PUBLIC HEARING

FEBRUARY 19, 2020

A public hearing of the Council of the County of Kaua'i was called to order by Arryl Kaneshiro, Chair, Committee of the Whole, on Wednesday, February 19, 2020, at 1:51 p.m., at the Council Chambers, 4396 Rice Street, Suite 201, Historic County Building, Līhu'e, and the presence of the following was noted:

Honorable Arthur Brun (present at 1:53 p.m.)
Honorable Mason K. Chock
Honorable Felicia Cowden
Honorable Luke A. Evslin
Honorable Ross Kagawa
Honorable KipuKai Kualii (present at 1:52 p.m.)
Honorable Arryl Kaneshiro

The Clerk read the notice of the public hearing on the following:

“Bill No. 2770 – A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. B-2019-856, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF KAUA'I, STATE OF HAWAI'I, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020, BY REVISING THE AMOUNTS ESTIMATED IN THE SOLID WASTE FUND (Kekaha Landfill Transition Funding and Equipment – $1,312,000.00),”

which was ordered to print by the Council of the County of Kaua'i on January 29, 2020, and published in The Garden Island newspaper on February 5, 2020.

The hearing proceeded as follows:

(Councilmember Kualii was noted as present.)

SCOTT K. SATO, Deputy County Clerk: We received no written testimony and have one (1) registered speaker. The first speaker is Alice Parker.

Committee Chair Kaneshiro: Alice.

ALICE PARKER: Greetings Councilmembers. We have got to do something about the fill we put...

Committee Chair Kaneshiro: Alice, could you please state your name for the record, please?

Ms. Parker: I am sorry. Alice Parker for the record, thank you. I forgot who I was. We have got to do something about the input to the Kekaha Landfill. I know I am late. I did not get up early and read Gary Hooser’s article who said to “Get there.”
(Councilmember Brun was noted as present.)

Ms. Parker: We do need to enact the ban for the use of Styrofoam containers. We need to reduce the feeding of the Kekaha Landfill with everything. It is a mountain. We need to help to preserve the planet for our future generations. This ban will inspire consumers to think before using non-compostable items, hopefully. Yes, it brings higher costs to businesses, but they can share this cost by increasing purchase prices to customers. We all must take care of our Mother Earth. It is the only home we have now. Thank you. Mahalo.

Committee Chair Kaneshiro: Thank you. Anyone else? Anyone else in the audience wishing to testify on this Bill? Seeing none, this public hearing is now adjourned.

There being no further testimony, the public hearing adjourned at 1:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

SCOTT K. SATO
Deputy County Clerk