The Special Council Meeting of the Council of the County of Kaua‘i was called to order by Council Chair Arryl Kaneshiro at the Council Chambers, 4396 Rice Street, Suite 201, Lihu‘e, Kaua‘i, on Friday, May 15, 2020 at 9:01 a.m., after which the following Members answered the call of the roll:

Honorable Mason K. Chock
Honorable Felicia Cowden
Honorable Luke A. Evslin (via remote technology)
Honorable Ross Kagawa
Honorable KipuKai Kuali‘i
Honorable Arryl Kaneshiro

Excused: Honorable Arthur Brun*

Council Chair Kaneshiro: Please note that we will run today’s meeting pursuant to the Governor’s Supplementary Emergency Proclamation dated March 16, 2020, Sixth Supplementary Emergency Proclamation dated April 25, 2020, and Seventh Supplementary Emergency Proclamation dated May 5, 2020.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: The first item is the approval of the agenda.

Councilmember Kuali‘i moved for approval of the agenda, as circulated, seconded by Councilmember Cowden.

(No written testimony was received regarding this agenda item.)

Council Chair Kaneshiro: Any discussion on the agenda from the members?

The motion for approval of the agenda, as circulated, was then put, and carried by a vote of 6:0:1*.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: The motion is carried. Next item please.

COMMUNICATION:

C 2020-135 Communication (05/07/2020) from the Mayor, submitting his Supplemental Budget Communication for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 and Proposed Amendments to the Budget Bills, pursuant to Section 19.02A of the Kaua‘i County Charter.
Councilmember Kuali‘i moved to schedule C 2020-135 for a public hearing on May 27, 2020 at 8:30 a.m., and refer to the June 3, 2020 Council Meeting, seconded by Councilmember Kagawa.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: With that, I will suspend the rules as we do have one (1) person that called in to provide oral testimony.

There being no objections, the rules were suspended.

GREG PACILIO (via voicemail message): Good morning, I got this number from The Garden Island regarding testifying in remotely regarding the County budget for Fiscal Year 2021. My name is Greg Pacilio. I do not know how much time I have on the answering machine or if this is the right number. My number is 346-5972 if you can get that information to the right person. I do want to support funding parks, playgrounds, the island wide bike path, and especially skate parks. We did have some plans for the Hanapepe Town Park. I have five (5) points of strong support that I would like to go through for consideration regarding the budget. If I do not get the beep, I will run through them quickly. We did submit over three hundred (300) signatures and roughly one hundred (100) people were present for a Planning Department meeting in West Kaua‘i at the Waimea Theater on September 6, 2019, all in support of skate parks. Other County groups like the Built-Environment Task Force and Skate Park Working Group recommendations are to go ahead with the planning and eventually budgeting and completion of skate parks for Kaua‘i. It is a healthy activity that works with both mental and physical health. It affects multi-diverse people, multi-generational people, and affects diversity of not just gender and abilities, but race, ethnicity, and every type of diversity. I will speed it up. There is enormous island wide support for this. I have been involved with it through the Wilcox Hospital and other organizations, too many to name. I have seen so much support that I have seen so much diverse island wide support for this. As a healthcare provider, I see the benefits of a healthy, outdoor lifestyle especially for our youth that need things to do. For mental health, taking it as far as isolation and suicide prevention, these are all things that skate parks are helpful towards. They are safe places for people to skate as compared to the streets and business plazas. As a homeowner with children, I really want to support this for my kids and for my community. Thank you. This was Greg Pacilio, 346-5972, if needed. Aloha.

The meeting was called back to order and proceeded as follows:

Council Chair Kaneshiro: That was the only piece of testimony that we received today. Is there any discussion from the members?

The motion to schedule C 2020-135 for a public hearing on May 27, 2020 at 8:30 a.m., and refer to the June 3, 2020 Council Meeting was then put, and carried by a vote of 6:0:1*. 
ADJOURNMENT.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: This concludes our Special Council Meeting. Not seeing or hearing any objections, this meeting is now adjourned.

There being no further business, the Special Council Meeting adjourned at 9:06 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JADE K. FOUNTAIN-TANIGAWA
County Clerk

*Beginning with the March 11, 2020 Council Meeting and until further notice, Councilmember Arthur Brun will not be present due to U.S. v. Arthur Brun et al., Cr. No. 20-00024-DKW (United States District Court), and therefore will be noted as excused (i.e., not present).