. That was your choice. The fact of the matter is there is a surplus in that account and it showed up as a new position, not as a position we approved in the year for the year.

Mr. Rapozo: I just wanted to make that point because we had just had the discussion. Like I said, April 4 was the approval, April 15 was the personnel go ahead, and then the person was hired. There is a person in that position.

Chair Furfaro: Well, we previously approved it. The discussion was that it was a new position.

Mr. Rapozo: I respected your instruction to not go back but I am using my own time. I just wanted everybody to...

Chair Furfaro: Let me put a P.S. on that. This is the only time we will use your absence to go back. But you needed a full disclosure on what had come up.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you. Realizing my time is running, I just want to say that a lot of the issues that I had on my list here; we had covered already. The reserve account was one of them. My original intent was to replenish that back to 20%. I am satisfied with the 16.8 and I appreciate the Administration. I like it the way you said, Mr. Chair. They put it in, they just did not take as much. We are down to 16.8. In H.R., we have had that discussion. As far as property taxes, I am not supporting the raising of taxes unless it is absolutely necessary. I still believe we can find some areas of access. I am still trying to figure out what we need to be removing to accommodate that balance Budget without having to raise taxes. As far as the reserve, I am not supportive of any reduction of that reserve balance. That 16.8 is the lowest that I will go. That is a struggle for me but like I said, that is not a deal breaker. I would not support dipping into that surplus any further. I would recommend everyone to read the proviso because I think it is quite clear in the proviso, as far as what that can be used and why it was set up. As we go through the departments, and some of these are shared by other Councilmembers and if it were initiated by another Councilmember; I am not going to repeat it. I will let them discuss it. I have asked staff to separate, and I see the list for me, but the C.I.P. Budget includes a lot of equipment purchases. If you look at the Charter, it is pretty clear what the Budget requires. It requires an Operating Budget and a Capital Budget. The Capital Budget should only include Capital Programs, not Capital Projects or equipment. The reason I want to see it back into those departments—again, it goes through the six month funding. When the Administration comes across with a six month funding line item, it really deceives the public into thinking that department has less expenses when in fact, it may not be true. It is the same with the equipment. If we are approving a million dollars worth of equipment that is going to go into Public Works, that should be reflected in the Operating Budget and not the Capital Improvement Budget because it is very difficult to differentiate where those expenses should be allocated to. I am going to asking for an amendment to move all of the equipment into the appropriate departments. I hope I can get your support. Also, the cost of this equipment—I know there is \$5 million worth of equipment. Of course, it is spread into five years so we are looking at five years. I do not know what is really needed and what is not needed but that is one source of revenue we can tap into. I am not saying take it all but if we could tap about \$500,000.00, let the Administration prioritize the equipment purchase or leases that they need. That is a source of revenue that I believe can be used instead of the reserve. We have dealt with the overtime costs. Although I was absent, I appreciate those discussions and that the actions were taken. There were a couple of positions that I am very interested in suggesting. One of them is the K.P.D. Records Clerk. I believe that is long overdue. I believe K.P.D. is entitled and they should have a records clerk because they are falling behind. That records clerk was not put into the Budget and I believe it was converted to an I.D. Tech. When we get to the K.P.D. section I am going to asking that that be put back. As I discussed during the Budget presentations, the Senior Legal Advisor; I did pass out the position sheets on that. That is another position that I am seeking for your support. Obviously, with what has occurred with the Kaua'i Police Department of recent months, I believe with what they do they should have a Senior Legal Advisor. This is not to replace

the County Attorney as I mentioned in the presentation. It is to advise the day to day of the Kaua'i Police Department and work in conjunction...bigger layers on between the County Attorney and the department. I believe that Honolulu Police Department has that and it works well. That is one position I would suggest we put in as well as one Assistant Chief for Kaua'i Fire Department. I think the Fire Chief made his case when he mentioned how the department has grown and that he has very limited resources in the upper echelon leadership. Unlike many of the administrative departments that we see, the Fire Department really does not have that high level branch of leadership that I would definitely support. For the Driver's Licensing Division, I had an opportunity to meet with some of the employees there. They are going through some really tough times as far as staffing. There are new additional duties laid on them with the new requirements by the State and Federal laws. We definitely need to look at that. This is a plea and maybe I do not have the specifics enough to determine what needs to be put in there but more importantly, it is a plea to the Finance Department to give those people some help. We need to start looking at taking care of our line personnel. The line personnel. We saw the accountant come in here during the presentation. She fell apart. It was similar with Driver's Licensing. We need to start paying more attention to our line personnel as opposed to the upper level management. We can have all the management, leaders, and EM 5, 7, and 3, and all of that but if we do not have the line people on the ground doing the work, our results are not going to get any different. I talked about the equipment purchases in the C.I.P. Budget. I will be talking about the host community benefit funding increase. It is not going to be a million dollars but I did have a chat with the Chair yesterday. He has a formula that I think I could live with and I will let him explain that when we get to that point. I think it is a fair, reasonable, and objective method that I am looking forward to supporting. The other issue and again, more of a plea for Driver's Licensing D.M.V.; those workers need to have some kind of windows put up. I do not know if that kind of funding is going to be available but that is on my list. We have to make sure that our workers are safe. They need to be safe from bacteria, safe from germs, safe from motorcycle helmets. These are things that have occurred to these workers. They deserve to be protected. If we have to include safety funds to fortify their positions, I do not know what they call it...plexiglass is all they are asking for. We do not need bullet proof funding. The C.I.P. Civiler Patrol funding was cut by the Administration in half. I would like to restore that back to \$30,000.00. That would be an increase of \$15,000.00 to keep those aircrafts in the air. They have been stopped because of the State funding. The funding for the Federal Operations for rescue and warning, those are all covered by the Federal Government but the training flights are not. The State does not have the resources. Yes, we should not be coming to the rescue for every issue in the State but when we rely on them, they show up. But if we cannot get the pilots in the air training and flying during "peace time", it causes more of a problem for us when we really need them. I am hoping we can reinstate that funding; the \$15,000.00. Also, some T.V.R. enforcement. What I did not see in here—in fact I think I saw a cut here, funding for T.V.R. enforcement. We heard the dialogue during the Planning presentation they really want to enforce the T.V.R. laws. I know Councilmember Nadine Nakamura is going to be making a proposal which I am fully going to support and I hope the rest of you will too. I think it is important that we pass good laws but we also have to enforce good laws. If KipuKai Kualii could close his ears for a little bit, I want to also restore the funding for the Y.W.C.A. I noticed that got cut as well for 50%. I believe it was 50% for the Sexual Assault Treatment Programs. That is one of the things I strongly suggest we continue. They provide a valuable service to our people, victims, and also the perpetrators. I think that funding should continue and I am hoping we can get the support to get that done. As far as Property Taxes, I do not know where we will be because I have not heard what the other Councilmembers are considering. As you can see, aside from a couple of positions, my requests are small stuff. I do not anticipate having to dip into any reserves for that. I do want to make sure the people understand that we are in some tough times and for the public, everybody is struggling right now. Businesses are struggling, they really are. We may see a little hint of recovery here and there but overall when you look at the big picture for the island of Kaua'i, a lot of people...that was my ten minutes?

Chair Furfaro:

Yes. But I am giving everyone 20.

Mr. Rapozo: That was only ten?

Chair Furfaro: That is ten. I am giving everybody 20.

Mr. Rapozo: You are generous. Mr. Chair, I am not going to use up 20 minutes. I went through my list already. I am going to summarize by saying that I believe we as a Council have an opportunity. This is our only shot during the year that we have an opportunity to change the direction that this County is headed. This is the one shot that we have and we need to take that seriously. We need to make sure that we think things out. I really like the discussion that we have had so far. Mr. Chair, I really appreciate your leadership and the way we have done the Budget. There are many firsts that we have seen and I appreciate that. I appreciate the dialogue even though we do not always agree. The ability to be able to actually voice our positions and our opinions in an environment that is relatively safe, I really appreciate that. I am anxious to listen to other Councilmembers and I will not use any more time. Thank you very much.

Chair Furfaro: I do want to make sure that everybody understands. I am giving you this time now to make your concerns known so when we get to things like the landfill, you make the pitch then about the C.A.C. and not a lot of dialogue again. We understand it now. Thank you for the comments on the organization. Councilmember Nakamura, you wanted to go next.

Ms. Nakamura: Chair, I would like to make my comments as we go through the Budget. They are very specific recommendations and I will be introducing amendments at that time so I am going—in the interest time I would like to move it on.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. I will note that. Again, I want to say, as we are trying to go through the new format, the clock is still at the end there. Anyone want to go next? Mr. Bynum, he has a presentation in his 20 minutes.

Mr. Bynum: I do not think I am going to take 20 minutes because we are going to go through the Budget and I will make those things. One the top of my list is Y.W.C.A. so we will be in agreement about that. The child family service is a small amount. They do summer fun preschool but missed the Budget because of changes in their staff there. I am going to be asking for \$15,000.00 to continue that because they were only going to be able to go through halfway through the summer. There are Repair and Maintenance items in the Building Division that were cut by the Administration. A couple of them are big ticket but important. The K.P.D. building roof is leaking and it needs to be repaired but that money was cut from the Budget. It is \$200,000.00. The same is for the Kekaha Landfill. These are roofs that are currently leaking. If there is no money in the Budget, they will not get repaired this year. There is a smaller amount, \$15,000.00, for island-wide chain link fencing repairs. They will not have the materials—most of it is done in house but the materials were cut. This is a big ticket item for the Lihū'e Civic Center chillers replacement. That was not included in the Budget. They are over ten years old. By replacing them, it will increase energy efficiency in that building. That is something we need to look at. There is a difference between C.I.P. money and position money. In terms of positions, I am seeking the Council's consideration for a Property Technical Officer in Real Property. That is a technical person. Our assessors were here saying they spend close to half of their time doing technical things. They are the only people without a position like that. The staff has helped me do research on other Counties. That is very much appreciated.

Chair Furfaro: Excuse me, what is the name of that again?

Mr. Bynum: Property Technical Officer.

Chair Furfaro: Got it.

Mr. Bynum: Especially with our very complex systems, right now I am trying to work on a property tax proposal. I was surprised for the Homestead class and it is taking them days to calculate it. With a P.T.O. and with a more normal property tax system, you could calculate—we could do it right here.

Chair Furfaro: Excuse me, Mr. Bynum. Did you have a number for the Technical Officer? A dollar number estimate?

Mr. Bynum: The staff helped me with that. It is including benefits, about 100.

Chair Furfaro: Do you have a number for the chill boxes?

Mr. Bynum: This is the chillers for the Līhu‘e Civic Center?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: I did get confirmation that it is not a critical item because they have back up but it is a potential energy saving item. It is \$500,000.00. The one I feel more strongly about here are the roof repairs. And just that little one about chain link fences; let us replacing those fences. I think the work is done in house and it is a materials item. I started mentioning earlier for Council Services, I would like consideration about a Financial Analyst Position. It should be someone who has a finance background. That is around the salary \$80,000.00 plus benefits. I am looking at the potential of moving some positions from one department to another. I will save that discussion for when we get to that department. I do not think that would be a cost item at all. It will be a process item. That is as far as I got with my notes because I thought I was going to go last.

Chair Furfaro: Are you going to make any presentation to us on the rates?

Mr. Bynum: Let me take that few minutes to say, I know I imposed on everybody a discussion about the complexities of our tax system and how difficult it is. We are working with data that is not accurate. We will not have accurate data for some time. That is also another cost item. I think the P.T.O. will help. I am also hoping that a Financial Analyst on this side, and in lieu of that, some consultant money so we can get independent access or get money for Real Property to make our cumbersome tax calculation system more user friendly in a way that we can do our analysis. There are a couple of different options that will improve that. Yes, I intend to make a Real Property Analysis and Steve Hunt is working as we speak. As he explained when he was here, because of the complexities in the homestead class, they have to take trial and error runs of their current tax software. I thought I had a figure set. I just got a note a little while ago that he is still working on it. Yes, I intend to do that but it is important that it is accurate. It is very difficult for us to get an accurate target.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. How much time was that?

Mr. Bynum: I only used six minutes. That is a miracle.



Chair Furfaro: How much time is left was what I questioned. 14 minutes. Thank you. We have to be acutely aware of these things so I will hold the 14 minutes for you.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Who wants to speak next? Going once? Going twice? I told Mr. Kualii he could be last now that Mr. Bynum went earlier. Vice-Chair, go ahead.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes. I will keep some for our department by department discussion. As Housing Chair, I want to talk about a couple of proposals that I want to make. One of our goals is the timely and adequate provision of affordable housing. There were three sub goals or objectives updating of the Affordable Housing Ordinance; Development of a Sound Housing Data System and Development of a Housing Strategic Plan. In the updating of the Affordable Housing Ordinance, I would like to form an Advisory Committee which draws upon Affordable Housing partners such as K.E.O. and Catholic Charities, such as those. I would like to involve them in the analysis of our Housing Ordinance and where we want to go with that. I am asking for \$12,000.00 in our Council Budget to support the bringing in of some experts and also to do a tour which I hope all Councilmembers will join in, of looking for Affordable Housing projects around our island. There are all kinds. It would be instructive to actually see and find out how they were operated, how they were built, and how they are providing for need. That is in our Council Budget. Then for the Development of a Housing Strategic Plan, I would like to suggest \$60,000.00 for doing that work within the Housing Agency to look at the overall picture; the opportunities and risks, see what potential housing projects there are around the island, look at the need using some of the Housing report that Mr. Dan Miller brought forth, and then developing a strategic plan about which are the low hanging fruit and what kind of resources we need, and also incorporate smart growth ideas.

Chair Furfaro: Let me ask for clarity for myself. That \$60,000.00, you would put that in the Housing Budget?

Ms. Yukimura: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Got it.

Ms. Yukimura: Should we discuss C.I.P. here too or is that for a later discussion?

Chair Furfaro: I would like to keep C.I.P. separate if I can. I just would not restrict you if you want to talk about it, JoAnn. We will go to C.I.P. separately but I will not restrict you from talking about it.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay. I am just going to highlight what my concerns are in the C.I.P. I am very concerned about the Housing project in 'Ele'ele because I do not think it has been thought through completely. I am concerned that it will draw most of our Housing resources and focus there without a clear idea of where it sits in our big picture in Strategic Housing Plan. We have never done a large subdivision ourselves. We have done Housing projects. There is a deed restriction that restricts the development of market housing. I do not know how feasible this is. We have never really done a good feasibility study. I would hate to proceed on expenditures for design or implementation before we are really clear about the long range financing is going to be. I have a concern about that project as well. Another C.I.P. project that I am concerned about is the Northern Bypass in Kōloa which in our Kōloa, Po'ipū regional circulation plan was set as a very long range project that was not supposed to happen right away. Actually, many other projects were

identified as a higher priority than that. The most important thing about the Northern Bypass is that it commits us to a four lane system from the Tree Tunnel and even to Waimea. It commits us to a four lane at the Tree Tunnel and it commits us to car dominated system. That is all happening before we complete our Kaua'i Long Range Land Transportation Plan. I am just concerned that it is not part of a current long range plan. I have some questions about pouring a lot of resources into that. On the Adolescent Drug Treatment Center, I think there is \$500,000.00 in the Budget. I am not sure what that is for. I would feel much more comfortable if a feasibility study was done before any moneys are expended in that line item. In Economic Development, I greatly appreciate the leadership of Councilmember Nakamura in some of the projects that she will be proposing. I wanted to highlight one which is of particular importance to me is The Keiki to Career Action Plan Implementation which is a workforce readiness issue that is addressed or covered in our C.E.D.S. or Comprehensive Economic Development Study Plan. This is a relatively new project. In the last year or so, there has been a coming together of a lot of concerned individuals and organizations to look at our system of support for our young people from preschool to early adulthood. That is why it is called keiki to career because it addresses that continuum of development. We are concerned as a community that we are failing our young people in many ways. There are amazing young people and there are amazing wonderful positive things going on but there are a lot of things that are falling through the cracks. This is an effort to look at that whole process comprehensively. It involves the Department of Education, non-profits from the sporting groups to child and family service to Hale 'Ōpio and all of those groups. They are trying to do a community wide coordinated look and also action plan. I think it is one of the most important efforts on our island. It has so many ramifications in terms of our young people's readiness for life and for work. There is some money in Economic Development that is going to be proposed by Councilmember Nakamura and I want to support it and highlight it. I think it will show our County's commitment and partnership with all the rest of the community agencies in developing a plan that will take us well into the future. It will create a bright future for our young people. That is it for now.

Chair Furfaro: It is 3:00 p.m. We are going to change the tape. Do not go far we are going to take five minutes.

There being no objection, the meeting was recessed at 4:05 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 4:22 p.m., and proceeded as follows:

Chair Furfaro: Okay. We are back into wish list mode. Myself, Mr. Chang, and KipuKai have not gone yet. Mr. Chang.

Mr. Chang: I will take it item by item, Sir.

Chair Furfaro: I guess it is my turn because I promised KipuKai he would go last. Scott, I would like to put on my list the fact that in the area of the C.E.D.S. studies; I want to move approximately \$200,000.00 from the technical studies in the general plan to the C.E.D.S. projects. I want to put in \$38,500.00 not as a transfer, but for an addition for C.E.D.S. programs. Then, I want to move that \$200,000.00 from those technical studies to the C.E.D.S. program. So, we have a total of \$488,000.00 just for the wish list piece. I want \$50,000.00 in the East Kaua'i Development Plan. I guess I do not have to visit this. We got \$200,000.00 in the C.I.P. because we are crossing over here to start the Environmental Assessment and the preliminary design. I wanted to add \$90,000.00 for the geological study at Salt Pond. We keep talking about the value of that asset but nobody understands the way the water flows and the value of the salt ponds. Then, the State comes in and trucks a driveway over it. I want to put \$90,000.00 on my list. For Civil Air Patrol, the Mayor had already addressed it, Mr. Rapozo. It was in the May 8 so I am taking that off the list. It was back fully funded. I wanted to make sure I understood what Vice-Chair Yukimura was talking about. I am to understand that when it comes to the pieces in the capital on

the Northern Bypass, as well as the L.E. project, you are advocating that those moneys get removed. Put a footnote on that because that would remove about \$900,000.00 with the two together. Put it down as a footnote, not as a lined item. Mr. Kualii.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I primarily will have most of my specific remarks during the different parts of the Budget operations as well. Some of the general remarks I wanted to make was that I too have concerns about supporting any increases in the Real Property Taxes. If the Administration is proposing to make revenue neutral, why is it only for a couple of groups and not all? With regards to Human Resources and Finance, what is important to me is having accurate and timely reports. We have several provisos that address those reports. I am looking at each of those provisos and possibly proposing updates and slight modifications and changes. The reports not only need to be accurate and timely, but they also need to be what I would call Council friendly or put together in a way that of course, just prints out the extensive detail of everything that is by lined item but also summary reports that present the big picture. In fact, if the summary reports are all we really need printed, a report that is 500 pages long and provides the extensive detail could be submitted, I am hoping electronically so that we would have both. So, the summary report is printed and the backup detail report is electronic. The electronic reports are to be usable as well, not just for reading but for sorting and looking at it in different configurations. I know that we cannot ask the Administration to do all of that for us but at least in the initial provision of that information, if you allow us to have it in a format where we can change it to do our analysis. That would be helpful. I know with Human Resources, the Quarterly Vacant Reports, there has been some late information and missing information. I know we are moving forward and with new systems, it is going to be better. I think part of it is how we ask for it too. I am working on those provisos. As far as positions, I agree with much of what some of my fellow Councilmembers have already said. I did hear the concern from Accounting regarding the lack of support for accurate tracking of our assets. I want a report on our assets too. We need good tracking of that. I would support that position. I am going to look again at the new position already included for Accounting and hopefully it could cover some of that. Chair, much like what you did for over time, I am doing something for travel and basically across the board. Even if we can only find \$50,000.00 or \$100,000.00 worth of cuts, that is significant and I hope I can have support on that.

Chair Furfaro: You are talking travel County wide?

Mr. Kualii: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Including Council travel?

Mr. Kualii: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Okay.

Mr. Kualii: T.D.R. enforcement is a concern of mine also. I have looked closely at some of the new leases and I have some potential proposals to remove a couple of brand new leases under consideration. For one very specific item, I am looking to propose increasing the Food Bank EBT moneys from \$30,000.00 to \$40,000.00. We have seen incredible success. I will go into the detail later.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, but I am trying to put together a wish list here. Now, this is in addition to the \$20,000.00 that they are going to encumber this year and an additional \$28,000.00...

Mr. Kualii: In the Mayor's Budget, there is \$30,000.00 and I am proposing that to be \$40,000.00, so \$10,000.00 more.

Chair Furfaro: So we will add \$10,000.00 for that to the wish list.

Mr. Kualii: That is it for now. I reserve the balance of my time.

Chair Furfaro: Now, I want to make sure we all understand where we are going. I have to give the staff a few minutes to put together this wish list. I want to put the wish list in front of you because I took a quick look at it and it is about \$1.6 million. I want to make sure you understand, to add things to the Mayor's Budget, I am going to go thorough and if I cannot get five votes on adding something, it is not going to be on the list before we go into the departments. I want to point out that some of the numbers are items that are shifting location from where they are currently at so the same will not apply to that. These are the new type items. I am going to recognize Council Vice-Chair Yukimura, then I would like to give the staff time to talk story.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes. Thank you, Chair. On the addition to the Food Bank, which I support, I think the actual amount needed is another \$28,000.00 because I just learned that the \$28,000.00 from this year is undergoing rescission because of the way it is worded. We have to check that.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Let us ask Ernie to come up because I did not understand it that way so between you and I, we might be getting different information.

Ms. Yukimura: What I heard from Economic Development today is that the \$28,000.00 in this year's Budget is going through a rescission which means it is going to be lapsed? But you are procurement so you might know more than I do.

Chair Furfaro: Before you answer that that is not the answer they gave the Chair.

Mr. Barreira: I hope I can clarify. From my understanding of what is going on is that they are going to cancel the previous contract where the \$28,000.00 was encumbered to because of non-performance. That money is intended to be replaced and encumbered for the purposes of the Food Bank contract. We are going to be doing a contract amendment and amend those funds so that the appropriation with the encumbrance next year, notwithstanding Councilmember KipuKai's recommendation, would be \$58,000.00. The \$30,000.00 of that passes plus the \$28,000.00.

Ms. Yukimura: If that is the case, I think that is what they wanted and it should work so we probably do not need that additional \$10,000.00 because the \$30,000.00 plus the \$28,000.00 is what...

Chair Furfaro: \$58,000.00 total. Maybe I will give the floor to Mr. KipuKai if he wants to add more comments to that.

Mr. Kualii: Maybe I do not have the current information but I thought that the \$28,000.00 was from the SNAP program, that that was going to be encumbered and used for the...but I think the staffing of the E.B.T. piece. This other funding is for distribution to the public. Maybe I do not have the latest information. That was from weeks ago.

Chair Furfaro: If we go on break, maybe you can research what Councilmember Kualii was talking about. We will call you back up after the break. How is that?

Ms. Yukimura: Right. That would be fine. I just want to make sure because it is your proposal, Chair, and I support this KISC Invasive Species. Is that already in the...

Chair Furfaro: It is in the May 8 submittal. Am I correct?

Mr. Barreira: Yes. \$50,000.00 is in the submittal.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay. \$50,000.00 is in there which is a total of \$100,000.00?

Chair Furfaro: I think it is only \$50,000.00 because there was nothing in the March 15 submittal so I did a written communication. I think I made a strong statement and I want to clarify it again. We are going to have to step up every year unless we start getting some support from the State Health Department. This is going to be the 4<sup>th</sup> year that they did not give any money. I wrote over and asked for \$50,000.00 and that is what is in there.

Mr. Barreira: Yes. The May submittal reflects \$50,000.00.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay. Lastly, on the Wailua Golf Course C.I.P., which I also support; I am not clear on the amount or where it is going. It is not on our list. I just want to make sure that it is on our plus list.

Chair Furfaro: Actually, there are two parts to this. There is and again, I have had some experience managing golf courses. There is the golf element and everything from the type of grass we use to the depth of the sand bags. Then there is the amenity for the Wailua Clubhouse. I was hoping to get \$60,000.00 in one of the C.E.D.S. plans. I want to make sure I am very clear. It is only for the clubhouse and concessions, not for the golf course per say. I think that is another plan.

Ms. Yukimura: I am just a little bit concerned because I think the plan for those ancillary functions need to follow the main mission of the golf course. Unless that is clear and moving forward, it is hard to do the ancillary.

Chair Furfaro: I have to tell you, I disagree completely because the ancillary are revenue generating pieces for us and the amenity needs to be there. To redo a whole strategic plan for the golf course will take us two and half years on a good approach. I do not disagree what needs to be done but we need a plan for those four concessioners and the actually amenity called The Clubhouse.

Ms. Yukimura: Can we not be so adamant in the restriction of it just so that there is maybe even just a review.

Chair Furfaro: You want me to be more flexible? Where is the urgency? The urgency is that we will never increase the rounds of that golf course unless we improve those concessions.

Ms. Yukimura: I totally agree.

Chair Furfaro: I agree with your long term look, but for short term, we have to add some solutions now.

Ms. Yukimura: I agree that the focus can be there but there needs to be some kind of reference back to a clear, current mission of the golf course.

Chair Furfaro: Sure. Golf as you should know, and many golfers would disagree, they are losing about 2.5% of their market segment a year because it has become a pretty significant recreational sport when it comes to dollars. 2.5% of the market a year. Obviously, many of the other golf courses we refer to end up being amenities for the sale of real-estate or to improve the average rate in a hotel that is part of the operation. This is a municipal facility. That is why it probably needs to be done in two parts. Mr. Chang.

Mr. Chang: Thank you, Chair. I was wondering if we can get a very fast discussion about the invasive species. Last year, I believe we funded \$50,000.00 and we put that back. I just wanted to get some discussion with the Councilmembers entertaining the thought that I think that is a very minimal amount.

Chair Furfaro: Here is what you have to understand. That responsibility is the State's. Three years ago when Vice-Chair Yukimura and I chugged through Lāwa'i Valley to take our tour and so forth, we knew it was pretty isolated there. Yet, the State poured a million dollars into the Big Island and could not conquer the problem because it is so widespread. Our approach was that we gave the Invasive Species Council three years that we would support them because we could control the invasion at that level by cooperating with the Invasive Species Council. We still did not get any money. They have asked for this amount. I have no problem if we bring them back, especially in your Committee, because I think it is an Economic Development issue. The visitors get exposed to it then real estate prices drop. I think that is a whole different discussion. For right now, the Invasive Species Council said to us that they need at least \$50,000.00 to keep the momentum going but that needs to be a future agenda item in your Committee so that we can get to the State. It is some of our basic concerns. A million dollars later, you still go to stay at the Hilo Lagoon and the sound of the frogs go right through the hotel room windows. The only place that does not have them on the Big Island is Waimea because it is too cold. But they are all over the Big Island. We need to put that on your agenda.

Mr. Chang: I appreciate that. I am thinking also of Miconia, and Australian—everything else...the presentation you allowed...

Chair Furfaro: Again, those are State lands.

Mr. Chang: I understand that and I believe that it should be a future agenda item. Because we got that discussion, I am just thinking like Vice-Chair was saying in our discussion; it is a minimal amount of money for what the long term deal is going to be as far as eradication is concerned.

Chair Furfaro: If you recall, I invited them and put them on a special calendar to hear that because there is also a message there for the State Department Health. We need some kōkua here.

Mr. Chang: I understand.

Chair Furfaro: The trees came up along Wailua River and going down at Lydgate. It is a navigable river. It is a State controlled river so if somebody needs to be cutting the trees and dragging them away, it needs to be State. I hate to be so direct with Ken, but we cannot be the forest rangers as well. Vice-Chair.

Ms. Yukimura: I just want to say that I do not know if Councilmember Chang is proposed that many things. If he wants to co-propose another \$25,000.00, I will too.

Chair Furfaro: So I can go back and say to you, "Mr. Chang, would you like two more minutes in your turn around the table to propose something?"

Mr. Chang: Two more of my 20 or 18? No I would just like to say, I am not asking for anything.

Chair Furfaro: But if you want to put \$25,000.00 now, it sounds like you have a second here.

Mr. Chang: I would settle for \$25,000.00 but I would have asked for \$50,000.00. I think the few people that we have out there are incredible die hearts that we talked about; out of sight, out of mind. They are living in eradication conditions.

Chair Furfaro: Dickie, that is not the question of this Council. The question of the Council is, "Who's kuleana is it really?" And Ken, the County, on our purse strings keep revisiting this problem which should be a partnership with the State.

Mr. Chang: I understand.

Chair Furfaro: So you are going to put \$25,000.00 more on the list? Okay. Now, if we could take a break for ten minutes so that we can put together the wish list. Then, we will go into individual discussions knowing that Mr. Bynum's proposal to reserve 14 minutes when the tax guys come over, is still valid.

There being no objection, the meeting was recessed at 4:22 p.m.

The Council reconvened at 5:03 p.m., and proceeded as follows:

Chair Furfaro: I want to let you know that we are getting to a point where we are going to have some discussions on the material that we passed out because we are at hammer time. I am giving you this list of wishes that we have here, it is a one point three million dollar change in operating and it is a five hundred eighty-eight thousand five hundred dollar change for additions in CIP. Some of these items you can see are based on moving some items but these are the totals and I am not going to want to revisit with every Department, every item, I think we need to start hammering down. Let me show you the formula – these are my notes that I have been working with the staff about how we came up with the agenda but here is the formula (inaudible) this is what we have up to this point. We have no tax increases, we have no rate on the reserve, we have a process of spending money without deposits on hand and that is at one million three plus five hundred thousand. So we have this wish list and we have two processes to go and it all starts with hammer time. We got to be really serious about drilling this thing down if that is what we really want to do and we need to go through voting on this or for the last three years we have been evaluating our surplus carryover and I think the Administration has indicated that they are going to be at twelve million, what is that number?

Mr. Barreira: It is at twelve million five hundred fifty-three thousand two hundred seventy-three dollars.

Chair Furfaro: I am saying by the time we end this year, that will increase with some reach by about a million five and that is from previous material that I sent you. So, we can increase that line item on the budget worksheet to cover this but I will tell you it is very touchy to touch the reserves because next... at the end of the month we are going to San Francisco to refinance our debt which is going to save us substantial amount of money each year or we can go

through this whole exercise and we are going to through voting on these items and hopefully if we come out about a million five, we at a point that we just say we are going to start with the idea that the surplus is going to be closer to another million seven than the twelve something and that would protect our credit status as we go in. The consequence of that if we end the year and the surplus is not bigger than we do have to touch the reserve and the good news is – it will be after we made the presentation to the Bond Company's. I am just laying that out to you because it is hammer time.

Mr. Rapozo: Mr. Chair, I just have a process question. We are going to go through this list and then we are going to have some number that we are short. Where are we now as far as what we already done?

Chair Furfaro: We are at fifty-eight thousand.

Mr. Rapozo: Plus or minus?

Chair Furfaro: Plus.

Mr. Rapozo: We are positive though, not negative.

Chair Furfaro: No, no – we have to add...

Mr. Rapozo: It is a relatively small amount in the red or in the black?

Chair Furfaro: Depends how you interpret red.

Mr. Rapozo: Red means we have... we need to replenish, we need to cut to balance.

Chair Furfaro: Let me tell you where we are at... If that is the plus and minus report for what we have gone through, we are pro how much...

Mr. Chang: State your name for the record.

Chair Furfaro: Come on... this is serious here... Jade, how much are we?

Ms. Tanigawa: The previous look we were in the high fifties.

Mr. Rapozo: Right, but it is just minimal.

Chair Furfaro: So, it is like I said, it around fifty-eight.

Mr. Rapozo: So, I am saying after we go through this and we end up with a number and it is obviously be... we are going to need to find some funds as you just described?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Rapozo: Are we still going to have the opportunity to visit different departments?

Chair Furfaro: Well, we still going to do that.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay.



Chair Furfaro: But what I am saying is, I do not want to go to every department in the next day and try to do what we are adding and what we are deleting. I also want to make sure everything on this list is going to require five votes.

Mr. Rapozo: Right.

Chair Furfaro: Because it is a change to the Mayor's budget.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Now, I want to make sure everybody understands I am giving you an overview, I am not mandating to you what you do and so forth, I am giving you a solution. But we have to know that there are solutions in this approach that before we start this process of reviewing this and which items get five votes, there is a way to say that based on the trends we have now, we can show twelve million five that actually is closer to fourteen. That is what I am saying.

Mr. Bynum: Just a couple of things on the list talking with Mr. Barreira, the Child and Family Service fifteen thousand can come off of here because...

Chair Furfaro: We should wait for that when we go through the list, you can have the floor then. We are going to go through the list.

Mr. Bynum: Okay.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Let us see how big this list ends up after we have gone through it.

Mr. Bynum: And Civic Center roof is not one of the things I said – was that somebody else's?

Chair Furfaro: That was me... maybe that was the KPD.

Mr. Bynum: KPD is one that I mentioned, the other one has to do with Kekaha landfill but I do not know...

Chair Furfaro: Let us go through the list, let us not scatter here and go to here... the exercise that we are going through right now is based on these review of Operating and CIP to vote on them, I need five votes on each item if we add it and then see where we are at with this bottom number, okay? The first item on this operating list which will require five votes is to add fifty-five thousand...

Mr. Kualii: Mr. Chair?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Kualii: So, if you are taking the vote on the first item, I want to recuse myself.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, understood.

Mr. Kualii was noted as recused from this item.

Chair Furfaro: Everybody understands, I am going right down the list.

Mr. Rapozo: These numbers are additional to what is already in the May 8 submittal?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Rapozo: The TVR enforcement, you have twenty-five, you are going to add that to the existing fund?

Chair Furfaro: Yes, that is what I am doing.

Mr. Rapozo: Got it.

Chair Furfaro: Unless the footnotes were over there like on Vice Chair Yukimura's items that might help us... because she is talking about items that come out of CIP but let us go to the first one. The YWCA is in need of us reconsidering fifty-five thousand dollars worth of programs. I would like to have a motion on voting and then discussion.

Mr. Bynum moved to restore the fifty-five thousand, seconded by Mr. Chang.

Chair Furfaro: Any discussion on this item?

Mr. Bynum: There is a front line social service agency and they have had State cuts and to vow another program and they need this to... so when a victim calls, a human being answers the call, you do not get a beeper.

Chair Furfaro: May I ask for a roll call vote please, on the YWCA, I am looking for five votes.

The motion to reconsider fifty-five thousand dollars for the YWCA was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Bynum, Chang, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL – 6,
AGAINST APPROVAL: None	TOTAL – 0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL – 0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: Kualii'i	TOTAL – 1.

Chair Furfaro: Now we have a records clerk, this is reflecting benefits as well and this I believe was Mr. Rapozo's – Police Department.

Mr. Kualii'i was noted back in the Meeting.

Mr. Rapozo moved to replace KPD Records Clerk, seconded by Mr. Chang.

Chair Furfaro: Any discussion on this? I do remember was a request of the Police Chief.

Mr. Rapozo: One of many.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum, do you want the floor before I call for the vote?

Mr. Bynum: Does this just reflect just the salary or the...

Chair Furfaro: Salary and benefits.

Mr. Bynum: I met with Chief Perry recently and said what are your priorities and I did not hear this but when he was here he asked for it?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: Okay, thank you.

The motion to replace KPD Records Clerk was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR REPLACE: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL – 7,
AGAINST REPLACE: None	TOTAL – 0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL – 0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL – 0.

Chair Furfaro: This next one is a Legal Advisor and this too is for the Police Department. This is for the position and benefits so it is an attorney type.

Mr. Rapozo: Yes. We have had extension discussion. I did pass out the position description. Mr. Chair, I think you remember years ago, we put this position in and it did not get approved by the Council. Then that position was not filled. It was reallocated over to the County Attorney's Office. Again, in light of recent happenings at the Kaua'i Police Department, and speaking with some of the senior staff at the Honolulu Police Department, I find that this is a necessary position. I did speak with the Chief and he is in support of it. I would hope that we could get the position in there. The cost is based on the Honolulu—we took a range and it is in line with a Deputy County Attorney salary. It is a requirement to be an attorney. Again, not to replace the County Attorney, but to compliment the County Attorney's Office and act as the liaison. So, I will make a motion to include the Legal Advisor into the K.P.D. Budget.

Mr. Rapozo moved to include the Legal Advisor into the K.P.D. Budget, seconded by Mr. Bynum.

Chair Furfaro: Discussion, members?

Ms. Yukimura: I did not see the description.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay. We can get another copy. I passed it out at the Budget discussions.

Ms. Yukimura: Did you say that the other Counties have that too?

Mr. Rapozo: In Honolulu. I met with the Honolulu Police Department. They have had that position for many years. Their Charter also, just so that people know, and explained this again when we had the discussion; the Honolulu Charter is identical to ours as far as the County Attorney and the department. Again, it does not replace the County Attorney's role as the Chief Advisor and the legal representative of the Honolulu Police Department. This position does allow or provide legal advice day to day. This is more specifically to be used towards the accreditation process that K.P.D. is embarking on.

Ms. Yukimura: So, that still would be coordinated under...because there was a County Attorney assigned to the Police Department. That is not there anymore?

Mr. Rapozo: No. The County Attorney that is assigned is part of the County Attorney's Office. It is not a position that is under K.P.D.

Ms. Yukimura: So why would you not have it in that arrangement as well? What would...

Mr. Rapozo: It would give the Chief of Police the ability and the authority to appoint a Legal Advisor that would service the department. When you read the description you will see. I hate to waste that time. We went through it pretty intensively in the Budget discussion.

Ms. Yukimura: Can we put that at the end of the list so we have some time...

Chair Furfaro: I am going to throw it at the end so you can read the piece.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum, did you want to speak now?

Mr. Bynum: Yes. If there is a County Attorney housed at the Police Department, when that issue came up a couple of years ago, I told the Chief at the time; I would support it being in his Budget if anybody made that argument. And if during Budget, it did not happen and that person is there...I met with the Chief very recently. I said, "Do you have any serious concerns about the Budget or anything that I missed?" He said, "I am kind of okay with it." Like the other department heads, he was not happy about his H.R. person moving him to this H.R. Department but he accepted that. He did not ask for anything else. He talked about some things in his Budget in which he did not ask for but they were in there. I am not asking to remove those but he did not say, "Hey, I really need this person." So I am probably not going to vote for this.

Mr. Rapozo: We can call him.

Mr. Chair: We are going to come back to the vote. Does anybody urgently want to ask anything before we come back to this item later on?

Ms. Nakamura: Who would this attorney report to?

Mr. Rapozo: The Chief of Police.

Ms. Nakamura: So, would that mean that there would be one attorney reporting to the Chief and a separate attorney for the Commission?

Mr. Rapozo: No. That would be up to the County Attorney on what he wants to do with the existing County Attorney, the Deputy, which is assigned to the Police Department. Again, this position serves a different role. The Charter mandates that the County Attorney serve as the Legal Advisor and Legal Representative of...that will not change. What this will do is provide the necessary expertise and experience in Law Enforcement so that the Chief can—as they go through accreditation, I think people need to understand the complexities of accreditation in the Police Department. It just does not require an attorney. It requires an attorney that is well versed in the standards of conduct and the duty manuals and the general orders. Also, all of the policies and procedures. That is what this person would be. It would be a specialist basically to help get through as far as accreditation.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Let us keep that conversation for end. I believe the next one—The Hawai'i Children's Theater, the adding of \$10,000.00. I want the member who introduced that item plan to make the motion please.

Mr. Rapozo: For the Hawai'i Children's Theater, I was contacted by one of the members of the Hawai'i Children's Theater. Apparently, for their annual production which they service over a 150 kids. Not service, but actually utilize and involve them. They used to have a three week contract. They were paying \$7,500.00 for three weeks at The Convention Hall. They actually paid. We charged them. There was a change that the three weeks went to two weeks so they had to raise the funds. He is just asking for some help. To me, that is a very good program, they get a lot of the kids involved. I am not sure why we went and started to charge them. I know we waive a lot of fees for a lot of things. I would like to see some assistance in The Hawai'i Children's Theater because that is a service not only for those kids that are involved, but for the entire community participates in that.

Mr. Rapozo moved to provide funding in the Office of Economic Development in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the Hawai'i Children's Theater, seconded by Ms. Nakamura.

Chair Furfaro: I have a second. Now, time for discussion.

Ms. Nakamura: We received a list from the Parks & Recreation listing all of the (inaudible) free use of that auditorium. We have that list and it was just recently circulated. Why can't this group as a non-profit, be put on that list to prevent us from having to give them the money that is going to come back to us in the long run.

Mr. Rapozo: That is because only the Mayor can waive the fees of The Convention Hall. We do not have that authority. This is one way. I do not know why nor am I going to get involved with that. They are asking for some help and this is a way we can help. Hopefully we can get it done.

Chair Furfaro: Vice-Chair.

Ms. Yukimura: I am sure it is a wonderful program. I am just worried about opening up...the precedence of just having a lot of wonderful non-profit groups who want support and help to request moneys. Unless we make a conscious decision that we are going to fund in this area and we have a system for allocating and prioritizing and determining how we do this, I do not feel real comfortable in supporting this in the way it is being asked. I will make personnel contributions and so forth. We have so many incredible wonderful groups that could use \$10,000.00 or more. How do you distinguish where we draw the line on this?

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: Although I share Councilmember Yukimura's concern in general, The Hawai'i Children's Theater is doing incredible things. I am concerned to hear that they are getting their fees waived because they have to have the auditorium. I need to support Mel's motion on this one.

Chair Furfaro: Does anybody else want to speak on this item before I call for a vote? Does anybody want to speak on the first item? Okay, Councilmember Nakamura, you have the floor. This is your second time and I will only go around two times.

Ms. Nakamura: I am just going to say that I will support it. I think we need to develop all of the spaces that the County (inaudible). It is one of our priorities which is Youth

Development. This one is clearly showing that a lot of you and the community that they have touched. I think it is a worthy organization but I agree with Councilmember Yukimura that we need framework as we proceed on this one.

Chair Furfaro: Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: The way we can help is to go and see the Mayor and make sure the fees are waived. I love children's theater. I love theater. I also think Youth Development, yes. But how do we do it fairly?

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Rapozo: Unfortunately, there is no fair, right? It is when people bring it to our attention that happens and we feel—I agree. I go down this list believe me, JoAnn, on special projects under Economic Development and the Mayor's Office and some of those I am thinking, "Why are we spending that money at a time like this?" I am talking about Sister Cities and Lights on Rice and so forth. Yes they all provide a value. If the Mayor would consent and say we waive the fees, we do not need the money. It is that simple. You want to put a proviso on this in the event that the Mayor approves a waiver of this money? That is fine.

Ms. Yukimura: Why do we not just ask the Mayor right now?

Mr. Rapozo: I do not know if you would want to put him on the spot now. I do not think it is fair to him. I do not know what his reasons are. If you want to put that proviso on that, it is fine with me. We have a lot of opportunities. That is why we talk about the \$40,000.00 of our commitment to the anti-drug effort. That is something I failed to put on my list.

Chair Furfaro: I want to make sure we stick to the subject title in here and we discuss things on the value of the merit of that program. We could be here for a very long time starting comparisons and so forth. I like Mr. Rapozo's suggestion that we leave the money there with a proviso that we solicit to the Mayor to waive the fees. That is one option. Is there any further discussion? Do I want to amend that motion that indicates what the proviso would be there? Let us vote on the item as amended.

Ms. Nakamura moved to amend the proviso, seconded by Mr. Chang was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR AMENDMENT: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura	TOTAL-6,
AGAINST AMENDMENT: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0,
SILENT: Furfaro	TOTAL-1.

Chair Furfaro: I will take it upon myself to write to the Mayor to solicit the waiving of the fees.

Ms. Yukimura: We were voting on the motion as amended. So we need a second?

Chair Furfaro: Yes. But I just want to let you know that I am writing to the Mayor, one way or another. Now, we have The Hawai'i Children's Theater as amended.

The motion to approve The Hawai'i Children's Theater as amended, was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Bynum, Chang, Kualiti, Nakamura, Rapozo  
AGAINST APPROVAL: None.  
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None  
SILENT: Yukimura, Furfaro

TOTAL-5,  
TOTAL-0,  
TOTAL-0,  
TOTAL-2.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Let us go to the T.V.R. Enforcement. Councilmember Nakamura, this was on three of our lists but if you would like to make the motion.

Ms. Nakamura moved to increase the T.V.R. Enforcement line item that was originally \$5,000.00 to \$25,000.00, seconded by Mr. Rapozo.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I agree with the rationale but my understanding is that there are two full-time T.V.R. inspectors right now. This was a huge issue for a long time. They are going through the applicants who have had the opportunity to grandfather. That is really difficult and painful. Eventually we are going to get through that. Hopefully those inspectors will be free for other types. So we put two in previously. They are working hard, there is no doubt about that because we are doing this Committee process. Some of been denied and that has an end date. I do not want to put additional funds in without more dialogue with Planning.

Chair Furfaro: We are not going to have time to do that.

Mr. Bynum: If there is not a need, I would revisit it in a month.

Chair Furfaro: Here is what I see the need is. Because our Planning Department is doing a diligent job at reviewing all of these guys, grandfathering certain ones, and forbidding others; there is more that have become illegal now. So there is more to enforce until they actually walk away from it. I will be supporting this piece. Mr. Rapozo, then Mr. Chang.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I believe we had the dialogue when Planning was here. I think we heard loud and clear from the Planning Department that they do not have the resources right now because everyone is tied up. This is a onetime funding opportunity. This is what we had suggested, that they go out and if they have to contract out, to at least get caught up in the illegals that are going ramped right now. I heard loud and clear—I am not sure if Mr. Bynum was here.

Mr. Bynum: I may not have been here.

Mr. Rapozo: But it was definitely clear to us that they could use some funding. I was very surprised to see only \$5,000.00 so I am going to support the \$25,000.00.

Chair Furfaro: Let me see if there is anyone who wants to speak the first time. Mr. Chang, you have the floor.

Mr. Chang: Thank you. I just wanted to clarify for the audience and members of the viewing audience that T.V.R. is Transient Vacation Rentals. I think it is a big issue within our community because our community has obviously cried out to us that we need to have some enforcement on the many illegal transient vacation rentals. I want the public to know that we are doing something to hear their concerns by enforcing those who are illegally operating transient vacation rentals, T.V.R.s. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: For a point of clarification because I said here a couple of months ago that part of the legislation that I supported said that if you advertise a T.V.R., you have to put your permit number in the advertisement. That is not happening. That is an enforcement issue. Is this for a position or is this for a contract hire? If it is a contract hire, I will support this 100%.

Mr. Rapozo: It is for Investigative Services. It will give them the opportunity to bring on someone for 89 days. It would even give them an opportunity to go out and contract somebody if they wanted to. The discussion as I recall, was for 89 day contracts to bring in a couple of retired Police Investigators and go out on an 89 day contract.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you for that clarification. I support it.

Chair Furfaro: Let me give you more clarification. During the hearing with the (inaudible), I wanted them to get two 89-day Enforcement Officers to go out and make sure that all of those that became illegal or eliminated, they saw our presence in the community. The original request was cut by \$25,000.00 in the March 15 submittal. From the March 15 submittal, I am sorry to the May 8. This amount only gets back to what we originally talked about. I just wanted to make that clear. I really do not care if they get two 89-days to really—we have to have a presence to enforce what we permitted. I hope that clarifies it for some. Vice-Chair Yukimura, you want the floor?

Ms. Yukimura: I just want to say that laws are meaningless without enforcement. This is a very big issue for our community. We spend a lot of time putting the law into place. It is time to enforce it.

Chair Furfaro: Very good. I would like to have a roll call vote, please.

FOR ADD: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-7,
AGAINST ADD: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: I just want to restate my last statement. That \$25,000.00 brings the funding to \$30,000.00. The next item is Child and Family Services with an addition of \$15,000.00. I think that is Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: Yes. This is about a summer Headstart program that we have funded in the past. In discussion with the Administration, Parks has...I forgot what the name of the fund but they are going to fund this for the rest of the year so we can remove this. It will probably come back next year. It complements our summer fun program for the younger aged kids.

Chair Furfaro: Ernie, may I have a nod or a really loud yes; this is a duplicate then, it is in the Budget?

Ernie: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you. We will go to the next item, The Civic Center roof repairs. I want to make sure; I transmitted some notes to Scott to build a wish list. I might have transmitted it to roofs. It is not on the Civic Center. It is only on K.P.D. The Civic Center has been removed.



Mr. Bynum: Unfortunately, I do not have enough detail to deal with this. I will follow up with Public Works. There is another leaking roof at Kekaha for the landfill. I do not know how much they need for that because it was combined for painting and other things.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. We are only going to deal with K.P.D. This is a single roof, not a dog bark. Let us move along here. Who made the motion on the K.P.D. roof?

Mr. Bynum: I did. It was in the Repair & Maintenance list that came in our Budget but the funding for some of those items were removed. My question to them was what they thought was critical. They said the roof was leaking. It is a Repair & Maintenance item for the roof for that complex.

Mr. Bynum moved to approve the funding for the leaking roof in K.P.D., seconded by Ms. Yukimura.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Bynum: Tim, you have the assurance that they would be able to get this project done in the next year?

Mr. Bynum: I did not ask that question. We can check.

Mr. Rapozo: Please do because it if is not going to be done, and I think the standard rule is 18 months on a C.I.P. project. This is not a C.I.P. project.

Chair Furfaro: This is under Repair & Maintenance under Operations.

Mr. Rapozo: I just want to make sure it is going to be done. I fully support it but if maybe we can come back to that one.

Chair Furfaro: We need to make sure within the year, the contractor has got an approved contract and the money is encumbered and so forth within that 12 months period.

Mr. Bynum: My sense would be yes because they do this stuff fairly routinely at this level...

Mr. Rapozo: But for some reason it was removed. That is what concerns me.

Mr. Bynum: If you look on the page, you see this whole list and the dollar side is gone. That is not uncommon. I think for the Administration to say, "Hey we have to stay within the Budget." I believe it is a prioritizing list and this was the next item that I recall. There are things I want to add here that are really important.

Chair Furfaro: We had the discussion about what goes on. We are voting on what is on the wish list here. I disagree. This goes on all the time. For my first ten years in the building, call the County Council building; the roof leaked and they never fixed it. I hope they get this one done, Mr. Bynum. Let us call for the vote.

FOR APPROVAL: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-7,
AGAINST APPROVAL: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: Next item is the Civic Center chill box. This item for me, these chill boxes should have a life of 20 years. I asked Wally if he would check on the maintenance contract, which is issued to O'ahu Air Conditioning. I would like to share with you folks that before we visit this item, that we get a report on O'ahu Air Conditioning for the problem. Is it a condensation problem or bent interior?

Mr. Bynum: I would concur at this time. Let us remove this one.

Chair Furfaro: Any further discussion about that? We will trace this for some discussion with O'ahu Air Conditioning. The next one is you Mr. Bynum, the Property Technician Officer.

Mr. Bynum: This is a result on long discussions with Real Property. I will not go through all of this because just the complexity of that work, the assessors are spending most of their time doing technical stuff as opposed to their primary mission. We have a de facto person who is doing this. It has taken them away from their intended position. We are the only County who does not have even one person in this position. Maui has a Supervisor and four people doing this. They are bigger but I just think it is a critical need and it goes on with all these other things I have been saying about getting accurate information. I hope there is support for this.

Mr. Bynum moved to add the Property Technician Officer position, seconded by Ms. Yukimura was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR ADD: Bynum, Chang, Nakamura, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-5,
AGAINST ADD: Kualii	TOTAL-1,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0,
SILENT: Rapozo	TOTAL-1.

Chair Furfaro: Let us go to the Council Services Finance position. That is you, Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I have already made this argument. Our staff is awesome. We have got new hires, thanks to the Chair. All the new hires appear to be awesome and they are overwhelmed already. Finances are our primary task here. I would love for us to have a Financial Analyst position. What I said earlier is that we approved a Legislative Analyst, which this could either be a new position or a reclassification at that position at a higher salary because to get that level of a person who has that level of expertise is about an \$80,000.00 not a \$55,000.00 position. I wanted to have the dialogue at least but I would really like to see this position at Council Services so we can take our primary fiscal responsibility and have that expertise.

Chair Furfaro: Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes. Chair, since it is your leadership in terms of the positions we have already approved, was that slated for something else or is that a position that could be turned into a high level fiscal analyst.

Chair Furfaro: I think I am going to let a cat out of the bag here when I answer your question. Brace yourselves. We get this additional analyst which we put in for, I actually expect the Auditor's Department to start making a monthly report to us on the financial analysis of the monthly statements that we get. Meaning when the P.N.L.s come out, I expect the Audit Department to review it, raise any issues with us, and make a presentation monthly.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay. But related to the new position we just approved.

Chair Furfaro: I thought I just explained to you, with the seven Committees that they have, I think I want an analyst to be responsible for those particular areas. I will not be supporting this financial position because I have more expectations from the Auditor. If an auditor should walk into a hotel, he audits your financial books and looks at your P.N.L.s and so forth. I think there is more that can be done.

Ms. Yukimura: You are seeing it as using the Auditors as meeting most of the needs that we might have for financial analysis.

Chair Furfaro: I would like to be at a point where we could call on them to evaluate a P.N.L.

Ms. Yukimura: We should.

Chair Furfaro: We should. I do not think we are quite there yet. Anyone else wants to comment before I call on Mr. Bynum a second time? Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Rapozo: I am not too familiar with what this position would do. I am not going to be supporting it. I agree and I believe at the Auditor's Office, they have a C.P.A. there. I believe we have some financial people that could help us so at this point I will not be supporting this position.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I would just like to say. I had this discussion with the Chair. I said at the beginning I wanted us to have this discussion, which we are having and I could see removing this. I want to say that Mr. Pasion and Mr. Rawls over there are really akamai about these issues and understand. I have asked for their assistance. They are very cautious and they want to make sure that they are not working beyond their scope of work. If we clarify for them that that is part of their scope of work, it would be nice to talk to them. Do you understand what I am saying, Chair? They have been saying, "That is not really our role as we understand it." I would like to make that clear to the Auditor and have some discussion with them.

Chair Furfaro: Having said that, and not getting to a point where I can maximize the expectations from the Audit Department, Mr. Bynum is willing to take this out. Then you and I could have a future discussion with them. This one comes out, please. This "Consultant for the Movies." Please take that out. It was a mistranslation on my notes. I was talking about Economic Development and the movies (inaudible).

Mr. Kualii: I want to ask for a special request to register my vote for the Property Technician Officer as a "no", rather than silent.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Did you hear the request for the record? Now let us move on to the 'Ele'ele project feasibility study. We do not have any money in there, but it was something that I believe Vice-Chair Yukimura wanted to have dialogue on her wish-list. There is no money in it because I do not think any exists, does it?

Ms. Yukimura: Well, there is a huge amount of money in the Housing Revolving Fund for the project and I am asking those moneys be removed, but we are not going to take it up right now as a understand it, is that right?

Chair Furfaro: Okay. 'Ele'ele project. Housing Advisory Committee. This is the \$12,000.00 you wanted to be put in the Council Budget?

Ms. Yukimura: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: You have the floor. You have to make a motion.

Ms. Yukimura moved to approve \$12,000.00 to be put into the Council Budget for the 'Ele'ele Project – Housing Advisory Committee, seconded by Mr. Kualii.

Chair Furfaro: Okay dialogue? You have the floor, Vice-Chair.

Ms. Yukimura: As I mentioned this would be -- and it is not just for the Housing Advisory Committee, but they will be are part of the process of evaluating our existing law and developing amendments to update our housing -- our Affordable Housing Ordinance.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Any further dialogue?

Ms. Yukimura: I hope it to be an expanded process in developing legislation.

Chair Furfaro: Can I take a roll call vote then? We have a motion and second to add the \$12,000.00 in the Council Budget for this Budget.

The motion to add \$12,000.00 in the Council Budget was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR ADD: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-7,
AGAINST ADD: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: Hello, Rick. Now, Housing Strategic Plan. This stays in the Housing group.

Ms. Yukimura: This would be in the Housing Agency.

Chair Furfaro: Yes. \$60,000 in Housing Agency

Ms. Yukimura: And it would be for a Facilitator Planner and if Councilmember Nakamura was not a Councilmember she would be an ideal person to help the Housing Department develop a strategic plan, which does a comprehensive look at what the potential projects are, what our goals are for Housing. And the needs of the community. It would take some public work -- work with public non-profits and others working on the housing issue and help the Housing Agency develop a strategic plan for achieving the number of units we see needed over a certain period of time.

Chair Furfaro: Okay.

Ms. Yukimura: It basically would ensure we use our money and our time in the best possible way to get the best returns in Housing.

Chair Furfaro: And this would be a contract that went out to a group, right?

Ms. Yukimura: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Not a position?

Ms. Yukimura: Not a position at all. This is a one shot expense.

Chair Furfaro: Any further discussion? If not, roll call please.

The motion to approve \$60,000.00 for the Housing Strategic Plan in the Housing Agency, was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-7,
AGAINST APPROVAL: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: Just so we can get a real quick bearings myself. At this point under the \$1.32 that amount, we have deleted, voted against or took out \$845,00.00 to this point. That would be a \$15,000.00 project, \$200,000.00 project, \$500,000.00 project, and a \$130,000.00 project. Do you have that, Scott? And my totals add up, this is Wai'anae math, \$845,000.00 to-date? Moving right along, this next item would be on the Adolescent Drug Treatment Plan -- facility, I guess.

Ms. Yukimura: Are we doing removals in C.I.P?

Chair Furfaro: No. I am just going down the list so I do not lose my place. This one is a C.I.P. item that has been discussed about removal. This and the Northern Bypass. So these are your items, Vice-Chair.

Ms. Yukimura: Are we voting on them now?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: Or when we go into C.I.P?

Chair Furfaro: We are going to vote on them now.

Ms. Yukimura: All right. Basically, for the Adolescent Drug Treatment I guess there is \$500,000.00 for – I think it says feasibility and design or construction.

Chair Furfaro: Could you help us with this, Ernie?

Mr. Barreira: Chair, I believe that is all soft money in terms of design, and feasibility. I would have to look at the C.I.P.

Ms. Yukimura: Let us look right now.

Chair Furfaro: I am sorry to have jumped around on you but I wanted to get through the wish-list before we got to the end of the day.

Ms. Yukimura: Sorry, Scott can you help us as to where it is and what the line item reads?

Chair Furfaro: Here is my C.I.P. It is in General Fund, page 6. Is that what you said?

Ms. Yukimura: Oops.

Chair Furfaro: Lucky, there is no coffee in that cup.

Chair Furfaro: Here, JoAnn. Pass it back after you find it, please.

Ms. Yukimura: I am not looking at the right one. Yes, it is Land Acquisition and Improvements. So it is not soft money.

Chair Furfaro: Did you hear that, Ernie? This is for case goods.

Mr. Barreira: Yes, it is listed as correct as Land Acquisition and Improvements, \$500,000.00.

Ms. Yukimura: Chair, until the feasibility study is done, it does not seem we should move on any of that. I am concerned that this might be movement in the next year, even though we have not completed the feasibility. So I mean we can either take it out or put a proviso that there is no expenditure unless the Council approves.

Chair Furfaro: Okay.

Ms. Yukimura: Or take it out for now.

Chair Furfaro: I am going to ask Mr. Rezentes if he would like to comment?  
Mr. Rezentes.

Mr. Rezentes: I have no comment.

Chair Furfaro: I just caught a correction here, too. It is \$300,000.00, not \$500,000.00. It got reduced. Wally, no comment? You have no problem if we put a proviso on it?

Mr. Rezentes: I do not think the proviso would be legal, but you can put it in.

Chair Furfaro: I am going to ask you the right thing and the wrong thing. If I did not want your opinion, I would not call you up. Did you hear that, JoAnn?

Ms. Yukimura: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: He did not think it would be legal?

Ms. Yukimura: For what?

Chair Furfaro: To put a proviso on the \$300,000.00.

Mr. Rezentes: To condition the appropriation.

Ms. Yukimura: Why? We have done it many times before, I believe.

Chair Furfaro: I know we have at least two. We have our answer. I mean, we are talking, is it legal? We do not have a motion. Wally just made us an offer we cannot refuse. Okay. It could be a legal challenge there. That is my interpretation of that. So do we have a second only this?

Ms. Yukimura moved to remove \$300,000.00, seconded by Mr. Bynum.

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

Mr. Bynum: My background is in Social Services.

Chair Furfaro: Wally, wanted to give us more information.

Mr. Rezendes: I am sorry. I just got a call from the folks watching on the other side. Ernie was actually right. It is misworded and it should say "Planning and Development", instead of the Hard Costs. It is Soft Costs.

Chair Furfaro: So instead of Land Acquisition, for the Adolescent Drug Treatment Plan, the verbiage on the list is wrong?

Mr. Rezendes: Right. It should say "Adolescent Drug Treatment Plan Design."

Chair Furfaro: So let me ask this. Since we got the verbiage corrected, I would hope, can I ask to remove the first, remove the second and then I will give Mr. Bynum the floor?

Mr. Bynum: I will remove my second.

Ms. Yukimura: Why? I still want to move it.

Chair Furfaro: I understand you still want to remove it, but I want to make sure that we have the right terminology. I will take another motion from you.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay.

Chair Furfaro: Before I get to the right motion, I want to make sure the person that seconded your motion is fully aware of what the interpretation was.

Ms. Yukimura: All right, Chair.

Chair Furfaro: He removed his second and you removed your first. You still have the floor, Vice-Chair – I am sorry, Mr. Bynum had the floor.

Mr. Bynum: I am not going to go through all the this history of the Adolescent Drug Treatment Plan and we broke ground on one in Hanapēpē and lost several thousand dollars because we did not move forward because a lot of issues were not resolved. There was feasibility study that we funded last year to see if built this building, could we actually operate and sustain it. Five years ago the answer would have been yes, but in this era where the State A.D.A.D. all the drug services have been cut and other adolescent programs have shutdown that did exist. To spend more money like we did in Hanapēpē, before we know it will actually come to fruition and as reluctant as he am I am to do that and come across like I do not support us at addressing this issue. It is not wise. So I am going to support in removing it for now until we see that feasibility study and that we can actually operate it.

Chair Furfaro: Vice-Chair.

Ms. Yukimura: We received a report from our Life Choices Kaua'i Coordinator there were two procurements pending. One is \$50,000.00 for a feasibility study of a Kaua'i Adolescent Drug Treatment Center which I support, but there is also \$250,000.00 for an Environmental Assessment Land Use Planning Services and a Design and Construction Plans and Bidding. That the Administration is in the process of encumbering and if the feasibility study shows is not feasible will be a total waste. That is \$250,000.00 and I do not know if there is a way to stop this. This is from last year's budget. Let me get some clear yet. Ernie, could you come up for a moment?

Chair Furfaro: First I am going to have Councilmember Nakamura recuse herself.

Ms. Yukimura: Why?

Chair Furfaro: She felt she needed to because of the consultation with the clinic workers. Is there \$250,000.00 from the previous year's budget that they are working off of?

Mr. Barreira: I believe that is Current Years Funds, Sir.

Chair Furfaro: That is Current Year's Funded that have or have not been encumbered?

Mr. Barreira: Not yet been encumbered because it has to rest a (inaudible) during the process of negotiation to award on the professional service and solicitation I have shared with the Council.

Chair Furfaro: She understands the urgency to encumber that. If not, it will lapse.

Mr. Barreira: We are working on that feverishly before the jury duty deadline.

Chair Furfaro: I just wanted to get us clear on the information that Council Vice-Chair brought to our attention.

Mr. Barreira: Yes, Sir.

Chair Furfaro: That is where that is at. You have the floor.

Ms. Yukimura: I want to urge and request the Administration not to move forward on \$250,000.00 for a design, building plans, and an environmental assessment until the feasibility study is completed and we are sure that it is feasible. So you can see that I am trying to save money or not waste money from this year's budget and I am concerned how that money will be used in this upcoming budget if we keep it in the budget. So that is my concern. Until we know we can actually do this and I think everybody appreciates and wants to have a successful Adolescent Drug Treatment Center but we do not want to have an unfeasible one and have spent all of this money.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Members, any more discussion on this? We have a motion and second? Mr. Bynum, you have spoken once on this subject, let me see if I have anybody going once, twice, Mr. Bynum you have the floor again.



Mr. Bynum: I am just having déjà vu because in my first term, we broke ground on an Adolescent Drug Treatment Facility and I will never forget that meeting because Council Chair Asing took a courageous position and voted appropriately, I think, to try to continue. And I was one of the votes that I regret, because Mr. Asing was correct, and we did not move forward with that. So I just concur totally. We cannot put the cart before the horse here. I am not clear at all that we could -- we could have a building that just sat there, because I am not clear in this climate with social services, we can get provisos to run the facility. And so I am concerned as Councilmember Yukimura pointed out and I voted for this funding last year, but I did not know it would move forward until we answered that question. For this funding, I cannot see us going more so I am going vote to remove it.

Chair Furfaro: Vice-Chair, he want to get a procedural piece, our records show that we removed the motion. So we need a motion.

Ms. Yukimura moved to remove or delete the item under C.I.P. Adolescent Drug Treatment Center, seconded by Mr. Bynum.

Chair Furfaro: Let me see if anybody else wants the floor. It does not look like it. You have the floor again.

Ms. Yukimura: So besides the question of whether there is a way to sustain it, because I do not know -- I have not been told where the operating monies are coming from. And if this is something that is going to take County monies, this is a huge deviation from what we normally spend county money for. We are entering full-on into human services in a very specialized area which we have no expertise in. And so we do not know where the money is coming from. I always assumed and even if the first presentation when the project was slated for the Humane Society site at Salt Pond, there was going to be State monies to run this facility. I always assumed maybe we would help start it and site it, but that the State would fund it. And I do not know where those monies come from and I presume those questions would be answered by a feasibility study. So those are the very big issues that have to be addressed before we start designing or doing building plans.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. I want to reaffirm something. As the County's Budget and Procurement Officer, you feel confident that the \$250,000.00 will be procured before June 30?

Mr. Barreira: What I can tell you it is currently approved funds in the current Fiscal Year 2012 Budget. And that the professional services solicitation was let, and that according to Ms. Koki, the negotiations are ongoing and the intention is to encumber those funds.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. You answered my question, because quite frankly, we approved that in the previous C.I.P. and that is the end of the story. Story concluded. Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Rapozo: Do you have any idea how long the feasibility would take?

Mr. Barreira: I have to research...

Chair Furfaro: She told us 8-10 months. I did not mean to intercede but that is what she said.

Mr. Rapozo: No, I just wanted an answer. Thank you.

Mr. Barreira: I know it was reflected in her submission which came over yesterday. It is quite heavy.

Chair Furfaro: Is Mr. Chang here? I am getting ready to take a vote on this. Did he leave? Ashley, how are you doing over there? Keeping up with us? Good. You are leaving, the change of guards, you are going to sing "Hawai'i Aloha" tonight brother. We have a motion and second. Five votes to remove this.

Ms. Yukimura: Four votes.

Chair Furfaro: I am sorry, four. I am getting -- I need some kind of chewing gum to bring me back here. Wally, did you want to say anything before I took the vote? Okay, Wally is here, Ernie, have a great evening and wonderful weekend and enjoy May Day. I would like to do a roll call right now. And the motion is could you restate it, either Mr. Bynum or Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: To remove the line item for the Adolescent Drug Treatment Center. We have done it before and I do not think anybody would challenge it legally if we want to put a proviso in the event it is found feasible. I do not mind doing that, but I need some assurance that money is not going to be spent before we know that.

Chair Furfaro: Let us fall back on that option after we take the vote.

Ms. Yukimura: We would amend it with a proviso, would we not?

Chair Furfaro: I would revisit it is what I am saying to you. Let us see where the votes fall first. Okay, you agree, Mr. Bynum? The motion is to remove the \$300,000.00 because of the concerns of the feasibility studies that have not been completed. So it is \$300,000.00. Okay. Roll call vote, please?

The motion to remove \$300,000.00 for the Adolescent Drug Treatment Plan Design was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR REMOVAL: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Yukimura	TOTAL-4,
AGAINST REMOVAL: Rapozo	TOTAL-1,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: Nakamura	TOTAL-1,
SILENT: Furfaro	TOTAL-1.

Mr. Rapozo: Mr. Chair?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Rapozo: We need to amend the language -- sorry -- we need to amend the language. It is removed. Forget it.

Chair Furfaro: We do not need to amend. The item is done for now. The vote is four to remove, one no and one silent. Let us go to the next item, the Northern Leg Western Bypass.

Ms. Yukimura moved to delete the monies for the Northern Bypass road in Kōloa, seconded by Mr. Kualii.

Chair Furfaro: Wally, may I ask a question on that? Is any of this work for the bypass road and part of the C.F.D. funds or is that a future phase?

Mr. Rezendes: I do not think it is part of the three approved items on the list.

Chair Furfaro: Councilmember Nakamura, we are moving on the discussion to remove the Northern Leg Western Bypass, we have a motion and second. Mr. Rapozo?

Mr. Rapozo: Wally, I do not know how familiar you are with this item, and I know we had this discussion at the budget. I just want to verify my information is accurate. This project is on the S.T.I.P. The State S.T.I.P.? So this is a project that is planned to receive some State funds to complete? You are checking? Okay. I believe it is. I think, and again?

Ms. Yukimura: It is.

Mr. Rapozo: It is on? That is fine. That is okay, Wally.

Chair Furfaro: Do we want to wait if he has any new information before we call the vote?

Mr. Rapozo: Could I make a comment really quick?

Chair Furfaro: Go ahead.

Mr. Rapozo: We discussed this at length. It is part of a S.T.I.P. project and I understand Councilmember Yukimura's concerns and I think it will be detrimental and take away from the condition of Kukui'ula. I am not going support removing those funds.

Chair Furfaro: What is the motion on the floor?

Ms. Yukimura: To remove the funds.

Chair Furfaro: It was seconded by Mr. Bynum?

Mr. Rapozo: Mr. Kualii.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Let us do a roll call vote.

The motion to remove \$400,000.00 for the Northern Leg of the Western Bypass road in Kōloa, was then put and carried by the following vote:

FOR REMOVAL: Bynum, Chang, Yukimura	TOTAL-3,
AGAINST REMOVAL: Nakamura, Rapozo, Furfaro	TOTAL-3,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0,
SILENT: Kualii	TOTAL-1.

Chair Furfaro: The motion failed, 3-3. Excuse me, read the Council votes by name back to me. The motion was to remove the \$400,000.00 on the Western bypass leg. That was the motion. Who by name, who voted for it? One moment, let us get an interpretation from Ricky Watanabe.

Mr. Rapozo: So the item is removed.

Chair Furfaro: Yes. It requires four votes. Next item is the 'Ele'ele project removal. That motion was from Vice-Chair Yukimura.

Mr. Kualii: Mr. Chair, before we move on, can I still revisit my vote and not be not silent.

Chair Furfaro: Let us have a motion to reconsideration. Ask one of your colleagues for a motion to reconsider.

Mr. Kualii: If my vote was silent and I was registered with the prevailing side then I can ask for reconsideration.

Chair Furfaro: Absolutely. Great interpretation. So you are going to ask for a motion to reconsider?

Mr. Kualii: I am going to ask for a motion to reconsider.

Mr. Rapozo: Second.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Kualii do you want me to call a new roll call?

Mr. Kualii: If I could say one quick comment and that is why I was indecisive. I am concerned about the loss of Federal funds that are already in place. Also with some of the things other Councilmembers have expressed.

Chair Furfaro: Ok there is a second to his motion? Okay. Discussion?

Mr. Bynum: What was the motion?

Mr. Rapozo: To reconsider. May I hear just overall, all those in favor of the reconsideration?

The motion to reconsider was then put, and unanimously carried.

Chair Furfaro: Now on that note, any further dialogue before I call for the vote? Mr. Bynum?

Mr. Bynum: I have been watching this S.T.I.P. for 18 years and it is not uncommon for projects to fall out and come back. I do not think the State or Feds will get upset with us. The issue with the Northern leg is that we did -- we did a whole transportation plan for Kōloa and they said it was not the highest priority and we have these bypass roads and we never even made the connectors, which would relieve traffic and solve some of this problem. So I have a really hard time supporting, even though it is Federal money into a project that was not -- that our professional planner said was not the highest priority and we could wait 20 years. And we just had a successful C.F.D. and the bonds were sold and the County is going to get money to use for projects that we identified. I just do not think this is a high-priority for all of our transportation needs. In reality, watching the stip, it may mean that money goes to another County for now. I am still supportive of removing this for those reasons.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Vice-Chair Yukimura?

Ms. Yukimura: Yes, I supported the motion to reconsider, because I want Councilmembers to be comfortable with what vote they choose and also informed. The thing about the S.T.I.P. money now is that it is only the beginning of a lot more funding that will be needed. And at least \$4 million of County monies, which I do not believe Kūkū'ūla is supplying. It is going to be

County money and then what this does it ties us into an assumption of a lot of other supporting roads, and expansion and I think if we look at oil becoming more than \$100.00 a barrel, \$6.00 a gallon, and people laughed at me when I said \$5.00 and we are almost there. We are going to have to have a new way of doing transportation on this island and the long-range land transportation plan is the time to discuss that and make decisions. So to just move ahead with a project that is far in the future in terms priorities does not make sense and also a project that is going to tie you into enormous funding into the future. And enormous funding -- there is so much funding we have to do, the Wailua bypass and widening of the road to Līhu'e, the widening of the road to the Tree Tunnel and then to Kōloa. There needs to be rethinking on this. We need to do that before we commit ourselves to a project like this.

Chair Furfaro: I am about ready to call for the vote? I voted no and I will vote no again on the removal of this. I do not think it is as easy as standing in land anymore with the shrinking Federal funds. I would at least like to be line to know that I do not have to get back in the line later, regardless of what direction we are going. That was my vote for no the first time. I do not disagree with some of the comments that Councilwoman Yukimura is saying, but S.T.I.P. funds will not come that easy. Councilmember Nakamura?

Ms. Nakamura: I am concerned, but feel I do not have enough information and I feel a need for a separate Council briefing on this matter and a better understanding of the context within which this recommendation actually looking at the plan it was in the priority section. Unfortunately it was and that is what it was based off of. There are concerns of why it got there and why it became on the top of the list. So I would like to ask for that briefing through the Committee of Public Works.

Chair Furfaro: We can have that, but today is about decision-making.

Ms. Nakamura: Yes, in the future.

Chair Furfaro: You will have to vote one way or the other now. Is there anybody who has not spoken to the item before we call for the vote? I am sorry. We have got much more to do here. We all know this is a reconsideration.

Ms. Yukimura: I move to amend.

Chair Furfaro: Okay.

Ms. Yukimura moved to amend by putting the moneys into a contingency fund that would be subject to a meeting and more information and a final vote on the Council, seconded by Mr. Rapozo.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Any discussion on that? Mr. Bynum?

Mr. Bynum: This is tough. And Councilmember Nakamura what she just said is correct. I will bring this to a Committee, if my Committee is appropriate as soon as possible, because I think we need that big-picture look. There are other elements to this. There is political history and it is a pretty convoluted, thing. So if we could have an amendment that approves the fund now, but keeps the expenditure from occurring until we can have a discussion, that would be a reasonable compromise.

Ms. Yukimura: May I clarify my motion?

Chair Furfaro: You may.

Ms. Yukimura: To put it in a contingency fund. Excuse me, Jade, we have done that before. It would just be a contingency fund. We have done that before, right? Thank you.

Mr. Rapozo: I guess for the benefit of Councilmembers Kualii and Nakamura and Chang and maybe even Bynum, I think the Kukui'ula rezoning was in 2003. I do not believe you were here. Mr. Chair, JoAnn and myself were here and I do not know the reference to political history but when we made those decisions we approved the zoning. We attached conditions to that zoning and one condition was this northerly road. To put it in a contingency fund, I am not sure what it would do. We already have a contingency fund with a \$150,000.00 or so in there. If you put it in a contingency fund, what does that do? Require a Council vote. This project is in motion, it is on the S.T.I.P. It is like our bike path. I have some concerns about our bike path too but it is there. It is approved. It is ongoing and I am not going to bring it up. Let it go because this is the direction that County decided years ago and the same thing here. I think, if we touch this, we affect the project and I would ask – I am not going to support it and I hope that we retain the money in this account, the northern – we just call it the northerly western leg and we need to get the project accomplished and that is the pressure we put on the Administration to get it done rather than putting obstructions in the way. I will not be supporting it.

Chair Furfaro: I am not going to go around a second time for discussion. If anybody wants to speak on this matter that has not spoken before on the reconsideration, if not, roll call, please.

Ms. Yukimura: I vote on the amendment.

Chair Furfaro: On fact it has been amended is what we are voting on, okay? And make sure everybody understands if you vote to put it in a contingency fund you have to go through this dialogue again to take it out.

FOR AMENDMENT: Bynum, Nakamura, Yukimura	TOTAL-3,
AGAINST AMENDMENT: Chang, Kualii, Rapozo, Furfaro	TOTAL-4,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: Now to the main motion. It has not changed for me since 2003. Let us vote on the main motion.

FOR MOTION: Bynum, Yukimura	TOTAL-2,
AGAINST MOTION: Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Furfaro	TOTAL-5,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: Now we are going to go— I think we are at the 'Ele'ele program. Are you coming right back, Mr. Bynum?

Mr. Bynum: I am.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Look, we are going to take a ten-minute break. We are going to resolve this capital piece for the items that show up in the capital pieces and review the operating pieces so that they do not come up on Monday again.

There being no objection, the meeting recessed at 6:23 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:35 p.m., and proceeded as follows:

Chair Furfaro: Just a reminder for everyone, CIP, although we made a couple changes here, we will be having a CIP only discussion. Again, the idea we are putting together all your wish list in the Operating piece is to have that discussion and end those items today. The exception, Mr. Bynum has a reservation for fourteen (14) minutes on his tax piece but probably will not be until Monday now.

Mr. Bynum: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. You are squared with that?

Mr. Bynum: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Let us go to the discussion about the 'Ele'ele project removal, that is in operations, am I right? And that is an amount that is not on your chart but it is seven hundred and sixty-four thousand, five, forty-six (\$764,546.00). Oh, did I have it wrong? Scott, tell us what it is.

Mr. Sato: 734,546.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, so I gave you seven, six. It is 734,546 okay?

Ms. Yukimura: It is in the Housing Revolving Fund however, it is a restricted fund I believe and Mr. Chair if after we do a strategic plan that this is deemed to be a high priority project I am willing to go back to it but until we really know its feasibility, I do not think we should spend a lot of money in planning or even construction. Again, if it is shown to be a feasible project and a high priority in the mix of housing projects then I will be happy to support funding for it.

Chair Furfaro: I just wanted to say that I do not plan to support removing right now but I supported earlier putting sixty thousand in to get a housing strategic plan in. I think the money needs to be there if the outcome is a strong viable product, it is there, so I just wanted to declared myself and you understood what I am... I supported the Housing strategic plan but I do not want to touch that money.

Mr. Bynum: I will try to go through this quickly, this is about land that we purchased in 'Ele'ele Nani, before that especially after the economy turned, I lobby the Administration to look at other alternatives especially closer in the Lihu'e. I really have a lot of concerns that Councilmember Yukimura has regarding this however we purchased the land, we own it, the Housing Agency is moving forward on this and I kind of... I think it needs to move forward, so I am not going to support removing this because it is a work in progress and not only do we own that land but we own it with restrictions that we cannot use it in other ways. I had serious concerns about those, I would have voted against doing some of those things but now that we are there it is like, okay we had made that decision and I want to support the Housing Agency and the work that they are doing moving forward on this.

Mr. Rapozo: I am not going to be supporting the removal. Again, we have had a lot of discussion and the Housing Agency, I think has done a really good job in getting this project moving and I do not want to see the money removed.

Ms. Nakamura: This is another situation where I know there is history there and I think it is again a topic of another separate meeting just to focus on this project and to understand what are the moving pieces and decision points. I am just hesitant to remove it and not having the context again.

Ms. Yukimura: I just want to say that it is prime Ag land and I guess they are going before the Land Use Commission to get it rezoned which is one of the issues again about this whole thing and that is why there is so much... it actually removed good Ag land from Kaua'i Coffee, I think. Just... why there are so many questions about it, I will leave it at that.

Chair Furfaro: We have a motion and a seconded?

Ms. Yukimura moved to remove the line item for the 'Ele'ele Housing Project in the Housing Revolving Fund, seconded by Mr. Kualii, and carried by the following vote:

FOR REMOVAL: Yukimura	TOTAL – 1,
AGAINST REMOVAL: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Furfaro	TOTAL – 6,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL – 0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL – 0.

Chair Furfaro: Let us go to the next item, the next item is software for Real Property Tax Evaluation and this estimate is my number, I want to make sure that it was referenced by Mr. Bynum and I put that in based on the fact that I thought it should be in the Council budget, so I just wanted to make sure I made that statement before we move forward.

Mr. Bynum: I think thirty thousand is a good number, thank you, Chair. It is for the Council budget. I would just say that it should say “software/consultant services” to make it more flexible and this is about having... and Real Property is committed to working with us so we have access to this information... read only kind of access to this financial information but it is going to mean training some people here on our staff and software – that kind of thing. I think... is that accurate, Wally?

Mr. Rezendes: I guess. I think this maybe an Administrative/Legislative matter as well so I am not sure where this item would stand from a legal perspective.

Chair Furfaro: Well, we will do this, we will call for a vote on this today and if the County Attorney would like to make contact with me because there is a legal concern – we can take it from there. I would like to call for the vote.

Ms. Yukimura: Are you concerned about it being more of a Administrative matter than a Legislative one?

Mr. Rezendes: Yes, right.

Ms. Yukimura: But if you bill it as training, that is a really...

Mr. Rezendes: (inaudible) software... manipulation of statistics or numbers on the Real Property software, it is going to be a takeoff from the Real Property system which is last I checked... Real Property Assessment is an Administrative function.

Ms. Yukimura: But it is not designed to... it is for information only right, it is not to...

Mr. Rezendes: And usually you would get the information from the Administration.

Mr. Bynum: Do not get me started, please.



Chair Furfaro: Well, I am not going to give you the floor, so you do not have to get started. Now, I have told the Finance Chair, you raised a good question and I am going to make a query with the County Attorney but I would like to call for a vote. There is a motion and second to add software for Real Property Tax indexes as well as consultant services.

Mr. Bynum moved to add software for Real Property Tax index as well as consultant services, seconded by Ms. Nakamura.

Mr. Bynum: The Chair probably recalled earlier in the year, we had some dialog about having the consultant come here and provide training for our staff, do you recall this Chair?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: And so this is about be able to have access to public data in a way that I think is helpful for both sides – Administration and if there legal questions, they can raise them but at one point we were trying to bring them over but the timing did not work out.

The motion to add software for Real Property Tax index as well as Consultant Services, was then put and carried by the following vote:

FOR ADD: Bynum, Kualii, Nakamura, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL – 5,
AGAINST ADD: Chang, Rapozo	TOTAL – 2,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL – 0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL – 0.

Chair Furfaro: We are going to the next item which is the Salt Pond Geology Study and I do want to let you know I just think something needs to be done there to understand the natural flow of a resource that you pretty much only find in Kaula County. It would probably satisfy a number of queries we have and especially help us have a document that we could fall back on when we have other things in that area with the State. I would like to see if I can get the support for that. I need somebody to make the motion other than myself.

Ms. Yukimura moved add Salt Pond Geology Study, seconded by Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I am supportive of this, the Chair has talked about this for a while and so I want to be supportive, my daughter is graduating from KCC, my wife is outside the door and I promised her that I would leave. I hope my vote is not needed for some of these other things because I generally (inaudible) some other questions about a few of them but thanks for letting me... but if you need me to stay for the vote, I will hang around for a minute.

Ms. Yukimura: I just need to know where my motion put these moneys. Are we putting it in Planning?

Chair Furfaro: Economic Development is where I would like to put it.

Ms. Yukimura: Economic Development? They will definitely need a position.

Chair Furfaro: And those are the kinds of things that we have the outreach but for us to have a place that is *wahi pana* such as salt ponds and its value across the State and not understanding how nature works there, we are not doing any justice.

Ms. Yukimura moved to put ninety thousand for Salt Pond Geology Study in the Office of Economic Development, seconded by Mr. Chang.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum, we are going to take a vote here right after Mr. Rapozo. Mr. Rapozo, did you want to speak.

Mr. Rapozo: No. I know he has to leave so let us just call for the vote.

Mr. Bynum: I am sorry.

Mr. Rapozo: No, you do not have to apologize.

Chair Furfaro: Did you want to say something real quick?

Ms. Nakamura: I just want to say that I think this needs to lead into a Master Plan for Salt Pond.

Chair Furfaro: Absolutely.

Ms. Nakamura: That this is a first step of a longer planning product that we can...

Chair Furfaro: And hopefully we can get the State to participate with us since they got an airport and helicopters going in and out – a whole bit... all I want to do is find myself, how do we preserve the *pa'akai* and knowing how the *pa'akai* work.

The motion to put \$90,000.00 for Salt Pond Geology Study in the Office of Economic Development was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Bynum, Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-7,
AGAINST ADD: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you Members and thank you for supporting this.

Mr. Bynum was noted excused from the Budget Decision Making Meeting.

Mr. Rapozo: This was something that KipuKai and myself went out to a community meeting and prior to us leaving, you had given us the assurance that you would support the funding of a study and we did relay to the community members at that meeting. They were very excited and it was basically through my negligence or I just failed to follow up and so I appreciate you putting this back in. The other thing that we did talk about was possibly setting up a sub-Committee to work on salt pond issues and that is something that we can also consider at a future date. I am glad to see the ninety thousand in there, you made good on your word and I think the community will be very happy. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: The next is the CAC piece by putting sixty-four thousand in there and I want to make sure I clarify something before I ask Mr. Rapozo to make the motion. I was instrumental in putting the second eighty-five thousand in there to have a consultant to help them. We have in this...

Ms. Yukimura: What is that?

Chair Furfaro: The CAC – the Kekaha Group that has the landfill stewardship. I forgot the (h) but I put this together just from hearing all you folks. Now, we arbitrarily said we are going to set the CACSI by giving six hundred fifty thousand dollars in the initial year. For the years thereafter, we were contributing, Wally, I believe it was fifty right, each year that goes into that Kekaha CAC fund?

Mr. Rezendes: Yes, for the services, yes.

Chair Furfaro: It is fifty every year.

Mr. Rezendes: I believe so.

Chair Furfaro: But what is now happened, I know we had testimony that people were looking for that to the increase by another one time contribution of a million dollars and I am sorry I do not think we can go there. But we recently increased the funding, I mean the tipping fees from fifty dollars to ninety dollars and we have calculated the amount we give them based on one dollar for every tonnage. Now, if our revenue is now at ninety dollars per ton, this only represents appropriately putting in another eighty cents for every dollar going forward. I think it is since we cannot be going backwards at a million, I think going forward whether we are there seven years, eight years, nine years... we should stay consistent with the parameters of what we said we would give and therefore we would have to add another twenty-four thousand dollars next year based on eighty cents more per ton and I am sorry I had the numbers that I arrived at for the last three years that would bring us to about twenty-four thousand but at the same time, I want to remind them when we do this, we need to make sure that we reconcile it based on the actual tonnage each year because if everything should work well with us and we do a MERF, we should be putting less in there. This was my rationale here to bump it by another sixty-four thousand dollars. I will leave it at that. My second piece is the fact that this would be the third year that we gave them a consultant and I think we are not so much at a consultant level like a Planner but maybe more like a consultant from a standpoint of making sure that they fundamentally have a CPA looking at the request to manage the fund versus having another Planning activity. The discussion right now is the rationale about raising another eighty cents based on the tipping fees we are now charging but if I could ask Mr. Rapozo to make that motion.

Mr. Rapozo: Well, I do want to make a motion to increase it to a million, I do not think I will get a second.

Chair Furfaro: I misinterpret, you will not get a second from me.

Mr. Rapozo moved to increase the Host Community Benefit Fund in the CIP, increase it by sixty-four thousand, seconded by Mr. Bynum.

Chair Furfaro: If I can make sure we understand, that is just an estimate, I do want it... but I do want it going forward to tie to actually tonnage of a dollar eighty a tonnage.

Mr. Rapozo: I am going along with this and it is a substantially lowered amount that I would like to have put in and realizing the tough economic times, I am going along with this. Like you said, you have a rational practical formula that is objective but I will say this and I do not know how long I will be here but I have a feeling that the landfill is going to be in Kekaha's backyard for a long time. I think we are going to see a lot more expansions and I think we are going to see possibly building a new landfill out in Kekaha, that is also an option that I have not erased simply because of the trouble it takes to actually develop one. I will say this that in fact I am still here and Kekaha gets task with or gets selected or they are forced again to house that landfill

then I will be seeking substantial amounts of money for the Host Community Benefit because I think they deserve it. They need to get their CAC on track but I believe that community deserves substantial Host Community Benefit but as of this moment, I will definitely support you.

Chair Furfaro: And again, I just want to say I wanted to be rational, objective and that is why I came up with a dollar eighty. On the flipside, I do not disagree that if we were going to look at a onetime substantial infusion that then maybe that is something that can be considered in a future bond rather than the tipping fee. Any further discussion on this, we have a motion to increase the CAC funding approximately sixty-four thousand dollars.

The motion to put sixty-four thousand dollars to the Host Community Benefit was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-6,
AGAINST APPROVAL: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: Bynum	TOTAL-1,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: We are going now to the CEDS study, I think there is some duplication on what I suggested we do a narrative earlier but I am going to leave this discussion to Councilmember Nakamura.

Ms. Nakamura: It might be easier if I just go through the first item there, the CEDS study to move two hundred thousand from the technical study General Plan. Right now there are technical studies that are being commissioned and there is a line item that is in the CIP budget to do the work. There is also an additional two hundred fifty thousand dollars in there to do the General Plan update. Now the General Plan update will not happened... the technical studies will take about a year to eighteen months to do, so there is no need for the two hundred fifty thousand dollars. The idea is to move some of the funds to implement some of the CEDS studies and projects. There is a handout that you all received with the breakdown on the types of projects that would be follow up to last years budget approval. Unfortunately, we are going to be briefed on the results of the feasibility studies later on this month and early next month, so we had to... because of the budget process, kind of get in front of that but there will be follow up on the multispecies processing facility modular slaughter house, the next step would be to do a business plan, an organizational development plan, site selection plan, site control and at the same time do a beef quality study. The next project is the incubation commercial kitchen, again the next steps there would be to do a business plan, organizational development, seek additional... leverage our county funding to get outside funding and then implement. Then on the digital media facility, again, doing a business plan, organizational development work, all of that would be contracted studies that would be through the Office of Economic Development to Kaua'i Economic Development Board to carryout the studies. There are projects related to arts and culture having a facility feasibility study to look at multiuse facility that would also take a look at the multiuse arena and have discussions to see what is the best way to approach it on Kaua'i and involve all of the stakeholders. Councilmember Yukimura talked about the Keiki to Career action plan that is also on this list. Under sustainable technologies and practices, there is a need to look at what are the economic opportunities once we recycle materials and develop a MERF and while that is being worked on, we also need to look at what do we do with the materials once we separate them and what is the market for these materials? Finally, the Wailua Golf Course strategic plan and business plan, that we have discussed earlier.

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Ms. Nakamura: So when you add all of that up there is a need to move these funds in order to cover those expenses and then the next line is to find thirty-eight thousand five hundred dollars to complete those studies and then we would, I think the next line might be... is that the duplication that you are talking about Chair?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Ms. Nakamura: I am not sure what that third line is about...

Chair Furfaro: Make reference to the title for everyone.

Ms. Nakamura: General Plan.

Chair Furfaro: Yes, that is not part of this discussion.

Ms. Nakamura: Okay, so we can take that out.

Mr. Rapozo: The General Plan?

Ms. Nakamura: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: So, here is the summary is on the worksheet that Councilmember Nakamura shared with you. It is actually moving two hundred thousand from technical studies in the General Plan to CEDS with actually adding an additional thirty-eight thousand five which is summarized in her worksheet which gets you to the four, fifty from the transfer getting a total to a four hundred and fifty thousand and then adding new money of thirty-eight, five to get us the total amount of four, eighty-eight. The only increase in moneys is the thirty-eight thousand.

Ms. Nakamura: And again, we will be briefed on all of these projects or at least the top three in the coming months and the others, at a future date.

Ms. Yukimura: So, the clarification is we move two hundred thousand to the CEDS in the Office of the Economic Development?

Ms. Nakamura: No... this is in the...

Ms. Yukimura: It moves to CIP?

Ms. Nakamura: It is in the CIP fund and the idea is to keep it in the CIP funds under... move it to the CEDS line item.

Ms. Yukimura: Which already have two hundred fifty?

Ms. Nakamura: Exactly.

Ms. Yukimura: So, that is a total of four hundred fifty and what you need is that additional thirty-eight thousand?

Ms. Nakamura: Exactly.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay, thank you.

Ms. Nakamura moved the amount of \$200,000.00 from technical studies in the General Plan to CEDS and added an additional \$38,500.00 [which is summarized in her worksheet which gets you to the four, fifty from the transfer getting a total to a four hundred and fifty thousand and then adding new money of thirty-eight, five to get us the total amount of four, eighty-eight] for a total amount of \$488,000.00 for CEDS, seconded by Ms. Yukimura, and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-6,
AGAINST APPROVAL: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: Bynum	TOTAL-1,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: Those pieces are done and now we are going to travel reduction...

Ms. Yukimura: East Kaua'i.

Chair Furfaro: Oh, I am sorry. East Kaua'i Development Plan - fifty thousand.

Ms. Nakamura: This is to complete the East Kaua'i Development Plan which is been really languished for a while. It is starting up again, there is a commitment from the Department to complete it, there is a need for some additional funds to get it through the review process to get it through the Citizens Advisory Review process, to get it through the Planning Commission review process and bring it up to the Council with a draft document and an ordinance, so this is to complete it. Just to give you some perspective, this started off with a budget of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, there was an increase to about... I think it got increased it to four hundred fifty thousand, so this would take it up to five hundred thousand dollars but keep in mind that the Lihu'e development plan budget is nine hundred thousand dollars. The Kōloa Development Plan is at six hundred fifty thousand dollars, so considering what this project has gone through, I think this is a reasonable request.

Ms. Nakamura moved to increase fifty thousand dollars to complete the East Kaua'i Development Plan, seconded by Ms. Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: I am real glad to see that we are resurrecting the planning and bringing it to fruition, I know a lot of hard work has been put into it by both consultants and the citizens. It is not the way we want to do our plans but that era hopefully is over and we are embarking on a hopefully wonderful planning process. Thank you for bringing it to completion.

The motion to increase fifty thousand dollars to complete the East Kaua'i Development Plan was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-7,
AGAINST APPROVAL: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: Bynum	TOTAL-1,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: I do want to hit all of these here, travel reductions – there has been some discussion from Councilmember Kualii and I do want to point out it is my understanding that the travel budget for the Administrative Offices have been reduced once already, is that correct? Okay, and I also want to make sure you also understand the travel budget for the Council has not been touched. We need to be dealing possibly with some equity here and I believe Mr. Kualii, you had a worksheet for us?

Mr. Kualii: I want to wait on this, I may not be introducing it. If we can go through the rest and I...

Ms. Yukimura: On Monday?

Mr. Kualii: Yes, maybe on Monday.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. Let us go to the removal of vehicle leases –undecided at this point too?

Mr. Kualii: Yes, I think I want to wait on this one also.

Chair Furfaro: Okay.

Mr. Kualii: The other thing I wanted to mention is that we did throw this out as wish list but we were still going to go by Departments?

Chair Furfaro: What I am going to do is this, we threw these wish list items out and I am going to vote on them now with the exception of now travel, removal of vehicle leases and the discussion on the Legal Advisor for the Police Department.

Mr. Kualii: (inaudible)

Chair Furfaro: The chill box is out... so, those three items. Everything that we vote on here, I am not planning on revisit but if we have mutual agreement to pick these three things up later then that is fine. Now, I am going to the Food Bank increases after getting the verifications from... is this no longer on the list?

Mr. Kualii: No, it is still on the list.

Chair Furfaro: It is still on the list?

Mr. Kualii: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, you have the floor.

Mr. Kualii: Mr. Chair, I just want to clarify, so I thought that the twenty-eight thousand would have been encumbered or added in and I thought that the thirty thousand would become fifty-eight. But that is not the case. The thirty thousand is the new figure for the new year.

Chair Furfaro: Right.

Mr. Kualii: So, with that in mind when I met with the Director of the Food Bank, I got some extensive information and actually I was really excited about it because I first sort of... heard more about it...

Mr. Chang: Excuse me. I am sorry. Can we just clarify that we are talking about the Kaua'i Independent Food Bank.

Mr. Kualii: That is correct – the Kaua'i Independent Food Bank who already started the pilot project with the EBT at our markets and then the confusion with the other

twenty-eight thousand was with their SNAP project where they had all that difficulties and so their program got on hold. That is why that twenty-eight thousand was not delivered because it was in the SNAP program. But in there, EBT at the markets program, it was incredibly successful and we heard about it get the Get Fit Kaua'i annual meeting and that is where I met the new Executive Director from the Food Bank for the first time and the young woman who actually works at the Food Banks issuing the selling the 2 for 1 EBT programs. In fact, they are at four markets and from this past Fall – month after month it has just been growing and growing and their most successful markets are at KCC and Kapa'a and literally from month to month, they were growing by like thirty percent, forty percent. What they want to do is expand to even more market, so to go from four markets to eight markets and they also want to give more of a benefit to the families because right now they have to limit it because it is such a limited amount of funding to just five dollars. A family comes with five dollars in EBT and they match it with an additional five dollars, so now instead of five dollars, they have ten dollars to spend. Well if you might imagine, a families that are in this situation cannot do very much with ten dollars, but it is of course exposing them to the market place and to fresh vegetables and it has been incredibly successful. With forty thousand dollars, they could increase the amount of what they are giving to each individual and they could also go into several more markets and so that is what I am asking for – is the increase from thirty thousand to forty thousand, an increase of ten thousand dollars.

Mr. Kualii moved to increase the Kaua'i Independent Food Bank by ten thousand dollars, a total of forty thousand dollars instead of thirty thousand dollars, seconded by Ms. Nakamura.

Ms. Yukimura: When I talk to them, they basically wanted fifty-eight thousand and I thought that would cover their work. I am sure everybody could use more but if we are talking necessity and need for everybody.

Mr. Kualii: You said fifty-eight thousand.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes.

Mr. Kualii: Where do you have the...

Chair Furfaro: He had the twenty-eight plus the thirty...

Ms. Yukimura: Right, they are going to have thirty thousand that they requested plus twenty-eight thousand for this fiscal year because they are encumbering it now.

Mr. Kualii: That is the part that I was not clear from Ernie, I did not think that the twenty-eight was still available to them.

Ms. Yukimura: It is.

Chair Furfaro: It is.

Mr. Kualii: And the twenty-eight thousand is going to be used for the EBT program?

Chair Furfaro: It can be, yes.

Mr. Kualii: It can be, okay.

Ms. Yukimura: So, I am thinking that with the twenty-eight plus the thirty, we are giving them a hundred percent of what they asked for.



Mr. Kualii: It is fifty-eight thousand.

Mr. Rapozo: I do not want to doubt anybody but I do not know if Wally has an answer, what I heard from Ernie was that the contract was rescinded, that is what I heard from Ernie.

Chair Furfaro: I heard from him, he invalidated what contract they had and they are pursuing a new procurement.

Mr. Rezendes: With the recertification of the...

Chair Furfaro: With the recertification of the group.

Mr. Kualii: So the thirty thousand in the budget plus the twenty-eight thousand that is re-contracted that will give them a total of fifty-eight thousand?

Mr. Rezendes: Yes.

Mr. Rapozo: The twenty-eight thousand is from this year?

Mr. Rezendes: Current.

Mr. Rapozo: It is not new money.

Mr. Kualii: Yes, they are still serving this.

Mr. Rezendes: Fiscal 12 money.

Mr. Rapozo: Correct, so as we move into Fiscal Year 13 which is what the budget we are looking at, what are they getting from the County?

Mr. Kualii: Thirty thousand.

Mr. Rezendes: They will get the thirty for 14.

Mr. Rapozo: The thirty thousand.

Mr. Rezendes: For 14.

Mr. Rapozo: No twenty-eight thousand?

Mr. Rezendes: The twenty-eight thousand will be done... Ernie was stating that the twenty-eight thousand would be... the intent would be to complete that certification and contract this year.

Mr. Rapozo: With this years funds?

Mr. Rezendes: Correct.

Mr. Rapozo: You are going to encumber?

Mr. Rezendes: That is the intent.

Mr. Rapozo: For the twenty-eight thousand?

Mr. Rezendes: That is correct.

Chair Furfaro: And start the year with the new amount of thirty.

Mr. Rapozo: So, that twenty-eight thousand does not exist. In the new year going forward, we have allocated thirty thousand dollars from the County of Kaua'i.

Chair Furfaro: Which is two thousand more than what they gotten on regular years.

Mr. Rapozo: That is what I understand is going to happen. So, it is not fifty-eight thousand. It is thirty thousand, currently.

Mr. Kualii: That is what I understood in my meeting with the Executive Director was that with... they would want the 241 funding level to be raised to forty thousand to accommodate the growing number of participants and to expand into the other markets to basically copy the huge successes they already been having in the markets that they are in. They said that the investment is returned to the County in a form of additional revenues according to USDAs report. For every five dollars the economic benefit is nine dollars and twenty cents. Clearly this is a direct benefit to our families that are going to the market but there is a direct benefit to our farmers who are selling at the market and the multiple layers of benefit and economic development in our community is a good one for ten thousand dollars more.

Ms. Yukimura: It is a wonderful program and there has been great success and I talked to Mr. Ranger this morning and he said there is a thirty thousand coming, there is twenty-eight thousand that is going to be encumbered, he did not care how he got it. Either it lapsed and was put in the budget or he would encumber it and have it basically for expenditure in the next fiscal year. I think their request is fulfilled.

Chair Furfaro: I have to tell you what I conversation with him, I had it twice. First conversation is, why have you not gotten that money secured in this year and he basically said I am just filling a new position and I am getting my feet in. The second time I saw him, I said have you secured that twenty-eight thousand that needs to be encumbered now, and he said Jay, I am doing that right now with the office and I said you will use it for next year, and he said yes he would. I understand you come onboard and you have not had a lot of time to recruit for money or raise money but you got to get the right information to the Office of Economic Development and I think you might have to restart securing that money. I left that meeting feeling for the year, he was going to get fifty-eight thousand... twenty-eight plus thirty. I think that is where I am going to stay because I really appreciate you going to bat for that effort Mr. Kualii but what he told me and the late start they had and so forth, they were going to get fifty-eight thousand and now I understand their nose is to the grind stone to secure it that way.

Mr. Kualii: When Councilmember Chang talked about the Invasive Species and Councilmember Yukimura suggested you are not asking for anything, go ahead and make a motion and I have been prepared to proposed for cuts to help in this fiscal responsibility and that is the only thing I am asking for – ten thousand.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, I will go this way sir, I will support the extra ten thousand but I am going to tell you right now, if they do not do what they need to do to secure that twenty-eight thousand, then do not come and see me over spilt milk because you did not get the

money. That is where I will be. Okay, any further discussion? The vote on the table is a motion to increase that by ten thousand dollars and you folks heard my condition about not extending any encumbering.

The motion to approve ten thousand dollars to the Kaua'i Independent Food Bank was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-6
AGAINST APPROVAL: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: Bynum	TOTAL-1,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: I want to complete this list today so let us go to the KIS twenty-five increase, we got fifty thousand in there, Mr. Chang, you know my position, it is time for the State to step to the plate but we put this one in and you have to make the motion.

Mr. Chang: I agree with you a hundred percent that we have to rally our troops and get the State involved however, I am requesting twenty-five thousand dollars increase. I think it is very much needed, we had that presentation that you assisted us with and I think the sad part of about is, again I use that phrase out of sight out of mind and I think there is a lot of things going on within our valleys and mountains and soon to be neighborhoods so I think that that is the small portion that we can donate these exceptional people do that work that they do.

Chair Furfaro: I did hear from Councilmember Yukimura that she would be willing to second this?

Ms. Yukimura: Yes, I seconded it.

Chair Furfaro: Any further discussion?

Ms. Yukimura: As we recognized it, this is not just about conservation and environment, it is really about economic development. The cost of invasive species to farming to impact on visitors is tremendous and the group that is doing this uses money so efficiently and effectively, so I think it is worth this and we should send the message and actually should include it in our Legislative Package to seek State funding. This is a critical thing; I think they are worried about mongoose actually arriving on the island. The bee issue, I mean we have such a premium for market for queen bees and the honey industry but if (inaudible) and others come here, it is extremely dangerous. I think it is worth it, prevention is far more effective.

Chair Furfaro: I do not doubt it and I have been a very big advocate for this but I just want to say to all the political subdivisions, get in the game...

Ms. Nakamura: I am going to support this as well, thank you Councilmember Chang. When we had the conservation workshop, there were many organizations doing wonderful things on this island. I think this is one of many organizations similar to the Youth Development, I think we need a policy and knowing that the State is responsible for this and does not have the resources to do a lot, I think we should move in a policy direction of trying to support and facilitate the good work that is done out there. I would like to have that discussion in the future.

Chair Furfaro: Let us put it in somebody's Committee and I think I made my point, let us all get in the game. Any further discussion before I call for the vote?

Mr. Rapozo: I just would say what I said years ago when I spoke to the Big Island Council about the coqui frogs and they said Mel, we would put in five million dollars today if we knew we would get rid of the frog and that is all I need to know. I will definitely support this.

Ms. Yukimura: The wonderful thing about the conservation groups is- they work together so well and they match a lot of private funding in the conservation effort too. Those are advantages to help with them.

The motion to increase twenty-five thousand dollars to the Kaua'i Invasive Species Committee was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-7,
AGAINST APPROVAL: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: Bynum	TOTAL-1,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: It is now 6:20 and I want to remind all of you, the latest we can go is 6:37. We have about four items to do here and then we need to talk about how we are going to approach the funding on this. The next item is the feral cat task force.

Ms. Nakamura moved to put thirty thousand dollars in the Office of Economic Development to bring all the different stakeholders together to develop Kaua'i solution to the issue of feral cats on Kaua'i. There was a lot of discussion when Councilmember Rapozo introduced a Resolution on trap, neuter and release at which lead to this... identifying the needs for a community discussion. This is to fund a process to come up with very specific results and that would be very inclusive to all the different stakeholders, seconded by Ms. Yukimura.

Chair Furfaro: I want to make sure you all understand, this is a process to have the discussion to find out if there is any reasonable solutions, this does not mean that we are committed to all the various pieces but coming out with a strategy and for that reason, I will support it.

The motion was then put and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Chang, Kualii, Nakamura, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL-6,
AGAINST APPROVAL: None	TOTAL-0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: Bynum	TOTAL-1,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL-0.

Chair Furfaro: Kapa'a Elementary Dolphin matching funds. I want to share with you in my opinion that we need to not specify a specific school but we need to talk about perhaps a Dolphin Club type activity, so that other schools can apply to.

Ms. Nakamura: After school?

Chair Furfaro: Yes, after school. I want to make sure this is a dangerous precedent by earmarking which school. I do not know what they call the Dolphin Program in a mission statement or if somebody has something similar that...

Ms. Nakamura: It could be after school matching funds.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, I like that better. I do not want to get confused with what the State is supposed to do with after school funds.

Ms. Nakamura: Very different from A+.

Chair Furfaro: I just want to make sure we are all square about A+ because there seems to be diminishing amount of State support even at the City and County of Honolulu, they limited the afterhours and the summer fun programs, they are short money so a lot of State funds are not going to be coming into programs like this.

Ms. Yukimura: I will second it for discussion. I think the program sounded like a wonderful thing and again there are a lot of wonderful programs but I am very concerned that we are entering an area that has not... that actually will open up the flood gates and how we defined how we are going to fund it is a real concern. I do support the idea of... I do believe County government has a role in supporting the development of young people and so... but I am hoping that part of the cradle to career will help define what role that would play. I think it is a bigger issue than it appears and I mean maybe we can do a one shot thing but no more until we develop some kind of conceptual idea about how we give out these moneys otherwise you will see in our next budget, we are going to have a thousand applications.

Mr. Rapozo: I agree with Councilmember Yukimura. The County does have an opportunity for these agencies to secure funds through the Anti-Drug Office for programs.

Ms. Nakamura: Not this time.

Mr. Rapozo: They got denied?

Ms. Nakamura: It has to be a best practice.

Mr. Rapozo: I do not know. I just saw the list of recipients of some County Anti-Drug funds and I did not see too many best practices and again like the Hawai'i Childrens Theatre – it is a County facility that is charging the money and I think that separates... that makes it different for me. This one here, I tell you, I would agree that we would get a lot of request, we get them a lot as Councilmembers just individual for individual contributions. I agree it is a good program but I do not know if we should be getting in that arena. I do support the program but again I think and if we are not... if for some reason the Anti-Drug Office is not awarding these money to groups like this which provided Anti-Drug the opportunity then I think we explore why but I know the Pop Warner for a coaches clinic, we receive money from the Anti-Drug Office and that is not a best practice. I would challenge the Anti-Drug Office to open up their barriers if there are any but it will be difficult for me to support this.

Mr. Chang: The very, very unfortunate conclusion is that there are so many schools and well deserved programs that are out there and I know that a lot of the schools through their parent/teacher conference does a lot of their own fundraising and I just to probably say on a personal note that I am sure if we do fund one school then the flood gates are going to be open and I think people are going to personally come up to us with personal relationships and it is very difficult to explain to them. I think if you do it for one, it is hard not to do it for everyone. I believe there are a lot of people out there that wish that we could fund them and I just believe that it is going to open up a whole different can of worms if you will. I just think it is a very difficult call.

Mr. Kualii: I did want to say that this was one of those that I have been thinking too... like in the Mayor's budget, there is Special Projects and there are things like JPO picnic and Boys and Girls Club and in the Parks & Recreation budget – special projects there are K-PAL and good beginnings, so maybe that going to the Mayor is more appropriate for something like this.

Ms. Nakamura: I hear a lot of discussion about opening up the flood gates, Good Beginning Alliance gets twenty thousand dollars to do Pre-kindergarten summer program for seventeen children. Child and Family services gets twenty-five thousand dollars to do a Pre-school summer program for children under four years old and they have not provided how many students are (inaudible). As Councilmember Kualii mentioned, of course K-PAL also receives ten thousand dollars, Councilmember Yukimura's organization Boys and Girls Club is receiving funding, I have a hard time with this concept with opening of flood gates because the flood gates are already opened. Why are we now saying that we are... this past year, we had fifty-one million dollars sitting in our bank because it was not expended. This year we are bringing over twelve million dollars from the previous year budget because it was sitting in our bank. This program will serve four to five hundred students every school year and what is wrong with that?

Chair Furfaro: I do not think anything wrong with it but I want to be careful with what you said about the financial issues because we had fifty-one million but we took twenty-five of it to set up a reserve, so that was earmarked. We had nine million that went to projects in the year for the year that we budgeted. Now we are using about six of that to get us started, so I just want to make sure that the public understands that it is not that we are sitting on fifty-one million.

Ms. Nakamura: I am just using from a previous CAFR number. My feeling is that yes we need to look at a broader policy for this County and I believe that after school enrichment programs is a policy that benefits so many children, that could benefit so many more if you get the PTSA's involved that are raising funds and saying just come to the table with matching funds because there are not a lot of funding out there for these programs and operating programs like this. I can count votes as well but I really do not think we should wait around for the policy, let us get programs like this going and develop a policy while we are contemplating how we should approach it in the future.

Chair Furfaro: I just want to say also, I understand your passion for this and I just want to say, in my hometown the State is talking about discontinuing bus service to go to public school, that is the kind of situations that we are in. That is what I am thinking that some of us are aware of and I can support this right now if it is a one time deal but until we have a policy, the State is (inaudible) they are scratching all over for money and basically getting yourself to school is at risk for a lot of parents because the State does not have that kind of money.

Ms. Yukimura: I think we definitely need more quality after school programs and I know Councilmember Nakamura has been really instrumental in developing the programs at Kapa'a Elementary School. I am thinking... a lot of the programs that you mentioned are tied into summer fun programs or some connection to the County – KPAL, right now... I think the buildings of Boys and Girls Club they are using buildings that are part of the County facilities. I would be in favor of developing a policy that does show how we would do this rather than just jumping into the policy before that. I think with some really clear rules and guidelines that we could – well at least we could look at how it would work.

Chair Furfaro: Shall I call for the vote?

The motion to approve funds for the After School Programs (Dolphin Club) was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR APPROVAL: Kualii, Nakamura	TOTAL – 2,
AGAINST APPROVAL: Chang, Rapozo, Yukimura, Furfaro	TOTAL – 4,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: Bynum	TOTAL – 1,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None	TOTAL – 0.

Chair Furfaro: I am going to end today over here but I want to make some rules very clear to you folks. We at are what started off as a wish list of one million three hundred twenty-five thousand two, ninety-five – we have next from the wish list eight hundred sixty thousand dollars. Leaving us the wish list right now is at three, sixty-five, two, ninety-five. If you take the programs that were there – fifteen thousand, two hundred thousand, five thousand... that is eight, sixty – round numbers. Take the eight, sixty away from the one million three, twenty-five, we are still talking about a wish list of three hundred sixty-five thousand dollars in round numbers. Do you want to challenge my round numbers?

Mr. Chang: No. But I would think it is closer to four hundred thousand dollars.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, well I do not know what you might have had that fall into the CIP category and so forth and let me finish the discussion. I am not opening up the wish list for Operations when we get together on Monday because you thought of something when you was eating shaved ice at Pono Kai. We are not doing that. What we still have on the list are items that deal with the travel reduction, the removal of vehicle leases, the Parks and Recreation volunteers appreciation, the CEDS for Kapa'a, the CEDS for KEDB – okay? Let me finish... so, when we finish this, we will have a number because we have to find the money folks, okay? So, I am not entertaining building this to find more money. Then when we go to the Operating Department's, if there is something that you want to specifically want to talk about, that operating department then we will discuss it again. But I am not opening the door for wish list again. You better have a very good way to approach that based on the fact that we did all the new positions, we did all the over time. We have a policy now on dollar funded positions, now when we get into the CIP discussion, three items fell into category now but we are now going to have a separate discussion about CIP. This is the operating wish list and we just cannot go on like this. We are going to have basically two working days to finish this, find the money and we still have to talk about revenues and looking at the fact that we might increase the twelve million five that we are starting the budget with, with other anticipated surplus money.

Ms. Nakamura: Chair, there was one item that was not added to this list.

Chair Furfaro: Which item was that?

Ms. Nakamura: I will give you the information – in Planning Department.

Chair Furfaro: Just give me the description item right now.

Ms. Nakamura: So it would be... I do not have it in front of me... Planning Department – Other services adding twenty thousand dollars.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, to the list of items that we have not touched on, we are adding Planning Department other services twenty thousand, we have CEDS for twenty thousand for KEDB, we have CEDS for twenty thousand for KPAA, we have volunteer recognition for ten thousand, we have removal of vehicle leases and we have travel reductions, along with discussion on the legal advisor. When we finish that we are going to establish where we are getting that three hundred and sixty-five thousand, two hundred ninety-five dollars that Mr. Chang has different math than I do but we have to establish that and then move on... move on... is everybody okay with that?

Ms. Yukimura: So, you do not mind cuts being proposed?

Chair Furfaro: Absolutely not.

There being no objections, the decision making process was recessed at 7:44 p.m.