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MEMORANDUM

January 16, 2025

TO: Derek S.K. Kawakami, Mayor

FROM: KipuKai Kualī'i, Council Vice Chair *K.K.*

RE: **JANUARY 16, 2025 COUNCIL MEETING RECAP**

This is to inform you of the action taken by the Council at its January 16, 2025 Council Meeting:

CONSENT CALENDAR:

C 2025-18 Communication (11/01/2024) from the Mayor, transmitting for Council consideration and confirmation, the appointment of Paul Gerard Toner to the Salary Commission – Term ending 12/31/2027. *(Received for the Record.)*

C 2025-19 Communication (11/08/2024) from the Mayor, transmitting for Council consideration and confirmation, the appointment of Nancy Ann Kanna to the Salary Commission – Partial term ending 12/31/2026. *(Received for the Record.)*

C 2025-20 Communication (11/19/2024) from the Mayor, transmitting for Council consideration and confirmation, the appointment of Francis Ka'awa to the Building Board of Appeals (At-Large) – Partial term ending 12/31/2025. *(Received for the Record.)*

C 2025-21 Communication (12/05/2024) from the Director of Finance, transmitting for Council information, the Condition of the County Treasury Statement quarterly report as of February 7, 2024 and May 6, 2024. *(Received for the Record.)*

C 2025-22 Communication (12/19/2024) from the Mayor, transmitting for Council consideration and confirmation, the reappointment of Nathan A. Wood *(Building/Construction)* to the Building Board of Appeals – Term ending 12/31/2027. *(Received for the Record.)*

COMMUNICATIONS:

C 2025-23 Communication (12/10/2024) from the Fire Chief, requesting Council approval to apply for, accept, and expend a United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG), to fund the purchase of one (1) Type V Fire Engine, totaling \$352,727.00, to enhance the Kaua'i Fire Department's ability to better access and combat off-road, brush, and wildland fires. This is an "after the fact" request, as the AFG application was submitted in March 2024. *(Approved.)*

C 2025-24 Communication (12/11/2024) from the Deputy Director of Planning, requesting Council approval to accept and expend funds from the Hawai'i State Department of Health (HDOH) in the amount of \$75,000.00, and to indemnify the State of Hawai'i, which will support training for County staff to implement multi-modal transportation plans and projects, with a focus on improving health equity and creating safer, more inclusive transportation systems, with no local match needed. *(Approved.)*

C 2025-25 Communication (12/18/2024) from the Executive on Transportation, requesting Council approval of the County of Kaua'i, Transportation Agency's submittal of its current Title VI program to the Hawai'i Department of Transportation's Office of Civil Rights, as a recipient of Federal Transit Administration funds, which has been updated, reviewed, and approved through consultation with the Office of the County Attorney. *(Approved.)*

LEGAL DOCUMENT:

C 2025-26 Communication (12/13/2024) from the County Engineer, recommending Council approval of a License Agreement between the State of Hawai'i, Agribusiness Development Corporation (ADC) and the County of Kaua'i, a political subdivision of the State of Hawai'i, to construct the installation and perform quarterly monitoring of groundwater wells to a depth of approximately fifteen to twenty feet below the ground surface and contained within a small borehole diameter of eight inches, situated at Tax Map Key (TMK) No. (4) 1-2-002:001 (por), Kekaha, Kaua'i, Hawai'i, to install two (2) groundwater monitoring wells upgradient from Kekaha Landfill.

- License Agreement No. LI-K-23-03 *(Approved.)*

CLAIM:

C 2025-27 Communication (12/23/2024) from the County Clerk, transmitting a claim filed against the County of Kaua'i by The Law Offices of Kaiteris & Kavanagh, PLLC, as subrogee of Joseph Iorio, for personal injury and medical bills, pursuant to Section 23.06, Charter of the County of Kaua'i. *(Referred to the Office of the County Attorney for disposition and/or report back to the Council.)*

COMMITTEE REPORTS: APPROVED.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 2025-11 – RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYORAL APPOINTMENT TO THE SALARY COMMISSION (*Paul Gerard Toner*) (***Approved.***)

Resolution No. 2025-12 – RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYORAL APPOINTMENT TO THE SALARY COMMISSION (*Nancy Ann Kanna*) (***Approved.***)

Resolution No. 2025-13 – RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYORAL APPOINTMENT TO THE BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS (*Francis Ka'awa – At-Large*) (***Approved.***)

Resolution No. 2025-14 – RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYORAL REAPPOINTMENT TO THE BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS (*Nathan A. Wood – Building/Construction*) (***Approved.***)

BILLS FOR SECOND READING:

Bill No. 2936 – A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8, KAUAI COUNTY CODE 1987, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO ZONING DESIGNATIONS IN WAILUA, KAUAI (*County of Kauai Planning Department, Applicant*) (*ZA-2024-1*) (***Approved.***)

Bill No. 2937 – A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8, KAUAI COUNTY CODE 1987, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO ZONING DESIGNATIONS IN HANAPEPE, KAUAI (*County of Kauai Planning Department, Applicant*) (*ZA-2024-2*) (***Approved.***)

Bill No. 2938 – A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15A, KAUAI COUNTY CODE 1987, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE KAUAI COUNTY FIRE CODE (***Approved.***)

Bill No. 2939, Draft 1 – A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. B-2024-896, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF KAUAI, STATE OF HAWAII, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025, BY REVISING THE AMOUNTS ESTIMATED IN THE GENERAL FUND, HIGHWAY FUND, G.E. TAX FUND, SOLID WASTE FUND, SEWER FUND, AND GOLF FUND (***Approved.***)

Thank you for following up as appropriate, including confidential routing to any appropriate parties, and please do not hesitate to contact me or Council Services Staff if you need further information. Please note that this memorandum presents a summary of the action taken, and reference should be made to the official minutes for a complete record.

cc: KCT Department Heads (*Via Email*)
KCT CCs (*Via Email*)
Council Services Staff (*Via Email*)