COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

3rd Session

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Hawai‘i County Building
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawaii‘i

February 4, 2019
9:45 a.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS

COMMUNICATIONS

Comm. 9.5: MONTHLY BUDGET STATUS REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2018, FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
From Finance Director Deanna Sako, dated January 4, 2019, transmitting the above report pursuant to Hawai‘i County Charter Section 6-6.3(h).
**Comm. 11.2:** REPORT OF FUND TRANSFERS AUTHORIZED: DECEMBER 1 – 15, 2018, AND DECEMBER 16 – 31, 2018

From Controller Kay Oshiro, dated January 7, 2019.

**Comm. 29:** REQUESTS A PRESENTATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES TO PROVIDE STATUS OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS FOR HIRING PRACTICES AS OUTLINED IN AUDIT REPORT 2017-03 FROM THE OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR


Postponed: January 22, 2019

(Note: There is a motion by Ms. Lee Loy, seconded by Ms. Kierkiewicz, to close file on Comm. 29.)

; and

**Comm. 29.1:** From Human Resources Director William V. Brilhante, Jr., dated January 17, 2019, requesting Comm. 29 be postponed.

**Comm. 57:** SECOND QUARTER CLAIMS REPORT: OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2018

From Claims Investigator/Adjustor Clifford D. Victorine III, dated January 4, 2019, transmitting the above report pursuant to Section 2-9 of the Hawai‘i County Code.

**Comm. 62:** SECOND QUARTER REPORT OF PERSONS EMPLOYED UNDER A CONTRACT FOR LESS THAN 90 DAYS: OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2018

From Human Resources Director William V. Brilhante, Jr., dated January 4, 2019, transmitting the above report pursuant to Section 2-12.5 of the Hawai‘i County Code.
Comm. 67: 2018 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC ACCESS, OPEN SPACE, AND NATURAL RESOURCES PRESERVATION COMMISSION
From Mayor Harry Kim, dated January 2, 2019, 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. 73: 2018 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX BOARD OF REVIEW
From Real Property Tax Board of Review Chairman Melvin Ventura, dated January 15, 2019, transmitting the above report pursuant to Hawai‘i County Code Section 19-97(e).

Comm. 77: NOMINATION OF LAWRENCE L. HEINTZ TO THE BOARD OF ETHICS
From Mayor Harry Kim, dated January 16, 2019, submitting for the Council’s review and confirmation the above nomination.

Requires Council Confirmation by: March 1, 2019 (Section 13-4(l), Hawai‘i County Charter)

Comm. 78: NOMINATION OF JUDY GREENBAUM TO THE SALARY COMMISSION
From Mayor Harry Kim, dated January 16, 2019, submitting for the Council’s review and confirmation the above nomination.

Requires Council Confirmation by: March 1, 2019 (Section 13-4(l), Hawai‘i County Charter)

Comm. 90: THIRD REPORT FROM THE REAL PROPERTY TAX REVIEW WORKING GROUP AND AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE
From Finance Director Deanna Sako, dated January 3, 2019. The report provides three recommendations for consideration by the County Council and the Administration: Repeal Solar Water Heater Tax Credit, Repeal the Non-Speculative Residential Program, and Procedural change to Real Property Tax classification.
ORDER OF RESOLUTIONS

Res. 740-18: AUTHORIZES THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS (DHHL) FOR THE COUNTY OF HAWAI’I TO RECEIVE REIMBURSEMENT FUNDS FOR SPEED HUMP INSTALLATION ON PROPERTY HELD BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS

DHHL would provide a share of the costs of the County’s installation of speed humps along the entire length of Pakele Lane in Keaukaha.

Reference: Comm. 1147
Intr. by: Ms. David (B/R)
Postponed: November 1 and 19, 2018

(Note: There is a motion by Ms. O’Hara, seconded by Ms. Eoff, to recommend adoption of Res. 740-18.)

Res. 20-19: AUTHORIZES THE EMPLOYMENT OF A PRIVATE ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT THE COUNTY OF HAWAI’I IN LITIGATION AGAINST OPIOID MANUFACTURERS WHO MAY BE LIABLE TO THE COUNTY OF HAWAI’I FOR THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC

The Office of the Corporation Counsel requests the Council’s approval to hire Napoli Shkolnik PLLC and its local counsel, the HI Accident Law Center, with any and all compensation to be provided from potential settlement or award amounts.

Reference: Comm. 12
Intr. by: Ms. David (B/R)
Postponed: January 8, 2019

(Note: There is a motion by Ms. Kierkiewicz, seconded by Ms. Villegas, to recommend adoption of Res. 20-19.)
**BILL FOR ORDINANCES**

**Bill 19:** AMENDS CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 45 OF THE HAWAI‘I COUNTY CODE 1983 (2016 EDITION, AS AMENDED), RELATING TO THE GENERAL EXCISE AND USE TAX SURCHARGE

Increases the general excise and use surcharge from one-quarter percent to one-half percent beginning January 1, 2020, and amends the sunset date of December 31, 2020, to December 31, 2030.

Reference: Comm. 81
Intr. by: Ms. David (B/R)

**ADJOURNMENT**

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