CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS

COMMUNICATIONS

From Finance Director Deanna Sako, dated March 3, 2016, transmitting the above report pursuant to Hawai‘i County Code Section 2-12.3.
From Finance Director Deanna Sako, dated March 14, 2016, transmitting the above report pursuant to Hawai‘i County Code Section 2-12.3.

From Controller Kay Oshiro, dated February 17, 2016.

From Controller Kay Oshiro, dated March 16, 2016.

Comm. 163.1: 2015 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC ACCESS, OPEN SPACE, AND NATURAL RESOURCES PRESERVATION COMMISSION
From Mayor William P. Kenoi, dated February 25, 2016, transmitting the above report pursuant to Hawai‘i County Code Section 2-217. The Mayor provides a detailed summary of the purchasing history and status of the lands purchased with the fund, an accounting report, a statement on management and stewardship of the lands, and requests that the Council accept the updated prioritized list as provided by the Commission.

Comm. 623.4: MONTHLY BUDGET STATUS REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDED JANUARY 31, 2016, FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
From Finance Director Deanna Sako, dated March 3, 2016, transmitting the above reports pursuant to Hawai‘i County Charter Section 6-6.3(h).

From Controller Kay Oshiro, dated March 8, 2016.

Comm. 767: REPORT OF ISSUANCE AND SALE: GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS 2016 SERIES A, B, C, D, E, AND F
From Finance Director Deanna S. Sako, dated March 16, 2016, transmitting a report of sale and issuance of $235,765,000 County of Hawai‘i General Obligation Bonds.

Comm. 772: REQUESTS DISCUSSION REGARDING COUNTY’S TAXING AUTHORITY, CURRENT AND POTENTIAL REVENUE SOURCES, AND RELEVANT STATE LEGISLATION
From Council Member Margaret Wille, dated March 17, 2016.
Comm. 795: NOMINATION OF EMMA Y. SOUSA TO THE PENSION BOARD
From Mayor William P. Kenoi, dated March 7, 2016, submitting for the Council’s review and confirmation the above nomination.

ORDER OF RESOLUTIONS

BILLS FOR ORDINANCES

Establishes a one-half percent general excise and use tax surcharge to be levied from January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2027, for the purpose of funding operational and capital costs of public transportation systems, including roads and highways, buses, pedestrian and bicycle paths, sidewalks, and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Reference: Comm. 751
Intr. by: Mr. Onishi

Bill 181: AMENDS ARTICLE XIII, SECTION 13-4 OF THE HAWAI‘I COUNTY CHARTER (2014), RELATING TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
The amendments would apply to boards or commissions established by the Charter, and would: 1) allow council members to appoint members to boards or commissions composed of nine members with district residency requirements if a seat remains vacant for more than 90 days; 2) allow a member appointed for a term of two years or less to be eligible for two additional full terms, and in other cases members would be eligible to serve one additional full term; 3) allow a member, whose term has expired, to serve until a successor is confirmed; and 4) remove language pertaining to political party.

Reference: Comm. 798
Intr. by: Ms. Wille

ADJOURNMENT

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- Waimea Council Office, Holomua Center, 64-1067 Māmalahoa Highway, Suite 5.

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- Conference Room adjacent to Hisaoka Gymnasium, Kamehameha Park Complex, 54-382 Kamehameha Park Road, Kapa‘au;
- Nā‘ālehu State Office Building, 95-5669 Māmalahoa Highway, Nā‘ālehu; and
- Pāhoa Neighborhood Facility, 15-2710 Kauhale Street.

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