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1	1	(Monday, April 9, 2012, 10:05 a.m.)
2 COUNTY OF MAUI, STATE OF HAWAII	2	* * *
3	3	CHAIR STONE: First, I would like to say aloha
4 Approved 5/7/2012	4	to everyone for attending this public meeting of the
5 Approved 3/1/2012	5	Charter Commission. My name is Josh Stone, and I am the
6	6	Chairman of the Commission. If you need, there are
7 CHARTER COMMISSION	7	copies of our agenda for today's meeting available for
8 REGULAR MEETING	8	everyone with Lisa Kahuhu. Lisa, please raise your hand
9	9	to the vast crowd out there.
10	10	(Laughter.)
11	11	CHAIR STONE: Before we begin public
12	12	testimony, we have a few items of business to address.
13	13	Firstly, I would like to call this meeting as of to
14 Held at the Planning Department Conference Room,	14	order as of 10:00 a.m. We'll just ignore that it's
15 250 South High Street, Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii, commencing	15	actually 10:06.
16 at 10:05 a.m., on Monday, April 9, 2012.	16	Also, I would like to recognize all of the
17	17	Commissioners that are present or excused. Lisa, do we
18	18	have any excused Commissioners today?
19	19	MS. KAHUHU: Yes, Chair. Flo Wiger and Artemio Baxa are excused.
20 Reported by: Tonya McDade, CSR, CRR	20 21	CHAIR STONE: Very good. Thank you.
21 Certified Shorthand Reporters Maui Wells Street Professional Center	22	I would like to present our staff today,
22 2145 Wells Street, Suite 302 Wailuku, Hawaii 96793	23	starting with Lisa Kahuhu. Thank you for being here
23 (808)244-3376 reporters@csrmaui.com	24	today, Lisa. She is our Deputy Corporation Counsel
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1 ATTENDANCE 2 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Joshua A. Stone, Chair 3 Wayne N. Hedani, Vice-Chair Artemio C. Baxa, Member, (In, 10:12 a.m.; out 12:16 4 p.m.) Stephanie S. Crivello, Member 5 David P. DeLeon, Member Frank R. De Rego, Jr., Member 6 Clifford P. Hashimoto, Member Susan A. Moikeha, Member 7 Linda Kay Okamoto, Member Yuki Lei Sugimura, Member 8 STAFF PRESENT: 9 Sherry P. Broder, Commission Analyst Lisa Kahuhu, Supervising Law Technician 10 ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: 11 Rob Parsons, Executive Assistant to the Mayor 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	Office, Rob Parsons. Oh, excuse me.  Lisa, congratulations on your promotion.  MS. KAHUHU: Yes.  CHAIR STONE: Let me go back and restate that.  Lisa Kahuhu, Mayor of Maui County.  (Laughter.)  CHAIR STONE: Oh, once again. This is fast track, Lisa.  (Laughter.)  CHAIR STONE: Okay. Let me go back again.  Lisa Kahuhu, Supervising Law Technician, promoted from garbage disposal. Very good. Also, Executive Assistant to the Mayor, Rob Parsons. It's been a very good weekend. Rob, thank you for being here. Very good.  And, of course, a special thank you and welcome to Sherry Broder.  MS. BRODER: Aloha.  CHAIR STONE: Aloha, Sherry. She is our Commission Analyst. And, also, last, but definitely not least, Tonya McDade, our never-failing court reporter.  Tonya, thank you for being here.  And happy belated Easter to everybody.

Page 5 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Second. CHAIR STONE: Oh, thank you very much. Yeah, 1 CHAIR STONE: It's been moved and seconded. 2 okay. Now I remember. Thanks, Lisa. So this is provided to us in reference to looking at the pros and And that was moved -- for your benefit, Tonya, Wayne cons, Lisa? Is that what we're in discussion about? made a motion to accept the minutes, it was seconded by 5 MS. KAHUHU: I believe for that, and just, 5 Commissioner DeLeon. 6 also, to give you an idea of how Council handled it the 6 Any discussion on our minutes? 7 last session, with how the alternatives are proposed. (No Response.) 8 CHAIR STONE: Very good. Without objection, COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Oh, okay. 9 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Thank you. we shall approve the minutes. Thank you very much. 10 MS. KAHUHU: For information. 10 And now we shall move to public testimony. I 11 CHAIR STONE: Thank you. Thank you. I would go ahead and give public testimony rules, but I don't think I am going to need to today. understand. So this is what came back from the Council 12 13 Members to the Charter Commission as -- as proposals, 13 Lisa, do we have our first public testifier? 14 alternatives to their --MS. KAHUHU: Chair, no one has signed up for 15 MS. KAHUHU: Yes, the last round. 15 public testimony this morning. CHAIR STONE: Very good. 16 16 CHAIR STONE: Whoo. Okay. Well, before I 17 close public testimony, I would like to put it out to 17 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: With no pros and cons. 18 CHAIR STONE: Do we have any discussion on any members of the public that if they would like to testify, they're welcome to come forward at this time. 19 this? 20 Frank noted that there's no pros and cons. Going once, going twice. Very good. I will close 21 That's a good point, Frank. 21 public testimony, without objection. And if there are no objections -- I will not 22 Yes, Kay. 23 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Well, I looked through 23 record anything into the record because we have no 24 public testimony; however, we do need to record into the 24 it. And I just thought it would have been nice to have 25 this kind of stuff early on. It kind of was -- you 25 record -- Lisa, did we have any written testimony? Page 6 Page 8 MS. KAHUHU: No, Chair. There is no 1 know, it was interesting to go through and see what they communications. 2 were saying. And, obviously, they thought there were 3 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Just to be safe, Chair too many 10 years ago. And it would have just been -- I will accept and file all public communications for the 4 would like to -- you know, if we make a packet of record, if there happen to be any, by chance. Very 5 recommendations for the next one, that they get all that good. Thank you. as -- sort of early on. 6 Okay. Moving on down our agenda. We have no CHAIR STONE: Very good. Good recommendation, 7 7 8 Communications. 8 Kay. Moving on to Historical Informational Any further discussion? And go ahead, Dave. Material. We have Resolution No. 02-63, dated May 21st, COMMISSIONER DELEON: It's just oddly timed 10 11 2002. And that is in reference to proposing an 11 because, you know, the Council's meeting on this right 12 alternative amendment to the Revised Charter of the 12 now, at this moment. So -- so we'll see how they handle 13 County of Maui (1983), as amended, relating to citizen 13 it, you know, as a matter of fact. And probably have a 14 advisory committees. Can somebody please refresh my chance to go up and watch some of it because they memory and remind me which Commissioner thought we 15 started public testimony at 9:00 this morning. should bring this forward as a review? 16 CHAIR STONE: Very good. And just to point 17 MS. KAHUHU: Chair, Dave DeLeon mentioned out, this meeting was not strategically planned at the 17 18 that -same time as the Council's review of our proposed 19 CHAIR STONE: Oh, busted. 19 amendments. 20 MS. KAHUHU: -- we should review the committee 20 We would like also to recognize Commissioner 21 report from the previous. 21 Baxa has entered the building. 22 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Oh. 22 COMMISSIONER BAXA: Thank you, sir. 23 MS. KAHUHU: So this is what was provided to 23 CHAIR STONE: Good to see you. Thank you for 24 you folks to give you an idea of how they do their 24 coming today. alternatives. 25 COMMISSIONER BAXA: I am late.

Page 9 Page 11 CHAIR STONE: Not late. That's just Hawaiian 1 necessary to include pros and cons with our public 1 2 time. 2 outreach? Go ahead, Dave. 3 Okay. Any further discussion on this -- this 3 COMMISSIONER DELEON: I actually don't. I Historical Information? mean, there's some of them that, you know, like how can you argue -- what's the pro of, say, having a shorter 5 (No Response.) CHAIR STONE: Okay. Very good. We'll be term for the mayor -- I mean, shorter residency 6 7 moving on down the agenda. requirement for the mayor? I mean, maybe if George Moving to Agenda Item Number IV, Charter Clooney moves here, you know, for 90 days and we decide to make him mayor. I don't know. You know, I don't --Commission Final Report. And you guys have all gotten a nice beautiful Final Report packet. It looks so much 10 I personally don't imagine this County electing anybody prettier like this. I got to say, it looks really, that hasn't lived here for a year. And I just don't see really pro. Good job, Lisa. Good job, Sherry. 12 what the downside of that would be. I mean, so -- some 13 MS. BRODER: Thank you. 13 of these that just don't seem to be downsides to me. 14 CHAIR STONE: Good job, everybody. 14 CHAIR STONE: Okay. In going through the pros Okay. So you guys have that there. Any --15 and cons list, I found there were a number of proposals 15 16 any discussion on just look layout? You guys happy with 16 I simply couldn't come up with a con on. And so that 17 17 made it a little irregular that, some of them, we just COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Good job. 18 18 have pros, and some of them, we have pros and cons. So 19 CHAIR STONE: Everybody is very happy. 19 -- but go ahead, Yuki. 20 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Mr. Chair? 20 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Probably if you look 21 CHAIR STONE: Yes. Go ahead, Mr. DeLeon. 21 at the education that we need to do for the general 22 COMMISSIONER DELEON: It's mistitled. If the CHAIR STONE: Yuki. Council's reviewing it and we have a chance to -- to 23 adjust it, it's not final. 24 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Oh. 25 CHAIR STONE: Commissioner DeLeon. 25 CHAIR STONE: Thank you. Page 10 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Final, okay. COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Okay. So probably CHAIR STONE: That is a very valid point. We what we need to do is just explain it in some way. But 3 have to wait and see whether or not they're stomping not necessarily say what's good or bad about it. And I 4 upstairs, pounding the tables. It's a little late to think -- I think, from what I -- what I gathered is that 5 it would be something that we come up with and then the change it now, though. COMMISSIONER DELEON: Yeah, I guess. Okay. Corp Counsel and Sherry has to -- has to approve what we 6 CHAIR STONE: Should we give Lisa a frowny 7 come up with as far as what the proposal is about, but face? 8 not necessarily good or bad. 8 CHAIR STONE: Very good. Go ahead, Cliff. 9 COMMISSIONER DELEON: No. 10 CHAIR STONE: There's Lisa. Go ahead. COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Chair, as I recall 10 MS. KAHUHU: I, actually, brought that up to 11 the last election, there were some explanations, some 11 12 Ed, it could be the initial report to the Council, but 12 sheets of information. I don't know whether anybody he said that's the way we should do it. So -- and they 13 remembers this, but there was someone there that handed did it the same way last time. The next report will be you this sheet, in the event the voter wanted to look at either the Revised Final Report or something of that 15 it, to get some understanding of what he was going to 16 nature, just like they did it last --16 vote on, in addition to electing different officials of 17 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Okay. 17 office. And I took the time to -- to read it to see 18 CHAIR STONE: So you get a big smiley face. 18 what was on it, did it help me understand what I was Congratulations, Lisa. Very good. Good to know. going to vote on. And it did, it made it a lot easier 20 Okay. So moving on to review discussion and 20 when I went into the box. So perhaps something like 21 action on possible pros and cons of the 11 Charter that would be sufficient. I'm not sure. I'm just --

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24 that.

22 maybe we can get an example of it to look at so

23 everybody can recall what that looked like, if we can do

CHAIR STONE: Very good. That's a good --

22 Amendment Proposals listed in our Final Report. I sent

23 out a list of -- sample list of pros and cons just to

24 start the discussion. I think where I would like to

start the discussion, really, is, do we feel it's

Page 13 1 good idea, Cliff. And that would help me, too. If I sense in the world. So maybe what we should do, because 2 were coming into some of these proposals, I would have 2 we're talking about just very simple explanations, maybe 3 absolutely no idea what we're talking about. I think what we should do is put together a special committee --4 what you're saying is reasons for. And I think that's is it a subcommittee or a special committee? MS. BRODER: Whatever you want to call it. 5 what we should probably be targeting, is why, reasons 5 6 for, such as why would you do this, why would you CHAIR STONE: A special subcommittee? 7 consider voting for this proposal. I don't know if it's 7 MS. BRODER: Special subcommittee. 8 necessarily correct to tell people why you wouldn't vote 8 (Laughter.) 9 for this proposal. Because as a group, we've moved q MS. BRODER: It should just be a committee 10 these proposals forward, and now, as a group, we should since you don't -- I mean, you only have one other be supporting these proposals. committee, right? Just PR Committee. 11 12 So, Stacy. 12 CHAIR STONE: So what we could do is put 13 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: I am just wondering if 13 together a committee, say, of three of us, that would 14 the ballot question is maybe sufficient, or do we want make the simple explanation, and bring it back to us to to expand from the questions. Because when I read the discuss. Because it doesn't make sense for all 11 of us 16 to come up with simple explanations. Or it can be 16 questions is when, okay, I get it. 17 CHAIR STONE: Uh-huh. 17 three -- it can be as many as we like, but -- and then 18 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: But that's me. So how come back, instead of doing the pros and cons. I prefer 19 do we take the question to educate the public? the why. That's why I like the special -- like as Stacy 20 CHAIR STONE: Good point. 20 said, a nice special -- or easy explanation. 21 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Josh? 21 Yes. Go ahead, Cliff. 22 CHAIR STONE: Yes. Go ahead, Yuki. 22 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Suggestion, Chair. 23 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: So this is from the 23 Why don't each Member choose the one that he perhaps has 24 brochure from last Charter Commission. It's Question 24 some problems trying to understand it by reading it as 25 Number 11, Salary Commission, should the terms of the 25 it's written, and -- and then try to make it more Page 14 Page 16 1 members of the Salary Commission be staggered so that 1 understandable by writing something out, changing --2 two of the nine members would be appointed to -- or 2 writing a narrative, trying to clear that -- make it 3 reappointed each year except the only one would be easier to understand for someone who has no background 4 appointed or reappointed every fifth year. And then 4 in this particular subject, because a lot of it is going 5 after that, it says, this change is designed to provide 5 to be new for the voter. Perhaps one of the Members 6 greater continuity to the Salary Commission. And 6 here can pick one of these out, whichever one gives them another point is, this change will reduce authority of the most trouble, and try to figure out the best way to an incoming member. So it tells you kind of background explain it to somebody. information, but not necessarily pros and cons per se. CHAIR STONE: That's a --10 CHAIR STONE: Yeah, I understand. 10 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: And then just submit COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: It explains it so that 11 11 it. And that way, you're not doing -- doing all of it, 12 the voter can get some --12 you know. 13 CHAIR STONE: Keeps it -- some of the items CHAIR STONE: That's a -- that's a very good 13 14 are very, very obvious. And then some of the items, proposal in the sense that there's 11 proposals and 11 such as the changes, where I had questions from people 15 Members, Commissioners, but -- but the only issue I in the public, were about what we were doing with the --16 worry about there is consistency because we want the 17 with the commissions and chiefs. You know, our -explanations, the simple explanations, to be very 18 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Number Ten. consistent. And I think that we're talking only about 19 CHAIR STONE: Our Number Ten proposal where 19 11 proposals, and we're talking about simple 20 we're -- where we're amending all of them to be explanations, not detailed explanations. So I think it 21 linear -- consistent. Excuse me. And so some of -should not be difficult for a small group to put 22 some of the people completely did not understand what we 22 together very quickly. 23 were going on -- what was going on with that. And I 23 Go ahead, Kay. 24 think like maybe a simple explanation. Once I explained 24 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Well, two things. 25 why we were doing it, they go, oh, yeah, makes all the

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I noticed in the flyer that they mailed out,

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- 1 the previous, I think it was very specific pros and
- 2 cons. I think that's probably where we came with the
- 3 pros and cons. And I think, on some of them, there are
- 4 pros and cons, but, you're right, on a lot of them,
- 5 they're not. I kind of like Cliff's idea. Then the
- 6 committee would at least have a starting point,
- 7 everybody's put in, and then the committee could put it
- 8 together in consistent -- consistent wording. But I
- 9 think, yeah, that way -- we want some consistency. But
- 10 I think some of them, there are pros and cons. And so I
- 11 don't know how you maybe get that into an explanation.
- 12 CHAIR STONE: I'm sorry. Go ahead, Frank.
- 13 Thank you, Kay.
- 14 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: I don't think it's our
- 15 job to list the pros and cons, myself. I think we voted
- 16 for these proposals. No matter what the vote was, I
- 17 think now that we're going forward that we should
- 18 explain why the proposals are the way they are and leave
- 19 it at that.

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- People can develop their own ideas about what
- 21 the pros and cons are. People will go out and campaign,
- 22 I think, about what the cons are. So -- in fact, that
- 23 might be happening right now. So I think we should just
- 24 go ahead and do a rationale or explanation of why the
- 25 Commission decided the way it did and leave it at that.
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  - CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Frank.
- 2 Go ahead, Susan.
- 3 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: I am in agreement that
- 4 it's not necessary for us to list the pros and cons. I
- 5 would be okay with a committee putting together a list
- 6 of an explanation, briefly, as it's been proposed in
- 7 previous literature on Charter Amendments. I would like
- $8\,\,$  to take the time today to go through each one, because I
- 9 have some very specific things that I would like to make
- 10 sure that's included as an explanation, since we're
- 11 already here, and not to feel like this day has been
- 12 wasted.
- 13 It's unfortunate we didn't plan better for
- 14 what we were going to do today. And we could have had a
- 15 subcommittee already formed and done and ready to
- 16 review. I just don't want to have to come back again
- 17 and review a list.
- 18 So if there's an agreement, I would like to go
- 19 through this quickly, put out a few key points, at least
- 20 I have some things suggested as an explanation, and move
- 21 forward from that.
- 22 Thank you.
- 23 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Susan.
- 24 Dave, go ahead.
- 25 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Just keep in mind the

- 1 Council is going to be reviewing it. It might change
- 2 some of the parameters of some of the stuff. So -- you
- 3 know, I wouldn't want to get too detailed until after
- 4 that process is pau.

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- COMMISSIONER BAXA: Mr. Chair?
- CHAIR STONE: Yes. Please, go ahead,
- 7 Commissioner Baxa.
  - COMMISSIONER BAXA: I just want to make a
- 9 record, my preference is that I would prefer that we
- 0 just state the rationale, the justification,
- 11 explanation. By putting our rationale and explanation,
- 12 it will, in some way, indicate points on the other side.
- 13 But the more important thing is the rationale.
- 14 CHAIR STONE: Thank you.
  - COMMISSIONER DELEON: Thank you, Mr. Chair.
- 16 CHAIR STONE: Thank you very much,
- 17 Commissioner.
- 18 Wayne, please go ahead.
- 19 VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: Basically, I think we can
- 20 find a con for every item that's on this list. And I
- 21 think, to some degree, it's important to digest several
- 22 hundred hours of testimony that we've received from a
- 23 lot of people into something concise enough so that
- 24 people can say, "This is one reason why it should be
- 25 done." "This is a reason why we should maybe not
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- 1 consider doing this."
- I don't think the 11 proposals that we put
- 3 forward were unanimous. I don't have -- there may be a
- 4 few that were unanimous, but not all of them. And I
- 5 think many of the Commissioners felt that the question
- 6 was broad or significant enough to go out to the voters
- 7 for them to decide, not necessarily being in favor of
- 8 the proposals themselves. I personally took that
- 9 position in several of the proposals.
- 10 So from my perspective, if you do a rationale
- 11 for the proposal, it should be a balanced presentation.
- 12 If you're not going to do pros and cons, then it needs
- 13 to be balanced to the point where it's not skewed like
- 14 telling the public that we anointed it with holy oil and
- 15 this is something that you should rubber stamp.
- 16 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Wayne.
- 17 Any further input?
- configuration in part
- 18 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Mr. Chair?
- 19 CHAIR STONE: Yes. Go ahead, Dave.
- 20 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Perhaps what we want to
- 21 do is just wander through each one of them right now and
- 22 then -- and note along the way what we think is, you
- 23 know, viable for having a pro -- have a positive and
- 24 negative, you know, discussion in the presentation.
- 25 You know, like the term limits, obviously,

Page 21 Page 23 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: I love that. 1 there's --1 2 CHAIR STONE: Sure. CHAIR STONE: Do I have anybody --3 COMMISSIONER DELEON: -- on both sides of 3 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Justification. 4 that. The term -- I mean, the residency requirement for 4 CHAIR STONE: Dave, would you like to be a 5 the mayor? I mean, really? You know, so -- I mean --5 member of this committee? Okay. So Commissioner DeLeon 6 so, you know, maybe we -- maybe -- I am personally not would like to be a member of this committee. Anybody 7 that big on consistency as being that important. I mean else, please? Commissioner Baxa. Okay, very good. So -- so maybe there are some points where we need to say that's two. I need one more Commissioner. Cliff, would 9 both sides of the issue, and some of them we can just you like to be a member of this committee? 10 slide by. Let's take a look. We're here, let's take a 10 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Yes. 11 look. 11 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Very good. So those are CHAIR STONE: Okay. Very good. 12 12 our Special Committee of Explanation members, 13 What I -- what I would like to do is, it seems Commissioner DeLeon, Commissioner Baxa and Commissioner 14 like we're all happy to go through the list right now, 14 Hashimoto. Thanks, guys, for putting in on that. and start putting together a bit of the rationale. It 15 Okay. So what I would like to do is go down 16 would be kind of nice to form, I think, the special 16 each proposal, we'll go in order, and just see if 17 committee at this time that can take that information 17 anybody has any input for special committee. Go ahead, from the group and then assimilate it and come back to 18 Susan. us at the next meeting with the explanation on all the 19 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: Proposal Number One. 20 proposals. 20 The reason why I supported this decision to allow this 21 So without objection, I'm going to take this 21 to go to the voters was to allow for continuity in time to form a special committee of three Commissioners 22 legislative decision-making. I believe that those to -- we'll call it the Explanation Special Committee, 23 extended years, where they can focus on their work in a Special Committee of Explanations. 24 consistent continual manner, is important to legislative 25 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Explanations. 25 decision-making. Page 24 Page 22 CHAIR STONE: Explanations. Thanks, Frank. I 1 CHAIR STONE: Very good. Thank you. saw you over there starting to fume and --2 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: I am just trying to be 3 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Not fume. I was 4 like -clear what we're doing. We're just going to go through CHAIR STONE: -- I didn't want Frank to things that we specifically, the three people who are 5 explode. the committee are, going to be then putting it together? 6 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: That was hilarious. 7 CHAIR STONE: Yes. CHAIR STONE: Special Committee of COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Okay. Thank you. 8 Explanations. CHAIR STONE: I have a point on Proposal One. 10 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: It's the absurdity. 10 The reason why I supported Proposal One was efficiency. 11 CHAIR STONE: Can I get three volunteers? 11 And that being that I've noticed -- I don't know how you 12 Cliff. 12 guys want to word this, but I noticed that, with 13 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: If I may, Chair, 13 two-year terms, we find that the -- the Council Members 14 let's take Section 3-2. Oh. 14 are often politicking. So they get one year of work 15 CHAIR STONE: One second. One second. Let's 15 done and then one year of running for election. So the 16 go ahead and finish forming this special committee. 16 reason I saw benefit in four years is that they would 17 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Excuse me. I'm 17 have three years of work done in one year of election. 18 sorry. 18 Kay, go ahead. COMMISSIONER DELEON: The Explanatory 19 19 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Well, I supported this, 20 Committee. 20 but one of the problems I see with it is you don't have 21 CHAIR STONE: There you go. Explanatory continuity. Because you're going to have two new 22 Committee. 22 people -- or half of them are new every -- could be COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: Exploratory. 23 23 every two years. So the staggered part, I had a little 24 CHAIR STONE: I like Special Committee of 24 bit of trouble with. 25 Explanations. 25 I don't know that we even want to mention

Page 25 Page 27 1 that, but I supported the four-year, but the staggered, CHAIR STONE: Well, you're on the special 1 2 it does give less people running at any given time. And 2 committee, so your input is going to be invaluable. 3 I think you had that down, that only half would have to Okay? 4 run on any -- and I think that's a benefit. I think we Any further discussion? Go ahead, Wayne. 4 5 need to bring that up. VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: On Proposal Number One, CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Kay. 6 the reason I opposed this particular proposal is because Cliff, go ahead. Oh, Cliff, I'm sorry. One 7 it had come before the voters on two or three separate 8 occasions in the past, and it was defeated every time in I would like to recognize that Deputy the past. On the con side, where we're saying removal 10 Corporation Counsel, Ed Kushi has joined us. Ed, thank of a bad councilmember by election would be a longer you for being here. I guess we're more important than wait, I think the good thing about having --Council. Is that what you're saying? 12 CHAIR STONE: Guys. Guys. 13 MR. KUSHI: No. The Council is on recess. 13 VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: -- two years is it 14 (Laughter.) 14 allows -- it requires the Members of the Council to be 15 MR. KUSHI: I just missed you guys. in contact with their constituents by campaigning again 16 CHAIR STONE: Ed is here as a spectator. Ed, and again and again. And that's the only time that they we would like to wish you a happy belated Easter. do have contact with their constituents. 18 MR. KUSHI: Same to you. And so, you know, from that -- from that 18 19 CHAIR STONE: Thanks to coming to watch the 19 perspective, you know, I oppose this proposal, 20 show. 20 particular proposal. If Members of the House of 21 Okay, Ed. So you're not in an official 21 Representatives can handle the two-year term, the 22 capacity, then. Ed is here just to enjoy the show. Council should be able to handle the two-year term. 23 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Thank you. Cliff, go ahead, please. 23 24 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Okay. I just want to 24 Any further rationale discussion on Proposal 25 make this point. That Section 3-2 -- I mean, Section 25 One? No. Oh, Kay. Go ahead. Page 26 Page 28 1 3-2(5), I guess it is, "The term of office of Council COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: No. I just -- on your 2 Members shall be for" -- and then brackets -- "[two (2)] -- looking at your pros and cons -- because I used those 3 years," which means that's eliminated in the final kind of to start with -- I don't think we should say 4 wording. And then -- right? remove a bad councilmember. 5 CHAIR STONE: Yes. Yes. CHAIR STONE: By the way, please don't --5 6 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: And then -- so it 6 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: But in effect --7 changes to four years beginning at the -- 12:00 meridian CHAIR STONE: That was just suggestion. 8 of the second day of January. What in the hell is so 8 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: That's just a 9 important about that, you know? I mean, really? I suggestion. CHAIR STONE: Just to get us -- our brains 10 mean, all this thing is going to do is change from 10 11 two-year term to four-year term. That's -- that -- you 11 working. 12 know, that's all we need to say about it. I mean, this 12 Okay. Good. Moving on to Proposal Two. 13 is for the voter, right, that simplifies the thing for 13 Discussion of rationale on assigning Ocean Safety and 14 them? By saying this is going to change from two-year Rescue from the Department of Parks and Recreation to 15 term, existing two-year terms to four-year terms, 15 Department of Fire and Public Safety. period, that's it. That's all we have to say. 16 Go ahead, Susan. 17 CHAIR STONE: Well, in the --17 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: I think of the ones 18 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: And that clarifies 18 that were listed here for purposes of discussion, I -- I 19 it. like the part that addresses increasing the efficiency 20 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Cliff. And I agree 20 and coordination between the associated lifesaving 21 that that's the simple -- the simple version that the departments such as Ocean Safety and the fire emergency committee -- special committee have been working 22 situations. For me, this was very clearly the place 23 towards. But, also, why, like the reasoning, maybe. 23 where Ocean Safety should be. It should have been a 24 No? 24 long time ago. And it is for that reason, the 25 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: No. 25 efficiency and the coordination and the end mission of

Page 29 Page 31 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Susan. 1 what both entities are working towards. And that's 1 2 saving more lives. And so that would be my main reason 2 Go ahead, Dave. 3 for wanting to justify for moving this. 3 COMMISSIONER DELEON: I can see this as an 4 CHAIR STONE: Thank you. 4 administrative oversight. I don't see how it's 5 oversight to the Council. When the Council hires and COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: I very much agree on 6 fires the Auditor, I don't really see any heavy -- heavy 7 the efficiency and the coordination, the necessary handed effect. I mean, I've watched that in Honolulu as 8 funding. I would hate to see saving more lives being well. Marion Higa is real hard on the administrative part. We don't know that that will. I mean, we would bodies, but she's not -- she doesn't go after the 10 hope so. But then somebody who votes against it, are 10 legislature. CHAIR STONE: But it's not eliminated from the 11 11 you saying you're voting against saving lives? I just 12 don't think that that's -- it's not a given that it is 12 -- from the scope. COMMISSIONER DELEON: I wouldn't emphasize it 13 going to do that. Hopefully, in the long run, it will. 13 14 But I think your -- your middle ones definitely I would 14 because I don't think it's going to happen. 15 go with. 15 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: Mr. Chair? CHAIR STONE: Yes, Stacy. 16 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Thank you. 16 17 Any further discussion? Oh, go ahead, Wayne. 17 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: Because it's hired and 18 18 fired, actually, by the Council, County Council, I think VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: I agreed with Kay. I 19 struck -- I struck the pro line that said save more the independence would just be for oversight over 20 administration and management, not the legislative 20 lives because I couldn't see that necessarily. I also 21 struck the line that says allows for the necessary 21 portion. 22 funding for required lifesaving equipment for Ocean 22 CHAIR STONE: Let me just check on that. 23 Sherry, because it's hired and fired by Council, and 23 Safety. Because while they were competing with 24 lawnmowers for jet skis, you know, as it was stated by 24 you've been hearing what we've been discussing, does 25 the Chief of the Fire Department, they're going to be 25 that pull the scope of the auditor out? Like

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1 competing with fire engines.

COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Right.

3 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Very good. Thank you.

4 Anyone else?

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5 (No Response.)

6 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Moving on to Proposal

Three. County Council, Office of the County Auditor,

8 New Section 3-8.

9 Go ahead, Susan.

10 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: I think the most 11 important thing here for me was having an independent

12 perspective in financial, but, also, management

12 perspective in initializati, out, also, management

13 oversight. Auditor would perform not only financial

14 audits, but, also, management. And -- and I think

15 that's extremely important to me. And not only

16 oversight on all the departments, but, also, the

17 legislative body. Because it's been pointed out,

18 currently, the Charter only allows the legislative body

19 to have oversight of the Administration and all

20 departments. There is no, currently, any venue by which

21 there's oversight over the Council. And I think the

22 most important thing about this auditing, establishing

23 it independently, would give that oversight to look over

24 and see financially and management-wise the legislative

25 body and how it works in the County.

1 legislature is off limits to the Auditor?

2 MS. BRODER: No. I think it just -- no, not

3 at all. I mean, it seemed like, the way this is

4 written, it would include the power and duty to audit

5 the legislature and the executive department. I don't

6 think there's any prohibition against it. And, you

7 know, I guess you're just saying that, you know, if the

8 auditor does that, the auditor might fear that he or she

9 might get fired, but that, of course, is speculation.

10 Perhaps it's based on experience, but it's still

11 speculation.

12 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Thank you for the

13 clarification.

14 Go ahead, Susan.

15 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: And I think that's why,

16 at first, I totally wanted it to be completely

17 independent as far as hiring and firing the auditor.

18 And my willingness to -- to be more in a compromisal

19 situation was to go ahead and allow the legislative body

20 to go ahead and hire and fire.

You have to remember the Council Chair

22 approves a lot of things that come through there, you

23 know, financially. And so they should be deemed as a

24 entity that also needs to be looked at. And why

25 politically it may not be the correct thing to do, for

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- 1 fear of ones -- losing ones job, it's the right thing to
- 2 do for the people. And, you know, I am going to leave
- 3 it there with the hopes that this auditing thing will
- 4 pass and it will achieve the things that we had hoped it
- 5 would do. And, again, financially, management oversight
- 6 of the entire entity of the government here in Maui
- 7 County.
- 8 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Thank you.
- 9 Further discussion on Proposal Three, County
- 10 Auditor? Go ahead, Frank.
- 11 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: I saw this as
- 12 essentially a middle position taken, finally, by the
- 13 Commission. The recommendation to have a -- as the
- 14 discussion continued, the recommendation to have a
- 15 commission hire and fire the auditor was generating a
- 16 lot more heat than light. And I think doing it this way
- 17 allowed the essential functions for what an auditor
- 18 needs to do to move forward. So I was perfectly
- 19 willing, from my vantage point, just speaking for
- 20 myself, to -- to let go of that issue of how to make the
- 21 position completely independent. You're not going to
- 22 make it completely independent of politics. It's going
- 23 to be involved and wedged in there somehow. It was a
- 24 way of trying to find a way of making it the most
- 25 effective way possible.

- 1 favor of the proposal necessarily, or not; just that we
- 2 considered all of the views that were presented to us,
- 3 felt it was worthy of going forward and presented it to
- 4 the public.
- 5 On this particular proposal, I was
- 6 disappointed that we folded, essentially, on the idea of
- 7 the Cost of Government Commission appointing the
- 8 auditor. From my perspective, that would have been the
- 9 most independent form of protection that we could have
- 10 afforded to the auditor, giving him true independence of
- 11 both Council as well as the Mayor. And allowing them to
- 12 leave no stone unturned.
- 13 CHAIR STONE: Thanks, Wayne.
- 14 Go ahead, Frank.
- 15 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: I just wanted to say I
- 16 agree with Commissioner Hedani on that point.
  - CHAIR STONE: Okay. Thank you.
- 18 Any further discussion on Proposal Three?
- 19 (No Response.)

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- 20 CHAIR STONE: No. Good. Moving on to
- 21 Proposal Four. Article 3, County Council, Section 3-5,
- 22 Procedure; Meetings; Rules and Journal; Voting; Require
- 23 Interactive Communications Access for Public Testimony
- 24 at all County Council Committee Meetings. And I just
- 25 want to point out, I am very happy that I didn't waste

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- 1 And, at this point, I think this is the most
- 2 effective thing that we have. We do still have --
- 3 bringing up the legislative issue, we still do have a
- 4 citizen committee involved. If the auditor is too
- 5 afraid to bring up an issue that might tread on the toes6 of the Legislative Branch, then maybe it's up to the
- 7 citizens of the Cost of Government Commission, which
- 8 would be under the auditor, to -- to do that as well and
- 9 make those -- those findings public, you know, and
- 10 present those to the -- to the County Auditor, the Mayor
- 11 and the Council. So, you know, I think there is a sort
- 12 of -- the way we've arranged it, there is a safeguard in
- 13 such by keeping citizen participation involved in the
- 14 auditor's office. But that's my view of it.
- 15 CHAIR STONE: Thanks, Frank.
- 16 Go ahead, Wayne.
- 17 VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: Yeah. I concurred with
- 18 Susan's position on this particular proposal. I
- 19 actually struck the last two pro items and retained the
- 20 first one about independent perspective and financial
- 21 oversight. As a general comment on all of the
- 22 proposals, you know, what I was hoping for was that the
- 23 pros and cons would be balanced so that we have one pro
- 24 or one con or one con for every pro. So that it doesn't
- 25 convey the impression that the Commission was biased in

- 1 my time on that pros and cons sheet because it seems
- 2 like there's good discussion. When I finished it, I
- 3 thought for sure I am wasting my time. Okay. Good.
- 4 And by the way, it took five minutes. So bash it all
- 5 you want.
- (Laughter.)
- 7 CHAIR STONE: Any discussion on Proposal Four?
- Go ahead, Dave.
- 9 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Well, it's, obviously,
- 10 going to provide the more remote areas of our community
- 11 the possibility of communicating without overly
- 12 burdensome costs of spending a whole day just getting to
- 13 give three minutes of testimony. Or -- or, you know,
- 14 having to drive like -- like Cliff does, you know, for
- 15 two or three hours, just to get to a meeting. So, yeah,
- 16 I mean this is long overdue, actually, so --
- 17 I did have a conversation with a Councilmember
- 18 who asked me, "Well, why is this here?" My answer was,
- 19 "Because you guys never did it." And -- and -- and he
- 20 said, "Well, maybe we'll do it and we can just drop
- 21 this." So interesting.
- 22 CHAIR STONE: Very interesting. Thanks, Dave.
- Frank, go ahead.
- 24 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: The operative word
- 25 there is "maybe."

Page 37 Page 39 1 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Sometime. 1 So that people don't think, oh, we got to have a studio 2 CHAIR STONE: Thank you. 2 in every location. And it explains a little bit --3 3 CHAIR STONE: Very good. 4 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: I think we heard from COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Down to the nitty 4 5 several Council Members, at least three, who agreed that 5 gritty. it should happen. CHAIR STONE: Thanks, Kay. 7 CHAIR STONE: Thank you. COMMISSIONER DELEON: (Inaudible.) 7 8 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: At least three. 8 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Yes. 9 CHAIR STONE: Good point. q CHAIR STONE: Very good. Any further 10 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Mr. Chair, when I was 10 discussion on Proposal Four? 11 reviewing the '02 proposals, I noted that the Council 11 (No Response.) 12 came out against having the Department of Transportation 12. CHAIR STONE: Good. Moving on to Proposal 13 on the list. They asked that to be removed. You can 13 Five. Amend Article 14, Charter Amendment, To Add a New 14 Section to Require that the Charter be Revised and 14 ask the many thousands of people who use the bus service 15 every day whether that was a good thing or a bad thing 15 Published to Include All New Significant Amendments 16 to do, to leave that on the list. So until we really 16 Adopted." 17 hear something really firm; otherwise, I think 17 Go ahead, Susan. 18 everything stays on the list and we proceed. 18 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: Is this listed as a new 19 CHAIR STONE: This thing's definitely staying 19 20 CHAIR STONE: Sorry? 20 on the list. COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: Is this listed as a new 21 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Right. Yeah. 22 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Thank you, Dave. 22 proposal, and where it forms in the formatting of the 23 Further discussion on Proposal Four? Cons are Charter, or does it come under someone's function and 24 pretty obvious; expense. Thank you, Wayne. 24 duty? 25 VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: One item that I had on 25 CHAIR STONE: I believe, as I recall, this was Page 38 Page 40 1 Proposal Number 4 was the concern -- well, the concern 1 the duty of the County Clerk. 2 that I had was that technical glitches would cause COMMISSIONER DE REGO: County Clerk. 3 meetings to get delayed or postponed or deferred. And COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: So that's where it's 3 4 where County Government already moves like slow 4 going to fall in the formatting of --5 molasses, this will only make it colder and harder and CHAIR STONE: It will be Section 14-4. The 6 much less inclined to move in any direction at all. 6 realities of it will be that the County Clerk's CHAIR STONE: Thanks, Wayne. That's a very responsible for republishing. And I recall it was 8 valid point. defined. And that's why the County Clerk came out But I do -- in this proposal, as you guys do against it. 10 recall, this is for public testimony only. And the 10 (Laughter.) 11 reason why was because if it wasn't -- if it was 11 CHAIR STONE: I mean, all these pros are that 12 interactive back and forth, that if there was not 12 it makes the -- when somebody picks up a new copy of 13 visual, then the meeting would have to stop. So we did 13 their Charter, it makes it clear and concise as to what 14 public testimony only because it can go all the way down 14 the Charter says, without a bunch of amendment -- eight 15 to phone. It can be done over the phone. So I think 15 and-a-half by elevens, which confused me when we first 16 that's why I recall the majority of us were comfortable 16 received the Charter. We're the Commission. 17 because if -- public testimony can come over a cell 17 Go ahead, Kay. COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Well, I was surprised, 18 phone to the Council. And I don't think we could hit --18 19 I mean, it would have to be some kind of heck of a major 19 I think it was Dave's statement, that even if you go on 20 disaster to not have that level of communication. 20 the internet to pull up the Charter, you get it in 21 Kay. 21 separate bits. Even on the internet, it's not put 22 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: I was kind of the same 22 together. So I think that's even more important. I 23 with Wayne, but I -- that's why I -- I think I did find 23 think you need to change the word "purchase" to 24 this. And maybe we need to mention in the explanation 24 "receive." We don't purchase it, right? But I -- we 25 that it could be simply a phone hookup, where necessary. 25 should all -- anybody should be able to receive an

Page 41 Page 43 1 accurate copy. I just think that's -- I don't think the 1 be. And that it goes -- it should go to department. 2 cost is hardly anything. But certainly on the whim, I 2 They should have at all times available the copy -- the 3 mean, that -- I was surprised when that came out, that 3 Charter that we have proposed. And I would strongly support that be in print as well; not only electronic even there you could only get it in pieces. 5 filing. 5 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Pieces, yeah. CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Commissioner Baxa. 6 CHAIR STONE: Thank you. 7 Go ahead, Frank. Stacy, go ahead. 8 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: No. I just wanted to COMMISSIONER DE REGO: If you remember the -sort of the evolution of this, it was because we had ditto that, somehow, on the website, that needs to be updated, maintained and updated by the respective -several testifiers that had come in with the pink version without the added papers and, you know, without 11 CHAIR STONE: Department. 12 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: Yeah. 12 the revisions from 2006 and 2010. And there was some 13 CHAIR STONE: Thank you. 13 confusion even among us as they were quoting the 14 Charter, you know, in our discussions. And, you know, 14 Go ahead, Kay. 15 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: That may need to be 15 immediately, the week after, Mr. Smith brought up the 16 fact that, you know, this is part of the problem, is we 16 added into the proposal. No? 17 MS. BRODER: I mean, I would say that the way 17 don't have an up-to-date version every time we have a 18 Charter Amendment done for the County, which I agree 18 the proposal is written, however the Maui County Charter totally. So I think we've already had practical is published, be it on paper, be it electronically, it experience with this. has to be updated. Okay. I mean, it's clear. It 21 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Frank. 21 doesn't say -- it doesn't say print or electronic. 22 22 Any further discussion on Proposal Five? And then, also, I think that although it 23 (No Response.) 23 doesn't say who has the duty to do this, right now, the CHAIR STONE: Good. Moving on to Proposal 24 duty is with the County Clerk, but even if the duty were 24 25 Six, "Article 13, General Provisions, Section 13-2, 25 to change, whosever duty -- I mean, somebody -- it's Page 42 Page 44 1 going to be somebody's duty. And the -- and if it's 1 Boards and Commissions, Require the County of Maui to 2 not, and it's not done, then the County can get sued. 2 Fund the Defense of Members of All County of Maui Boards So I think it's -- it's ready to move ahead. and Commission and Indemnify Said Members." CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Sherry. 4 Go ahead, Susan. 5 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: As far as the proposal Go ahead, Susan. 6 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: I guess that's why I am that's been -- or pro that was listed here, I am not in 6 7 questioning it, since it is its duties, why didn't we agreement as to that's the reason why this should go 8 just add it to the powers, duties and functions of the forth to the voters and, hopefully, be passed. There is County Clerk on Article 5-3? Or are we not sure that law that does provide indemnification for volunteers on 10 10 County Boards and Commissions. will always be that person's -- that entity's duty? 11 MS. BRODER: I guess that was the thinking. 11 I did not propose this, even though it was 12 12 through my own personal experience that seems to have COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: Okay. 13 MS. BRODER: Just whoever's duty it is has to 13 kept this going and moving forward. And my main reason 14 for supporting it was to alleviate personal biases from 14 do it. Okay. 15 CHAIR STONE: Thank you. 15 legislative representatives when determining a situation 16 Commissioner Baxa. of indemnification. I think that's the key and most 17 17 important thing to me. COMMISSIONER BAXA: Yeah. Mr. Chair, I don't And I've listened to the public come and speak 18 think it's a question of duty. The question is whether 19 and talk about wanting to -- and especially we do it or not. If we do it, then there will be 20 Administration wanting to codify something. I know we 20 somebody who is going to do it. The idea of this, as I

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21 understand it -- and I remember very well, this idea

22 came from Mr. Smith. Mr. Smith, although I disagree

23 with him very often, in this case I think he had a very

24 good point, that the public ought to know exactly what25 the new proposals where and where the new Charter will

can do it without a Charter Amendment, but we want to

24 validate is the volunteers that serve on commissions and

25 boards, and assure them, assure them that as they act

22 codify this, we want to validate it. And I think if

23 there's anything to me that is most important to

- 1 within their duties, as prescribed by the stewardship
- 2 that they have in these boards and commissions, whether
- 3 it be rules or laws, or whatever it is, as they act
- 4 within those duties, they will be protected personally
- 5 and professionally. And, unfortunately, it has occurred
- 6 in this County where personal biases took the foreground
- to question whether individuals that were in lawsuits
- serving on these boards and commissions would be
- indemnified or not. And that is the key thing for me on
- 10 this issue.
- I am not asking that the process be changed by 11
- 12 which Corp Counsel has to seek approval. I am not
- asking for that at all. And I think this does. But
- what it does, it helps to send a clear message to
- representatives within the legislative body and
- administration that we should be protected as
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- 18 And this was not -- and I had to step back
- from all of this, as this conversation started to begin
- way back when, and make sure that it wasn't my personal
- bias that was pushing it forward. And as it has gone
- over time, it's -- it's bigger than just my personal
- experience. Because I think volunteers give so much of
- 24 their time in the way that they serve the County through
- 25 boards and commissions and other ways, at the very

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- 1 had the opinions about the State, you know, covering
- 2 this and the County covering this, but there have to be,
- 3 for me, some way of putting this in the Charter so
- people know.
- 5 And getting to Susan's point about what I
- 6 would call -- this is a conversation that maybe needs to
- happen with later commissions, or recommendations, I
- don't think there's an adequate, how can I say,
- orientation process for Commissioners who do serve on
- 10 boards and commissions. And part of that orientation
- process is not only the Sunshine Law, but, also, the
- 12 financial -- I mean, the potential liabilities involved
- 13 in being a board and commissioner, also, you know, what
- 14 your obligations are in terms of attending meetings and
- all those things. So it's not only your rights, but
- 16 it's also your obligations.
  - And -- but I -- you know, this is becoming a
- 18 longer thing than I wanted it to be. All I -- all I am
- 19 going to say is I agree with Commissioner Moikeha that
- this, at least, expresses in the Charter, I think,
- 21 something that needs to be expressed.
  - CHAIR STONE: Thank you very much.
- 23 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Excuse me for going on
- 24 so long.
  - CHAIR STONE: Further discussion on the -- oh,

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1 go ahead, Kay.

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COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Well, just in looking

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- at what you had written, the way that we explain it, I
- think we -- this says it sounds like you're going to be
- protected from lawsuits. You can't --
  - COMMISSIONER DE REGO: You can't --
  - COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: -- protect people from
- 8 the lawsuits. You can offer them proper counsel and so
- forth, but I think we just need to watch the way the
- wording in the explanation is. 10
- 11 CHAIR STONE: Very good. Thank you.
- 12 Wayne, go ahead.
- 13 Commissioner Baxa, go ahead.
- 14 COMMISSIONER BAXA: Mr. Chair, I am actually
- 15 very glad that the end proposal came the way it did.
- 16 The original proposal was much looser. We had a lot of
- discussion as to that. And we have to thank Susan on
- 18 this one because, although, normally, one was involved
- 19 in a case, they say that there is no -- there can be no
- 20 objective analysis from the specific person. But from
- 21 what we have seen, there's some justification for what
- 22 we ultimately did. I know that even the way it is
- 23 worded, under the law, there are still limits, there are
- 24 still limits, as our counsel, Sherry, Professor Broder,
- 25 has told us. Because looks like we will be protected

- 1 least, they should be protected.
- I would also say there's very little
- 3 conversation during appointments to these boards and
- 4 commissions during time of becoming familiar with what
- 5 the process is within their board and commission. And
- 6 it's never talked about; if you get sued, this might 7 happen, are you prepared for that. No one has ever
- 8 discussed that with me when they've come to me, asked me
- 9 to be on a board or commission. And I think maybe that
- 10 needs to be talked about a little bit more. Because I 11 think people realize that they're subject to when they
- do serve as a volunteer in this County.
- 13 And I'll leave it at that.
- 14 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Susan.
- 15 Go ahead, Frank.
- 16 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: I remember when we
- first had this discussion, I think it was at the Kihei
- meeting, the first public hearing we had, and I was
- aghast, actually, when the story was told. I was the
- one who actually put forward this proposal after hearing
- 21 that story, not only for protection of citizen
- 22 volunteers, but as a way of at least putting in writing
- 23 what those protections are in the Charter and making 24 sure that people know, you know, especially those who do
- volunteer for Commissions that, you know, I think we've

1 all the way, but there -- we have to be aware there are

- 2 limits. The fact that we are board members here does
- 3 not allow us to do whatever is illegal under the law to
- 5 not anow us to do whatever is megar under the law to
- 4 pursue our job. But (inaudible) we are within the
- 5 specific job duties that we do hear, the proposal that
- 6 we had made, I think, is very excellent.

7 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Commissioner. Wayne, 8 go ahead, please.

9 VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: Well, on this item, the 10 only -- because there was nothing listed under the cons

11 section for this proposal, the only comment that I had

- was, there is a potential for increased costs of defense
- was, there is a potential for increased costs of defen
- 13 in settlements of -- as a result of the proposal. I am
- 14 not sure -- to this day, I am not sure exactly how it
- 15 changes the way things -- the way things operate or the
- 16 way things work in court because I'm not an attorney.
- 17 But it seemed like the cost of defense in some cases
- 18 would go up. And the settlements may go up as a result
- 19 of the change.

20 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Wayne. Dave, go

- 21 ahead.
- 22 COMMISSIONER DELEON: In a way, what we're

1 communications, for the Charter, and it's using more of

4 Counsel feels like this is already being done. But then

- 23 doing here is an affirmation process. We're asking the
- 24 voters to confirm this is what we want to see happen,

2 a -- of a actual -- and -- and, particularly, in this
3 case because it's kind of interesting that Corporation

25 you know, with the -- with the Council thing for -- for

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- 1 discussion on Proposal Six? No. Okay. Without further
- 2 -- oh. Commissioner Baxa, please.
- 3 COMMISSIONER BAXA: Mr. Chair, I'll just
- 4 reiterate what I said, but I think it's important, we
- 5 must all have read the papers not too long ago. This is
- 6 in a different context. You know the board of -- the
- 7 board that acted in that case in the -- this is a
- 8 private entity, though, not as a public board that we
- 9 are. And it went to jury trial. And the jury, in fact,
- 10 awarded so much money to the plaintiffs against the
- 11 board, against the board of directors.

12 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Molokai, yeah, case,

- 13 Molokai condo case.
- 14 CHAIR STONE: Oh, yes.

15 COMMISSIONER BAXA: What I said, it is in a

6 different context because this is a private entity. But

7 there is some similarities there.

CHAIR STONE: Thank you very much. Okay.

19 Without further discussion on Proposal Six, I am going

0 to have us take a brief recess, 10 minutes. And I'll

- 21 see you guys back here. Was that celebratory, Cliff?
- 22 I'll see you guys back here at 11:15.
- 23 (Recess, 11:06 a.m. to 11:18 a.m.)
  - CHAIR STONE: I would like to call this
- 25 meeting back to order as of 11:15. Moving back to our

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- 1 list, we're on Proposal Number Seven. And please give
- 2 me a second to get there. Where did my list go? Ah,
- 3 stolen by my Analyst.

4 MS. BRODER: That's mine. That's mine. I am

- 5 sharing it with you.
- 6 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Going on to Proposal
- 7 Number Seven, County Council Residency Requirements.
- 8 Pros and cons, discussion. Go ahead.
  - COMMISSIONER BAXA: Mr. Chair?
- 10 CHAIR STONE: One second. Go ahead, Susan.
- 11 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: I don't -- I remember
- 12 Gladys giving testimony at Pukalani, and she raised the
- 13 negative to this. And I don't recall what it was. So I
- 14 -- unless somebody else recalls why she had proposed it
- 15 as a negative side or a con side to this issue, if we
- 16 could just maybe have someone look that up if the don't
- 17 remember.

18 CHAIR STONE: Kay seems to have response. Go 19 ahead, Kay.

ancau, Kay.

20 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: I kind of think it had

- 21 to do with, say, if you lived Upcountry and you just
- 22 happened to move a house three houses away and it puts
- 23 you in a different district, you know, that was -- that
- 24 kind of might be the issue. It didn't have so much to
- 25 do with Molokai versus Hana, but it was more just moving
- 5 there's the sense of what happens if five political 6 persons don't like your politics and you get caught in 7 the crosshairs. But I have seen -- I have seen boards actually be cowed by the threat -- by the threat of suits. Personally, I mean, when they're told by a couple 11 attorneys they're going to be sued personally, it makes 12 them think twice. And it should make them think twice, 13 anyway, but -- but the potential for actually altering 14 what they do in the way they approach it is serious. And -- and these bodies are like Board of Ethics, the 16 Planning Commissions, the boards that have actual 17 impacts on -- on your ability to use your land or your ability to function within the government, can -- you 19 know, it's pretty strong powers. But they're set out 20 for a purpose. So this allows people more freedom to 21 act within the powers, when they have the assurance that Corporation Counsel is actually going to support them. 23 And I think that's one of the elements here, is that it 24 gives the boards and commission more freedom to act.

CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Dave. Any further

Page 53 Page 55 1 within Central Maui, even, because you might move into a with that. Maybe we should give that some thought 2 different -- I think that was --2 before we moved on. CHAIR STONE: Thank you. Dave. Thanks, Kay. 3 CHAIR STONE: Good. Thank you, Cliff. 4 COMMISSIONER DELEON: And follow-up on Kay's 4 Go ahead, Wayne. 5 thought. That's was the first part of it. The second COMMISSIONER DELEON: Lisa is trying to get --5 6 part of it, now you're going to have to wait a year to CHAIR STONE: Oh, sorry. Lisa. 7 be able to make that jump. So it's not as simple as it MS. KAHUHU: Chair, I just wanted to mention 8 had been to be able to bounce around to different 8 the letter was dated October 3rd, and it was presented 9 districts as easy. So that's the con side. Not buying to you at your October 10th meeting. 10 into it, but it's the con side. 10 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Lisa. Just a 11 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Good. Go ahead, Cliff. 11 encyclopedia of knowledge back there. Go ahead, Wayne. 12 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Just a question, 12 13 Chair. 13 VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: The negative comment that 14 CHAIR STONE: Sure. 14 I had on this was that -- the con that I have with this 15 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: When we were having was that it disqualifies candidates of less than 16 discussions about the residency, we were talking about 16 one-year residency. So you might have a qualified 17 the length of time a person has to reside, and then we 17 candidate that would be excellent that would be 18 extended that, for some reason or other. You know, at disqualified because they're listed. 18 19 about the same time, there was a case, I believe, that 19 CHAIR STONE: Nice and simple, Wayne. Very 20 was referred to by the Corporate Counsel on the Big 20 nice. Okay. Thank you. 21 Island, I believe, where this -- where this lady had 21 Any further discussion on Proposal Seven? 22 filed to -- to run for a seat or something, and then --22 (No Response.) 23 and then she moved or something within that time period. CHAIR STONE: Okay. Moving on to Proposal 23 24 So they said she didn't qualify, but she filed a suit, 24 Eight. Very similar, Mayor residency requirements. 25 and -- and she won. Because the judge said, I think, 25 Same pros and cons, or can anybody think of anything Page 54 Page 56 1 different. Go ahead. 1 that just because she just moved a couple of blocks, you 2 know, that -- and which took her outside of that COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Well, I just have to --3 district, apparently, that filing district, that -- that because Dave had said can you imagine anybody who didn't 4 live -- and, yeah, I could. If Linda Lingle decided to 4 it was okay because it wasn't something that she did on 5 purpose. 5 move back and wanted to run for Mayor again, she CHAIR STONE: Very good. I think that --6 couldn't under this. So, I mean, there are people who 7 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: I wonder, yeah, how may not be on the island for a year that still could and is this going to hold up to some challenge like that. 8 could do the job. So, yeah, that is a con. I mean, CHAIR STONE: I believe that Sherry had 9 it's the same as what you said. But there could pointed out to us, when we were looking at timeframes 10 possibly be people who are more at a State level that 11 and everything, that everything is challengeable, that 11 say, well, I am going to move over to Maui and run for 12 there is always the situation -- well, the only way to 12 Mayor. So, I mean, it's possible. Maybe not probable, 13 -- to verify that this is going to stand is for it to be 13 but possible. 14 challenged and go to court, but we did our best in 14 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Kay. 15 reviewing the cases that had gone on previously to and 15 Further discussion? Dave, go ahead. 16 find a good compromise on time. And I think that's how COMMISSIONER DELEON: I keep on thinking of 17 we finally came up with this language. 17 Council Chair Mateo's statement about his slippers. 18 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: What? Am I correct, Sherry? 18 19 MS. BRODER: Yes. And I did write you a 19 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Council Chair Mateo's 20 letter, back in October, I believe it was -- anyways, 20 comment about having slippers that are older than a year 21 maybe it was in November. I did write you a letter 21 old. Meaning that a year is not that much for this kind 22 specifically addressing that -- those issues. And I 22 of requirement. 23 23 think that we did our best to draft the language to meet COMMISSIONER DE REGO: It's not.

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CHAIR STONE: Good. Thank you, Dave.

Any further discussion?

24 the legal standards.

COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: No. I am satisfied

1 (No Response.)

- 2 CHAIR STONE: No. Moving on to Proposal Nine,
- 3 Article 8, Chapter 15, Department of Environmental
- 4 Management, to add environmental protection and
- 5 sustainability to the powers, duties and functions of
- 6 the Department of Environmental Management. Pros and
- 7 cons, please? Any discussion?

8 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: I think the way that

- 9 this --
- 10 CHAIR STONE: Go ahead, Yuki.
- 11 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: I think the way this
- 12 came together, the Committee -- the Commission put a lot
- 3 of thought and in the substance of the added language.
- 14 And I think Rob is here. Maybe Rob can give us some
- 15 more input if he wants to add to that.
- 16 MR. PARSONS: You haven't heard --
- 17 CHAIR STONE: Hang on. I think I am going to
- 18 step in here and say, Rob, we appreciate you being here,
- 19 but, again, the discussion is pros and cons and
- 20 rationale.
- 21 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Well, I think one of
- 22 the cons is still we're not sure it should be in that
- 23 department. I just -- that's where I never felt
- 24 comfortable with that. I don't know how you list that
- 25 in the explanation. I don't think people objected to

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- 1 lot more to sustainability. Environment, economics, and
- 2 the culture and social needs, too. And that's just my
- 3 opinion.
- 4 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Stacy. Go ahead,
- 5 Susan.
- 6 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: I had a hard time with
- 7 this, too, as it being the appropriate place along with
- 8 Kay and Stacy. And it's not that I don't support
- 9 sustainability, but I think it's a much broader thing
- 10 than just taking care of the environment. And I wasn't
- 11 so sure. And I did not think that it belonged within
- 12 the scope of this department. I think what we did as a
- 13 compromise is we made it fit by taking out the other
- 14 component of sustainability. And maybe what we're doing
- 15 is just giving it the foundation where we hope that will
- 16 grow to be more balanced economically, culturally, and
- 17 incorporate all of it. And so if it's a beginning
- 18 start, then that's good.
- 19 I wouldn't want to see it thrown under the
- 20 bus, but I still feel that it -- something needs to be
- 21 said about that. So however you craft it, maybe that
- 22 this is just the beginning or the foundation in hopes it
- 23 will grow into bigger, you know, broader scope. I don't
- 24 know.
- 25 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Thank you. We'll leave

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- 1 what you -- we wanted to do, but is that where it
- 2 belongs. That's a -- I don't know how you put that in
- 3 the explanation.
- 4 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Kay. I am a little
- 5 nervous about that form of con because that questions
- 6 the entire integrity of the proposal. And I understand
- 7 what you're saying, yes, that was a major discussion 8 point, however, we did decide to go this direction. So
- 9 I'll leave it to the Special Committee to -- to take
- 10 that in and see how that could be worded without
- 11 throwing the entire proposal under the bus. Thank you.
- 12 Go ahead, Stacy.
- 13 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: I think I've come from
- 14 where Kay's coming from as if it's the right department.
- 15 Because, in my opinion -- and we have done a lot of work
- 16 in this and had a lot of discussion on it -- there's
- 17 more than just environment, the environment. What you
- 18 want to sustain is your -- your economic base. You want
- 19 to sustain your culture and social as well. They are
- 20 interdependent on one another and -- you know, so
- 21 sustainability, as much as the buzzword it is, I would
- 22 like for -- and this is -- this is as best as we've come
- 23 up with, but the waste management or the environmental
- 24 protection management people are -- hopefully, they
- 25 won't limit it to just that. But there is -- there's a

- 1 that up to the word masters to -- to look into that.
- 2 Again, we gotta be careful about our -- our explanations
- 3 going outside the scope of the language of the proposal.
- 4 So we'll see -- let's -- it's a great -- this is one
- 5 we're definitely looking at, yeah. Great discussion.
- Frank, go ahead.
- COMMISSIONER DE REGO: I remember how we
- 8 struggled with this in regards to does it apply here,
- 9 what does Environmental Management mean, does this go
- 10 under that umbrella. I think what we did was two
- 11 things. I think, first of all, we narrowed the scope of
- 12 what was proposed at the beginning. So what we've
- done -- and I agree what's being said here, that we've
- 14 laid a foundation. I think it's like Public Works and
- 15 Environmental Management, right? That used to be two --
- one integrated department, massive department. And
- 17 eventually, Environmental Management got teased out of
- 18 it. And now what we've done, possibly, is lay the
- 19 foundation, once it evolves to that point, where there
- 20 might be a possibility of fitting it in a -- in a better
- 21 area, whether it be a department or whatever. But I
- 22 think the thing that we wanted to do was to give it some
- 23 stability, to give it some support, to pull it out of
- 24 just the Mayor's Office, or whatever Mayor comes in,
- 25 just a whim of economic development, or whatever other

Page 61 Page 63 1 office you wanted to put it under the Mayor's Office, 1 tape, I think, is basically getting the County involved 2 but now it has a foundation in the Charter. 2 in a kuleana that somebody else's kuleana. As we know, this is an evolutionary document, 3 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Wayne. Good points. 4 as we've seen over the years, has -- things change. 4 Further discussion on Proposal Nine? 5 There's basic principles that say the same, but, 5 (No Response.) CHAIR STONE: Very good. Moving on to 6 oftentimes, departments and other things get created. 7 So I think this lays a foundation. At least it puts it Proposal Ten. And this proposal is in reference to somewhere, you know, which was, I think, a necessary bringing conformity amongst commissions that appoint directors or chiefs. So discussion on that Proposal thing for us to do, at least from my vantage point. 10 CHAIR STONE: Thank you very much, Frank. 10 Ten? Just -- just my experience right now, in the 11 Judge Baxa. public, for people who are keeping abreast of our 12 COMMISSIONER BAXA: Mr. Chair, I am not going 12 proposals, this one seems to create the most confusion 13 to regurgitate the arguments that have been made 13 because it is long and lengthy. 14 already. And I do agree that, in the beginning, we came 14 Go ahead, Kay. COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Just a question, I 15 to the word sustainability, which was very general and 15 16 can't remember. Did we actually add any -- was the --16 very broad. And one of the main objections then was 17 about budget, how can we afford to have sustainability 17 the meat of what's in here already in one of them and we just put it in all, or did we add it and then add it to 18 in everything. It is -- it is this way in the world. And so because there was an intent to have this some 19 all? 20 CHAIR STONE: There were bits and pieces of more permanent part of the County operation rather than 21 each one, or of some of them, that we -- we made all of 21 dependent upon political --22 them conform. So now, basically, when you read each COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Will. 23 COMMISSIONER BAXA: Political realities and board and commission that had -- that hires and fires a 24 director or Chief, it will list the same --24 unrealities. We wanted to have that as a part of the 25 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Right. 25 department, but then we did a (inaudible) that anything Page 62 Page 64 1 sustainable pertaining to the environment would have to 1 CHAIR STONE: -- language. 2 be made. COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: So it was already in at I think that -- and I have to agree with the 3 least one of --4 Chair that we have to be careful about the comments that 4 CHAIR STONE: The majority of it was in one of we make in terms of the rationale. We should try to 5 them. COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Fire. focus on the title and the object of the proposal we 6 have already made. Thank you, Mr. Chair. CHAIR STONE: Fire, right. Thank you very 8 much. So, yes. So I believe that the pros are fairly 8 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Judge Baxa. Go obvious, that it brings conformity and -- and the level ahead, Wayne. 10 VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: My comments on Proposal of review that you want to see, you know, amongst your 11 chiefs and directors, from the commissions. So I guess 11 Number Nine was -- I actually struck the first portion 12 it's this -- in this situation, it's that simple worded 12 of the pros, "assure that the County of Maui has the 13 mechanism to fund." And I just started the sentence 13 explanation that's going to be very important. COMMISSIONER DELEON: Yeah. with, "Supports the ability to protect the environment 14 15 and nurture and promote sustainability resources." 15 CHAIR STONE: So, go ahead, Susan. 16 And on the -- and I struck the second one, COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: I think what you said "Save money in the long-term by protecting Maui's 17 earlier is really what needs to be said in the environment and natural resources," because that's not a explanation. And that these are commissions that have given. It hasn't been proven. And I don't think it the authority to hire and fire their directors. 20 applies in all cases. Something may be good to do, but 20 CHAIR STONE: And chiefs. 21 very expensive. 21 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: And to create

22 consistency of the function and duties of these

23 commissions, we elected to make them all the same. I

25 should have that power or whether a commission does.

24 mean, there's such a diverse opinion on whether a mayor

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On the con side, the comment that I had was it

23 expands the cost of government and the bureaucracy of

24 government and red tape in setting out a program to

25 accomplish that task. And that bureaucracy and red

1 And while that's not the question here, I think it needs

2 to be clear all we're doing is just making it

3 consistent, the functions and duties of these types of

commissions and boards.

CHAIR STONE: Thank you. Can anybody come up 5 with a con? Sorry, Frank. 6

7 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Oh, I don't have a con.

8 CHAIR STONE: Go ahead, Frank.

COMMISSIONER DE REGO: I agree with what's

10 been said so far. I mean, the mechanics of getting the

consistency are what is difficult, I understand, because

12 there were some boards and commissions that had some

13 things plainly stated, whereas others, we still had, up

14 until the end, I think, questions about the Liquor

15 Commission, right, of whether or not, you know, the

16 Liquor Commissioner comes under special, you know, HRS

17 law and personnel services. So whether or not the

18 Commission even had a right to evaluate the commissioner

every year. I think that was something that was still

20 an open question until the end.

21 But the -- although the mechanics are

22 difficult, the -- the rationale is fairly simple, I

think. It's just to make these kinds of functions

consistent across the board. And as the committee does

-- seeks to find wording for that, I think it -- it

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The one question that I have is that if there

2 is a specific HRS law about the Liquor, I don't know if

the language exempts that because if there is already a

specific provision, we should not be dealing in that.

But as to the rest, we should make a uniform provision

for all the commissioners except for what is governed

already by existing law.

8 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Judge Baxa. Yes.

And we did check with Liquor about -- to make sure.

Remember, we clarified that we weren't stepping outside

of our bounds. And we found out that -- Ed had the

discussion, and we were not -- this is -- this works for

Liquor Commission as well. So we're safe on that end.

COMMISSIONER BAXA: Well, thank you, sir. 14

15 CHAIR STONE: Yeah. And if we're not, we have 16 a proposal to indemnify ourselves.

COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: To the Liquor Commission.

19 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Just to clarify -- just

to clarify, what Ed said was that the director had

return rights under HRS. And he's been the director for

25 years. He's probably not going to return back to

23 civil service at this point. So -- so it's not really

24 relevant. It's not to the point that we're addressing

25 here. So I just vaguely remembered some sort of civil

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1 service issue related to that particular director, and

-- and that's what drove that whole controversy, but

we're not outside the bounds of the HRS.

CHAIR STONE: Thanks, Dave. 4

5 Go ahead, Frank.

COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Yeah, part of this 6

discussion concerns me because I am hoping we're not

going to create cons for the sake of creating cons or

try to come up with, you know, alternative language for

the sake of creating alternative language. So I,

actually, put a caution out there if -- if it doesn't

12 seem right, if it's -- if it doesn't fit, if it becomes

13 sort of like the nuclear pill, right, that -- some of

14 these arguments, I mean, the question becomes why change

15 the Charter at all, right? So that would be just a

caution I would put out there.

17 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Frank.

Again, also, I'll remind our Charter

Commission that we voted not unanimously on many of

these, but we did have a majority vote to push these

proposals forward and that's what's going through. So

although we may have disagreed or agreed, I think that

23 we do have to support our proposals as a group.

24 Go ahead, Wayne.

VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: Taking the opposing

shouldn't be that difficult to -- to make that clear. CHAIR STONE: Okay. Very good. Dave, go 2

3 ahead.

COMMISSIONER DELEON: To take the devil's 4 advocate position for the negative, the question would

be is this really necessary. I mean, we're going

through this contortion to bring these four commissions 7

into alignment. Is that necessary? I mean, given all

the quirks in our Charter, there's a lot of places where we need to do fixes. Seems odd that we're fixing this

11 one particular set without any -- any real cause.

CHAIR STONE: Thanks, Dave. I guess that 13 could be a con. I just worry that that con could be effective for every single proposal we put forward.

15 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Yeah.

16 CHAIR STONE: That's the only problem, we would have to say is this necessary -- I mean, that's --17 that's the primary question to the voter is this

necessary. But it's a good con if you don't have a con.

20 COMMISSIONER DELEON: If you need one. 21 CHAIR STONE: If you need con, it's a great

22 con.

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23 Go ahead, Judge Baxa.

COMMISSIONER BAXA: I think that it is still 24 25 necessary to have these in the Charter, in a Charter.

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Page 69 1 position --1 -- we've been told he's evaluated monthly, you know. So 2 (Laughter.) great. Why don't we just establish a floor where the 3 CHAIR STONE: Of course. Pessimistic Hedani. Commission evaluates him annually so it's not at the VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: Because the departments -discretion of the Commission? 5 because the departments that we're looking at are so 5 So, I mean, without getting into a debate 6 different in their function, you know, Personnel 6 about this, I think a lot of these, you know, they're 7 Services versus the Police Department versus Liquor already in there, they're really not changing, from my 8 Control versus the Fire Department, to get a vantage point, the -- the direction or the -- the -- the substance of the commissions, of what they do. Most of one-size-fits-all for all of the above, I think, you 10 know, to some degree, is concerning to some degree that stuff was already in there in the Police because it -- unless we check each individual department 11 Commission's respect. 12 and ensure that the scope of each particular 12 Again, coming back to my point, this is how I commission's responsibilities is identical to the one am going to end it, you know, we shouldn't be doing that's next to it, we may be expanding the scope of the gymnastics over trying to find cons for certain things. 15 Commission's responsibility. CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Frank. 16 I've only served on the Police Commission and 16 17 the Planning Commission prior to this Commission. But 17 Go ahead, Stacy. COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: I just wanted to, I 18 in the case of the Police Commission, because it's a 18 professional department, civilian oversight over the 19 guess, be in support of what we're saying here to make 20 it all consistent on behalf of the Commission. It's department doesn't necessarily cross over into the part of their responsibility to come up with the 21 technical aspects of being a policeman or understanding 22 the law. And some of the things, receive, review and performance appraisal, if you want to call it, for the Chief or -- or the Director. So I think the consistency 23 investigate charges is what they do, review the 24 for us to have this, and have them submit it to the 24 operation of the Department of the Police in this 25 Mayor, and the Council, I think is -- is a value because 25 particular case and make recommendations for changes. I Page 70 Page 72 1 don't know that they are necessarily capable of making 1 if it's not done, who evaluates to keep the chief or --2 informed recommendations in that respect. I think their 2 or the director? It's the commissioners. So I can 3 primary function was just to serve as a neutral civilian appreciate us having this all consistent since that's 4 oversight body that says yea or nay when a judgmental 4 their responsibility. 5 question comes to them as to whether or not the police 5 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Stacy. 6 have overstepped their bounds or exceeded their COMMISSIONER BAXA: Mr. Chair? 7 authority. So to some degree, you know, are we CHAIR STONE: Please, Judge Baxa. 8 expanding -- are we expanding the scope of the COMMISSIONER BAXA: Sir, I also agree that the Commission's duties. way how we ended up is very good. It may -- I want 10 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Wayne. uniformity of what is to be required of the different 11 And just -- just reviewing that added departments. There may be some variations in the job, 12 language, Police Commission, the only language I see 12 but as far as the overall oversight of the commission is 13 being added is, "Annually review and evaluate the concerned, I think it should be done almost the same performance of the Chief of Police and submit a report way. It may be that we maybe -- I don't know. I don't 15 to the Mayor and the Council." So I don't see that -- I want to use overstepping, but it -- if they're already 16 mean, as a taxpayer, pretty happy about that. But would doing something and (inaudible) already, we're just

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giving them the floor from which to start.

And as an analogy, under the Federal --

19 because I am not a constitutionalist as Sherry is, but,

under the Federal Constitution, there are certain

guidelines, but I also know that, under the State

22 Constitution, the State Constitution can broaden the

25 (inaudible). And that is my comment on this one. I

24 broaden it so much so it is for the good of the

23 rights given by the Federal Government. And if we can

that -- I mean, we shouldn't be getting back and

21 of these, they're actually, from my vantage point,

22 sufficiently benign enough. I mean -- I mean, if we

23 look at what Wayne just said, actually, most of the

24 stuff was already in there. We're just saying establish

25 the floor that the Police Chief should be evaluated and

Frank, go ahead.

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debating the proposals, but, okay, good con. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Yeah. Looking at each

Page 73 1 would like to maintain it the way it is, the language. 1 CHAIR STONE: Yeah, we're on Number Eleven. 2 Thank you. 2 VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: The only comment that I 3 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Judge Baxa. 3 had on this one was -- you know, I was quite proud of 4 Susan, go ahead. what the Commission did from the perspective of when you 5 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: Another positive I see, think about it, after all of the trials and tribulations 6 though, this may be viewed as a housekeeping that this Commission went through, all of the gyrations 7 consistency, is that it does include the Mayor, you that we went through with 100-some-odd proposals, this 8 know, and -- and making sure that he receives an annual is one where I think it actually is something, from my review and evaluation. And maybe it solidifies that perspective, of significance where it's never been done relationship even more. Even though he's not directly 10 before. The con is it's never been done before. When 11 responsible for hiring and firing, it creates a unity of 11 you're pioneering, when you're out there, you know, working together with the Administration. So --12 you're like the nail sticking up that's asking to be 13 And like Frank said, these are so -- these --13 beat down, you know. That is a con. 14 all of these have basis already in the current functions But I think it's significant from the 14 15 or description of their duties. It's not like we are 15 standpoint of identifying something that we feel is 16 far reaching out there for creating things that have no 16 important and giving it the importance where -- where we basis. So I think that's just another positive to be 17 feel it's deserved. And I was quite happy that it was reinforced. done so skillfully. 19 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Susan. 19 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Wayne. 20 Further discussion on Proposal Ten? Kay, go 20 With that said, I want to point out to the 21 ahead. 21 special committee that in reviewing -- in giving -- in 22 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: This is a question, not giving us the recommendations for -- it's not pros and a -- but this came -- started -- the first one here is cons we're talking about. We're talking about something 24 the Fire. And I missed one meeting. And did we do --24 else -- explanation -- thank you -- because it's called 25 nothing else we did as far as the Fire except for this? 25 the explanation committee. Page 74 Page 76 1 CHAIR STONE: Yes. COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Special. 2 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Okay. That's all. CHAIR STONE: I don't know if it's absolutely 2 3 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Thank you. No further necessary to have a con with each one. If the con -- if 4 discussion on Proposal Ten? we have to make up a con that's not -- doesn't -- you 5 know, just to have a con, I don't think it's absolutely (No Response.) 6 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Chair just wants to note, necessary. But let's bring that language back and we also, in our -- in our -- when we were looking at this, can discuss it when the language comes back. Okay. Any 7 we also looked at the Honolulu Charter. And they had further discussion on Proposal Eleven? Please. Oh, go consistency throughout in similar departments, which ahead, Susan. I'm sorry. COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: I think, during 10 kind of gave us direction on going for the consistency. 10 11 Okay, moving forward. Proposal Eleven, 11 discussion, it was brought up, why is only the Hawaiian 12 Preamble, pros and cons. 12 history and heritage and culture being looked at and 13 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: There's only pros. stated in this. And so while that could be something 14 CHAIR STONE: Thank you. Wait, let me check that other cultures may look at or other individuals may 15 with Commissioner Hedani. 15 look at, I think what needs to be -- that we need to 16 (Laughter.) 16 address here is that there was a beginning. And it 17 17 began with the Hawaiian history and heritage and CHAIR STONE: How come there's no con, man? 18 culture. And from that came the uniqueness of our COMMISSIONER DE REGO: He has. He's ready. four-island County. And what brings all people together 19 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Was he scratching 20 is the decree of our Hawaiian state motto. 20 your leg or what? 21 So I think you do have to look at how are 21 COMMISSIONER DELEON: New language. 22 people going to view, why not my culture, but we're CHAIR STONE: Go ahead, please, Commissioner

23 Hedani.

25 Number Eleven?

VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: I'm sorry. Are we on

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23 talking about where we all began. And these islands

25 grown and is identified to incorporate everyone that

24 began with the Hawaiian people. And from that, it has

1 comes in these islands, no matter what their culture is,

2 through the State motto.

I really am impressed with what we did. And I think it's good.

5 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Susan.

6 Judge Baxa.

COMMISSIONER BAXA: Yeah, Mr. Chair. Yeah.

Although we cannot change the language now, because it

is too late, but I think, in the rationale, as pointed

out, it is very important to recognize that beyond

11 history, I would talk about roots and connection, you

12 know. People who came to Hawaii, who were not

13 originally Hawaiians, they had -- they began to have

14 that connection, not necessarily the roots, but I would

15 emphasize that in the -- in the rationale, we should

16 also talk about Hawaiian roots, you know. Because as

17 had been pointed out, the foundation of what is Hawaii

today is the Hawaii then, the Hawaii before. Yeah.

19 And I must add here that I do not know if some

20 of you attended that Poet Laureate who came here on

21 Maui, it was one of the most exciting poetry reading

22 that I had, Poet Laureate Merwin. He spoke about the

23 Hawaiian heritage, he spoke about the Hawaiian language,

24 how the Hawaiian language was lost in the meantime when

25 some people came to these islands. And he's not

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1 so much strength to who we are. Whether it's the

2 Filipinos I grew up in the plantation or the Japanese,

3 we always embraces one another because it's a teaching

of our host culture. There is a lot of sharing and

caring.

And what this does is to remind us of who we

are, who we really are, no matter -- no matter what our

ethnicity. We're a special group of people that live --

who live -- born and raised here, and who choose to live

10 here. And -- and what this reminds us, that, you know,

the life of the land is perpetuated in righteousness.

12 And the land -- the balance is the people and the land

13 because our ancestors valued their people. And -- and

14 the land and the people go together. And you can't

separate that, you know.

So that's just my appreciation. 16

CHAIR STONE: Thank you very much, Stacy.

18 Frank.

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19 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: I don't think I have

20 anything to add to what's been said, but I think I want

to just commend Commissioner Hashimoto's persistence in

this. I remember when we first started touching the

Preamble, and everybody went, "No!" It was just like I

24 was kind of surprised, actually. But -- but I also want

25 to commend the flexibility of the Commission, that even

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1 Hawaiian, but I think he's much more Hawaiian than most 2 of us.

3 (Laughter.)

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COMMISSIONER BAXA: And that's why he started

And I am very happy about the language we have

5 to live in Haiku more than (inaudible). And his poetry

was, basically, about the significance of valuing our

roots in Hawaii and not any destruction overshadow us,

the modern culture, let us have it.

10 adopted here. And I know that in the -- in the

11 beginning, we said -- we -- we had some hesitancy to put

12 this Preamble, but I am very glad that, even for this

13 achievement alone, we have done so much for the Charter

Amendments. 14

15 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Judge Baxa. 16

17 Stacy, please.

18 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: I think, too, that in

our explanation, if we can be mindful, as Judge shared,

20 on the roots, it's the host culture. We -- Hawaiian

21 have been the host culture, from the very beginning,

that embraced all of the cultures that have come to

23 Hawaii Nei. And from there, we have the beauty what we

24 have today of Hawaii. So I -- I truly appreciate that

25 we've come up with this Preamble. And I think it adds

1 toward that late date, that we were willing to be open

2 to listen, to -- to craft, to discuss, you know. So --

but, yeah, this is -- this is a -- as Wayne says, this

4 is a very important step because it is unique in the --

but we're a unique County. You know, we're a very

unique County. We're the only multi-island County in

the state. Think about that, you know. And -- and

because of that uniqueness, I think we should have a

unique introduction to who we are.

10 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Frank.

Cliff, please.

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COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Yeah. In reading

13 that Preamble again today, at first, I was kind of -- I

felt put off at first because of what I had written

15 originally. And I've given this much thought ever since

16 this Preamble was written the way it is now in its

present form. And up until this morning, I still felt

put off by that. But then when I read it again this

19 morning, when I came in, I read it again -- because I

20 wanted to be able to say something about it at some

21 point -- I have to say that, you know, I am perfectly

22 fine the way it is now. And because it does really

23 fulfill what -- what I -- what I wanted -- what I 24 thought about. It does fulfill that. So -- so I am

25 glad that it's there and -- and the way it's written.

Page 81 Page 83 1 Thank you, everybody, for -- for supporting that. recommendations to the next commission on maybe the way 2 CHAIR STONE: Thank you very much, Cliff. 2 they operate and the way they set up? 3 Thank you. 3 CHAIR STONE: That is going to be -- that's 4 Further discussion on Proposal Eleven? the one that I would like to send in myself because 5 could you imagine if you could gain a month or two more (No Response.) CHAIR STONE: Okay. Very good. Special time by having a bit of understanding of where you 6 7 committee take it away. should start. So items such as that. That's a good 8 Go ahead, Susan. one, Kay. Okay. Good. So at our next meeting, we'll definitely be discussing those recommendations. COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: Dave had asked about Lisa, just clarification. What is the date 10 this during the break, so I just wanted to make sure it 10 11 that our Final Draft Report goes to County Clerk for was clear. He asked me, in relationship to Proposal 12 Six, what personal biases, whose personal biases. And I 12 filing? I know we already received that, I just don't 13 wanted it to be clear that I was speaking of the Council 13 have it in front of me. 14 MS. KAHUHU: I believe it's August 1st. or the legislative body that makes the decision on indemnification. 15 CHAIR STONE: August 1st. Okay. Very good. 16 So we do have time to work on those recommendations. 16 CHAIR STONE: Okay. 17 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: So if that was a Was it -- what date did you have? COMMISSIONER DELEON: I thought it was August 18 question in everybody's mind, that's who that was 19 23rd. referencing. And that certainly doesn't change, once 20 CHAIR STONE: Dave has August 23rd. again, the process by which indemnification has to go. 21 MS. KAHUHU: No. County Clerk's deadline to 21 But, again, it was relating to Council representatives. 22 22 get ballot questions to the State Elections Office is CHAIR STONE: Thank you very much, Susan, for 23 August 23rd. 23 the clarification. 24 Moving down to agenda Item IV-C, review, 24 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Okay. 25 CHAIR STONE: So Final Report is due August 25 discussion and action on possible recommendations to be Page 84 Page 82 1 included in the final 2011-2012 Maui County Charter 1 1st. 2 Commission Final Report. This item we had put out a 2 MS. KAHUHU: Yes. 3 request to our Commissioners to send in recommendations 3 CHAIR STONE: Very good. So we do have time. 4 to Dave. 4 Good Lisa, we haven't received anything yet? Moving on to New Business, discussion with 5 Recommendations in the final reporting, I regard to publication of the amendments as mandated by 6 7 believe what we were discussing, is suggestions to the Section 14-3 of the Charter, and voter education -- Sherry, what -- what specifically were we advertising. Yuki and Dave have been going really referencing, just so I don't misstate here? hardcore on this, Yuki especially. 10 10 MS. BRODER: Things that didn't rise to the So, Yuki, why don't we open up the discussion 11 level of being a proposal, to change the Charter itself, 11 there? 12 the governing document for the County of Maui. So 12 And Lisa is going to be handing out some 13 things that you learn during the course of all the 13 information for us. Okay. Thank you. public testimony, that you thought the Council might 14 Yuki, why don't you take us through this? 15 consider as an ordinance or having a study or something COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Okay. So the task is 15 16 like that. So anything outside of rising to the level -- the question is, how do we communicate or educate the 17 of the proposal. public or the voter on our different Charter proposals CHAIR STONE: Thank you. 18 for the ballot. And so where I started off is to look 19 So what I would like to recommend for our 19 at our calendar of important dates coming up, and just 20 Commissioners is that if there is something, an item 20 to look at that, look at the law, and then look at that they feel should go in there as a recommendation in different methods that we could -- how to get the word 22 our Final Report, please, please send it in via email to 22 out on the different Charter questions. 23 Lisa. So primary election voter registration

24 deadline is July 21st. Probably the important day we

25 just talked about is the Charter Commission Final Report

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Yes, go ahead, Kay.

COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Would that also be

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- 1 to County Clerk is August 1. Then we have primary
- 2 election, which our questions will not be on. August
- 3 23rd is County Clerk deadline to get ballot questions to
- 4 the State Office of Elections, which Dave was just
- 5 talking about. And then this is the date, the target
- 6 date in our minds, if we could keep this in mind for if
- 7 we want to educate the community, is September 22nd is
- 8 when the first absentee ballots gets mailed overseas.
- 9 And so before that date, if we think that we would like
- 10 to have -- this is for general election, if we would
- 11 like to have our questions understood, our ballot
- 12 questions understood that we should try to get
- 13 communication, which would maybe look something like
- 14 this, you know, with a brochure out to the -- to the --
- 15 to the voters. Then after that, of course, is -- the
- 16 other thing is November 6th is general election day. So
- 7 that's our target date for when the actual election is
- 18 that we're concerned about, because that's general
- 19 election.
- I took a look at what are we talking about in
- 21 terms of numbers. Registered voters in 2010, which was
- 22 the last election according to the Clerk's Office, there
- were 85,000 registered voters of which 72,000 were
- active. And right now, according to the County Clerk,which the number will go up, go up, is that there's
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- 1 voting starts and then there's the actual at the polls
- 2 election. So that's just a requirement, about 30
- 3 percent of the voters or more are absentee ballot. And
- 4 so -- so we need to be in front of that deadline.
- 5 CHAIR STONE: Quick question for that -- for
- 6 the special committee. We work really well, it seems,
- 7 with a cut-off date. What -- as far as mailing out,
- 8 say, pamphlets, what would be the optimum date to get
- 9 those pamphlets out considering we give it a week for
- 10 mailing? So what would be the best date, September 1st?
- 11 Before that?
- 12 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: I've heard discussion,
- 13 but I think it's like September 1st, something like
- 14 that. Or --
- 15 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Yeah.
- 16 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: -- late August. But
- 17 ---
- 18 COMMISSIONER DELEON: I think coupled with
- 19 what Cliff was talking about, which was having something
- 20 at the polls that everybody shows up at the polls, or
- 21 shows up at the Clerk's Office, to be able to read as
- 22 they go into -- or before they go into the voting booth
- 23 so they have a clue what they are -- they can mark it up
- 24 and --
- 25 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Good. Very good. Okay.

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- 1 70,000 registered voters. The -- the legislative -- or 1 Section 1.
- 2 the -- the Clerk's Office said, of course, as we get
- 3 closer to elections and the registration deadline, those
- 4 numbers will go up.
- 5 The other date that we should be concerned
- 6 about, I guess, is for us to check as to the number of
- 7 registered voters, July 12th is the date of registering
- 8 to vote.

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- 9 Then what are we going to do? According to
- 10 the law, we are required -- Dave, if you want to go
- 11 through that.
  - COMMISSIONER DELEON: Yeah. Well, the Charter
- 13 requires us to have at least one publication of the --
- 14 of the proposal in a newspaper of general circulation.
- 15 So we call that The Maui News. And that's the minimum.
- 16 So if we meet the -- to meet the requirement of the
- 17 Charter, we have to have one -- one publication. And --
- 18 and I think this September 22nd deadline is perfect
- 19 because we need to be before that. Because once the
- 20 ballots go out, that's when the voting starts. So we
- 21 need to be in front of that.
- 22 Basically, people think of, you know, like
- 23 November whatever as the election date. Well, we used
- 24 -- that used to be the case. Now, it's, you know, those
- 25 two basic election days, when the -- when absentee

- 1 So I like -- I like having that date September -- let's
- 2 say, right now, tentatively September 1st, we'll look
- 3 into it and see if there's a reason why we couldn't do
- 4 those mailings by September 1st.
- And those mailings should probably be -- in
- 6 order for the greatest impact, I believe those mailings
- 7 should go out with at least one notification in the
- 8 paper hitting about the same time those mailings would
- 9 hit people's houses. So we'd say three to five business
- 10 days -- three business days after the mailings go out to
- 11 hit the newspapers.

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## COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: That will work really

- 13 good. If you look at just a calendar, September 1st is
- 14 a Saturday, and Sunday, which is the most widely read
- 15 Maui News, is -- is September 2nd. So if we can target
- 16 for the questions or just the information like one page
- 17 Maui News. I like color because everything will stand
- 18 out more, but it's probably more expensive. But if we
- 19 can target, also. So by September 1, this gets mailed
- 20 out, then, September 2nd, The Maui News full page. And
- 21 then we have actually fulfilled the requirements of --
- 22 of the law, but I think we should go further than that.
- 23 I think it's our responsibility to educate on this
- 24 complicated -- whatever way, you know, that people
- 25 communicate, you know, how complicated nowadays with

Page 89 Page 91 CHAIR STONE: That's fine. Good point. I 1 email and everything else, but as far as we can go. So 1 2 2 know, on Lanai, you guys get The Maui News daily, right? 3 CHAIR STONE: Yuki, what is the Sunday before 3 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: We do get it. I don't 4 the general election? 4 know how many people read it. If you're going to put 5 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: The Sunday before the 5 something, the Lanai, I don't know, Today, whatever it's general election is on the 4th of November. called, is only once a month. But, you know, putting CHAIR STONE: That -- maybe it would be good something in there, that is widely read by Lanai people. to do a second run in The Maui News on the 4th. My concern is September 1st. If you're on a long 9 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Right. weekend, I don't know if newspapers have as much impact 10 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Well, Mr. Chair, if 10 over a long weekend. But I think maybe we should go 11 you're going to do a second run, then I would put it in 11 with a --COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: The week before? 12 the election tab. Because they actually have a Maui 12 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: The week after or the 13 News election tab. And that would be probably the best 13 14 place to be for -- you know, because that's where voters 14 week before. Just long weekends --CHAIR STONE: That's a long weekend. 15 will go for general information. 15 16 CHAIR STONE: Uh-huh. COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: September 1st is, 16 17 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: But we could probably 17 normally, Labor Day weekend. 18 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Mr. Chair? 18 maybe have a reference in there like we do a news 19 release to say, you know, check the -- but Maui News 19 CHAIR STONE: Yeah. Go ahead, Dave DeLeon. 20 20 hasn't determined when the voter election tabloid is COMMISSIONER DELEON: In reality, September 2.1 coming out yet, so I am not sure the timetable. 21 1st is way too early. It's just way too early. But if 22 CHAIR STONE: Sorry. Go ahead, Stacy. we have this deadline set by law, then we'll work out 23 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: I know we're meeting with that deadline set by law. We should be 24 the minimum requirements, but we don't get The Maui News 24 concentrating on the last two weeks. And -- and I am 25 thinking -- finding a way to drive people to the 25 on Molokai until like a one week -- one week after, or Page 90 Page 92 1 what-have-you. And then if we do, it's just a few. I 1 website, put this stuff up on the website. And, 2 don't know about Lanai, but we have our own hometown 2 clearly, on the website people can find it so they 3 publication. I think likewise, with Lanai -- they 3 know -- if anybody is really, really interested, they 4 don't? 4 know they can go there and get it rather than depend on 5 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: No. You don't want to paper publication. It's probably the most effective. 6 get me started. But the other part is effective, I believe, is what 7 (Laughter.) 7 Cliff was saying, was have something at the ballot that 8 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: So whatever people can actually -- because that's when they are publication that would be, you know. actually going to start thinking about it. 10 CHAIR STONE: Of course. What's your guys' 10 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Make a big chart. 11 publication? 11 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Right when they walk 12 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: We just have one. 12 into the -- into the -- into the polling place is when 13 CHAIR STONE: What's the name? 13 they start thinking about it. 14 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: Molokai Dispatch. 14 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: So, basically, then --15 CHAIR STONE: Sorry. Sorry. One at a time, 15 CHAIR STONE: Go ahead, Yuki. speaking one at a time. 16 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Can I finish? 17 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: So Molokai Dispatch is 17 CHAIR STONE: Yeah. Yeah. 18 a weekly --18 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: So what -- just from 19 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: Yeah. 19 listening to this discussion, then, with Molokai, 20 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Is that right? So 20 Lanai's concerns, and the Labor Day weekend thought, so probably you need to submit your one page or whatever by to just comply with what we want to do -- in doing this 22 Wednesday, and it will be --22 brochure, because we want people to know the brochure is 23 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: I will inquire and get 23 coming. Do we just do like a small ad in The Maui News 24 that information to you. Is that okay? 24 saying the brochure is coming and then go full blast 25 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Yeah. 25 later, and put in Molokai and Lanai, to be more

Page 93 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Yeah. So I did ask 1 effective and closer to general election? CHAIR STONE: Let's -- okay. Wait. Hang on 2 that question. And what they said was they don't have a 3 one second. Let's -- before we move to that, let's talk date yet when they would mail to Maui County. 4 about these deadline dates. I want to nail that down 4 COMMISSIONER DELEON: It's gonna be a separate 5 first. We have to start there. So, Dave, you were 5 date? 6 saying that you feel September 1st is too early? COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: It's a separate date. COMMISSIONER DELEON: Well, September 22nd is This is a first --8 too early, I mean, to be really effective. That's what CHAIR STONE: Okay. So in order to -- to have a better impact, what is the Sunday before September the law requires. So --10 22nd? 10 CHAIR STONE: But that's for the news; not for 11 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Sunday before 11 the mail-outs. 12 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Right. 12 September 22nd is September 9th. CHAIR STONE: No. 13 CHAIR STONE: See, the mail-outs can go out of COMMISSIONER DELEON: 22nd? 14 14 whenever we like; however, absentee ballots are 15 CHAIR STONE: The Sunday before September 15 September 22nd. 16 22nd? 16 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: So we would like to be 17 before that. 17 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Oh, I'm sorry. 16th. 18 Sorry. 18 CHAIR STONE: Shouldn't we try and target 19 CHAIR STONE: September 16th. Okay. Sunday 19 before the absentee ballots? 20 before, okay. I think that's probably our best target 20 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: For the brochure. date for the newspaper, the first run of the newspaper. 21 CHAIR STONE: Can brochures be mailed out with 22 Then I look the second run of the newspaper coming 22 the absentee ballots? November 4, just before the election. 23 COMMISSIONER DELEON: No. 24 COMMISSIONER DELEON: The election --24 CHAIR STONE: Okay. 25 CHAIR STONE: The election --25 COMMISSIONER DELEON: We'll have to ask the Page 94 Page 96 1 clerk that. COMMISSIONER DELEON: Yeah. CHAIR STONE: But probably not. Let's assume 2 CHAIR STONE: So that takes care of our 3 no, just to be safe. In that case, will these brochures 3 newspaper. So the question now is on the brochure. 4 going out even benefit people who are being mailed COMMISSIONER DELEON: Well, with the 4 5 absentee ballots? Yes? recognition we have to have special consideration for 6 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: I think so. Lanai and Molokai. 7 CHAIR STONE: They would. CHAIR STONE: Of course. Of course. Of COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: I think we need to. 8 course. That's already taken care of. That's going to COMMISSIONER DE REGO: I think you need to. be built in. 10 CHAIR STONE: So they need to go out before 10 Go ahead, Judge Baxa. 11 that September 22nd period. COMMISSIONER BAXA: Yeah. Also, Lanai and 11 12 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Well, I think what we 12 Molokai already taken care of, yeah? 13 need to get clarity on is, as I see it, on -- important CHAIR STONE: They're going to be, that will 13 14 criteria here is to overseas voters, overseas registered 14 for sure --15 voters. This might be only going out to the people 15 COMMISSIONER BAXA: Yeah. I would really 16 overseas and in the military as required by federal law. 16 strongly support that. But I was wondering maybe it is 17 And that's the reason why the whole dates were pushed -- this is not something that we can do, but as far as 18 the Filipino community's concerned, there is a Filipino 18 back and changed since the last election, this election, 19 because the federal law changed to require that. This 19 newspaper that is being circulated freely throughout the 20 might not be to Maui residents who are living here. county. I don't know if it goes to Molokai and Lanai, They might be going out later. but it is known as the Filipino Server. It is widely 22 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: It didn't --22 put and read in all the Filipino stores. And they take 23 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Okay. 23 it. I don't know how much you have to pay for the ad, 24 CHAIR STONE: Yuki, do you have a response to 24 but I am not sure whether you can consider that or not. 25 that? 25 That's just a suggestion, Mr. Chair.

CHAIR STONE: That's very good.

2 COMMISSIONER BAXA: After this, I would like

3 to ask to be excused. I have to go someplace.

4 CHAIR STONE: Of course, Judge Baxa. Thank

5 you for your input and you are excused.

COMMISSIONER BAXA: Thank you, sir.

7 CHAIR STONE: Very good. Any other -- any

8 other publications that could be beneficial? Frank, go

9 ahead.

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10 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: I say this at my

trepidation. A lot of people go to Maui Now for their

2 news on Maui, for online news. I know Maui News does

13 have a online version as well. So, you know, I am

14 guessing that whatever they publish, hopefully,

5 paper-wise, would also find its way online in terms of

16 an election tab. Maybe we might have a discussion with

7 them in -- because we don't even know if there are going

18 to be any State ballot initiatives as well at this

9 point, do we? So we might not only have County issues

20 to deal with, but we might also have state issues to

21 deal with.

But, you know, for people with websites, you

3 know, like Maui now, I am trying to guess whatever else,

24 you know, is out there, we might try to -- to use that

25 advantage as well. Because I know I go there a lot for

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1 CHAIR STONE: Good point. So we'll coordinate

2 our efforts.

3 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Yeah.

4 CHAIR STONE: Probably try to get the -- you

5 guys know marketing better than I do, so you keep the

6 news releases kind of coming out at the same time the

7 paid stuff so you could really blast it, or would you

8 try to spread it out?

9 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Later the better for the

10 news releases.

CHAIR STONE: Very good.

12 COMMISSIONER DELEON: You know, there's also

13 the weekly papers. Believe it or not people actually go

14 to weekly papers for their news, so -- Lahaina, South

15 Maui --

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16 CHAIR STONE: What we'll do is as our -- our

17 special committee on -- on public outreach, we should

18 come up with a list. And then, obviously, it's going to

19 be budget constraints. So we will come up with the best

0 possible list. There's certain things we should

21 definitely do, like Molokai, Lanai figure that out. If

22 we can do like Filipino newspaper, great. The more

23 output -- the more community outreach we can do. And

24 there must be others as well. So we'll come up with

25 that.

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1 -- for news and stuff and Maui now, too.

2 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Frank. Good input.

3 Go ahead, Yuki.

4 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: So those things that

get published like on Maui Now are, basically, news

6 releases which hopefully -- I don't know in this regard,

7 we have Dave DeLeon, he's so good at that. So a news

8 release would be written about, you know, what we're

9 doing with the Charter and then that would get posted on

10 Maui Now. And then Maui Now can refer it to the County

11 website or wherever the -- all the different ballot

12 questions are going to be. So -- but there's like a

13 whole nother effort that goes on.

In marketing, there's the paid stuff, which

15 we're talking about, the brochure we buy, the mailing

16 which we're going to have to pay for, and then the ads

17 that are going to hit The Maui News and, hopefully, the

18 Lanai today and the Molokai Dispatch, those would be

19 things we buy. And then, hopefully, that we can target

20 specifically for certain date, but the news releases and

21 things like that, which -- which may be Rod Antone, the

22 Mayor's Office can help us with, because we're

23 definitely part of that whole effort. He's very

24 successful at it, that we have a huge reach, a huge

25 reach.

1 Go ahead, Wayne.

VICE-CHAIR HEDANI: Just a question. You

3 know, I think there's a lot of people that don't take

4 The Maui News, that take the Advertiser. And so the

5 question is whether or not you want to put something in

6 the Advertiser that not just reaches the Maui residents,

7 but goes to the people in the State.

8 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Mr. Chair?

CHAIR STONE: Yeah, we'll look at that. Go

10 ahead.

11 COMMISSIONER DELEON: That can be done with a

12 press release rather than buying. What's required by

13 the Charter is something in general circulation. And I

14 think The Maui News is the best shot. You're not -- as

15 far as local circulation. I agree that some people do

16 get the Advertiser instead, but --

CHAIR STONE: Okay. Very good.

18 COMMISSIONER DELEON: You know, there's also a

19 concern that Mr. De Rego points out, is there might be

20 something else out there that could be actually stuff --

21 there will be stuff the Council generates as well. Any

22 confusion, we're not responsible for that, we won't be

23 selling that, but -- but it's going to be out there and

24 they're going to want to know about that as well. So --

25 CHAIR STONE: Good.

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Page 101 Page 103 COMMISSIONER DELEON: That's probably going to CHAIR STONE: Go ahead, Dave, 1 2 be resolved today. 2 COMMISSIONER DELEON: I think we do need to CHAIR STONE: Okay. Thank you. So we have 3 talk to the clerk and see whether he would include the 4 our -- we have our newspaper release dates, we will pamphlets with the mail-outs. 5 discuss press release dates and coordinate with the CHAIR STONE: Sure. We will definitely --6 Mayor's Office on that, we'll see how many newspapers we 6 Lisa, can we ask that question? Thank you. 7 can do and take them in order of importance. Or, let's COMMISSIONER DELEON: He's going to have to 8 say, paid publications in order of importance. Of see that it's a neutral publication. I mean, he's got 9 course, we'll -- we'll do as much of a blitz as we can, 9 to be comfortable with it. It can't be something that 10 you know, on Akaku and other, like radio stations and 10 sells. 11 stuff. 11 CHAIR STONE: Yeah. 12 The question I have now is, what should be the 12 COMMISSIONER DELEON: But it's something that 13 target date for sending out the pamphlet? 13 just gives explanation, that saves everybody some money 14 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Well, if we're still 14 and time and effort, whether it fits in his envelope and 15 trying to target getting the maximum amount of voters, 15 he has the capacity to do it. We might aim the 16 if the absentee ballots are going to go out to the 16 publication to be able to do that. CHAIR STONE: Okay. Very good. 17 military on September 22nd, I still agree with the 17 September 1st information. You think not? 18 Also, if we can -- if that were the case, if 19 19 those pamphlets could go out, September 10th in the --CHAIR STONE: Let's discuss that. Kay, go 20 ahead. 20 as absentee mail-out -- well, you know, let's not get 21 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: I would go closer to 21 ahead of ourselves. Let's set the target date. And 22 September 15th. They're out there before, maybe a week 22 then if we -- at least we have them done and ready to 23 before you run your ads. So people may have them in 23 go. And then if we want to move back the vast majority 24 hand. You run your ads, maybe keep them a little closer 24 of mail-out, we can do so, whereas we couldn't move 25 to -- to that. 25 forward if we're not there. Page 102 Page 104 CHAIR STONE: Okay. So, Yuki, any thoughts on 1 Go ahead, Stacy. 2 that? 2 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: So we're talking about the mail-outs for the first week of September to reach 3 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: I was just thinking. 4 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Military. -- is that the only mail-out we're going to be doing? 5 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: They're kind of far 5 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: I think just -- you 6 away. 6 want to change that to the 10th, right? 7 7 CHAIR STONE: Yes, September 10th. COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Afghanistan. 8 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: Because the general --8 CHAIR STONE: That's why. Let's target the mailing date, is what I want to do. So if we have a the absentee -- the absentee voters -- let's see. The newspaper ad coming out on September 16th, which is the walk-in voting absentee starts October 23rd, and the 11 date that we're going to go for, let's say that you want 11 request for the mail-out absentee ballot, we start 12 it out there a few days before that newspaper comes out, 12 requesting it October 3rd. So I think if we go like in 13 so the pamphlets -- that's a Sunday. So say the 13 the middle of September, you'll be reaching those pamphlets mailed out on the Monday of the week previous? voters, also, which we do have a high absentee voting. 15 You got a two to three-day delay before they reach 15 CHAIR STONE: So would you say September 10th 16 people. 16 sounds sufficient? 17 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: So you're talking 17 COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: Did somebody say the 18 about the 10th? 18 16th?

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CHAIR STONE: 16th.

COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: That's The Maui News.

COMMISSIONER CRIVELLO: Oh, okay.

24 is -- to have a real strong impact is that people are

25 holding those pamphlets while the impact is coming out

COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Maui News ad.

CHAIR STONE: What we were hoping, Stacy,

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21 okay.

24 campaign comes out.

CHAIR STONE: That would be the 10th.

23 date. Then, that way, the pamphlets are in hand as our

COMMISSIONER DELEON: Mr. Chair?

COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Which is a Monday,

CHAIR STONE: So that could be a good target

Page 105 Page 107 1 in The Maui News, that could be doubling up. I think it MS. KAHUHU: I guess, Chair, in the scheme of 1 2 would definitely encourage the discussion. But Dave's 2 all this, and the dates in September and stuff, that's 3 suggestion is that we may be preemptively sending out -- you know, I think those are great, but I just want to 4 those pamphlets, because, as we get into the general, 4 keep you aware that these funds need to be encumbered by 5 people might be -- already have forgotten. 5 June 30th. So invoices for services need to have go COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Yes. 6 through by then. CHAIR STONE: Which is very much possible, CHAIR STONE: Okay. That's good to know. I too. So -- but let's -- how about we do this? At the 8 think that we can nail down the -- the pamphlet look, moment, let's just say we're targeting that we can -- we the pamphlet -- I think the pamphlet, for example, we 10 have the ability to send these pamphlets out September can have nailed down because I don't believe we're going 11 10th, and then we will discuss further and everybody to be removing any proposals. So we'll know what the should think about this, when we should send them out. 12 bulk of our proposals are. So we can probably eve do a 13 But as long as we have that cutoff deadline, we're able 13 draft layout and get bids going on that now. We need 14 to do either. Okay? 14 bids for procurement, is that true, three bids? 15 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Can I ask Stacy --MS. KAHUHU: Yes. 15 16 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Just one point, 16 CHAIR STONE: So that's going to be coming 17 Chair. 17 from -- now, Yuki, are we doing a full-service, a 18 CHAIR STONE: Yes. 18 printer and mailer? 19 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: You know, one of the 19 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: I think what we're 20 reasons for -- I believe, for putting out a pamphlet of 20 going to end up doing, just because if you look at 21 some kind to -- to help the voter understand what's on 21 services, we'll probably get a graphic designer because 22 the ballot as far as the Charter Amendments are 22 they're not necessarily part of a printing company. So 23 concerned, you know, the advantage that the absentee 23 that's probably something you want to split apart. So 24 ballot -- yeah, the portion that pulls the absentee 24 you want somebody to design the pieces, the ad in The 25 ballot, the advantage he has is he has more time in 25 Maui News, as well as the brochure. Then you want to Page 106 Page 108 1 which to make a decision. In other words, he can 1 get a bid for the printer as to how much that would be, 2 actually sit down and read his ballot where -- whereas 2 in another segment. Another part would be, I think we 3 those walking to the polls don't have that because they would have to secure a company like Voter Contact and --4 always feel pressured because it might be a line. So what Voter Contact would be able to do is they would be 5 people hurry when -- when they're at the polls. But not able to take the clerks's numbers, which are, right now, 6 70,000 registered voters and -- and break it down to 6 as much so -- I take several days -- when I do absentee 7 ballot, I -- I take several days to read over it because households.

8 I have the time to do it. So I -- I like voting that 9 way, I mean, for that reason. So -- and most of the 10 information we're trying to get to them is -- should be 11 on the ballot, right? 12 CHAIR STONE: Yeah. And the question is when, 13 timing. Timing. 14 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Well, you know, the 15 ballot -- that ballot is going to get to them early. 16 It's going to get there -- that's why they give them 45 17 days in which to give it back. 18 CHAIR STONE: Okay. 19 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: That's primarily 20 military. 21 CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Cliff. Good input. 22 Lisa, did you have something to say?

CHAIR STONE: You had a question for Lisa?

COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: No, no.

MS. KAHUHU: I guess --

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The Clerk's Office said they don't give it to 9 us by households. Last election, there were 35,000 10 households. Yet, when I talk to the Clerk, they don't 11 have households. So that's -- a body like that will --12 will take it down to the household number, which would 13 save us in terms of number of brochures in the long run. 14 CHAIR STONE: My only -- my only question is 15 procurement. If we have three different entities 16 working here, do we need to get three different bids from a designer, three different bids from a printer and 18 three different bids from Voter Contact? 19 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: And I think that if --20 what we don't want to do is go over the \$25,000 mark because, if we do, then we have to be like a contractor 22 and get sealed bids and do this whole --23 CHAIR STONE: Then that's beneficial to have 24 them split up into three. 25 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Yeah. So somehow to

Page 109 Page 111 1 get us to where our end goal, but be within the -printers and graphic designers and stuff. CHAIR STONE: Yuki, in looking at this, 2 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: But I am thinking about 3 working backwards, we should probably have Voter 3 the voter contact thing. 4 Contact, a company like that, first so we know how many 4 MS. KAHUHU: That's a possibility. I don't 5 ballots -- or how many pamphlets we are sending out. 5 know how many companies. COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: We won't really know COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Others in the State 7 the number of voters until you get closer to the day that will do that. 8 that's going to be our cut-off date, because people are COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: The other option is going to continue registering. you can do it yourself, you know, which --CHAIR STONE: So the printer and the -- the 10 CHAIR STONE: Huh? 11 printer will be bid per --11 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Exactly. 12 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Bid per, what we say. 12 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Don't have to get 13 So I'm looking at three entities, I think. You need a 13 fancy. design portion. 14 14 CHAIR STONE: We want to save money and all, 15 CHAIR STONE: Yeah. 15 but, Yuki. 16 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Then you need the 16 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Really. 17 printing portion, and then the mailing portion. 17 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Printers and the --18 18 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: It's --Anything else, Dave. 19 COMMISSIONER DELEON: I am wondering whether 19 CHAIR STONE: One at a time. One at a time. 20 there's anything -- if you can take the postage out of 20 Frank, go ahead. 21 the mailing so that the -- you're not actually --21 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Printers and the -there's only one service to provide the actual postage. 22 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Design. 23 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Voter. 23 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: -- design, I can 24 COMMISSIONER DELEON: No. I mean, U.S. Mail. 24 understand. But maybe for the voter contact, maybe we 25 So, I mean, so that -- maybe that portion of the bid 25 could investigate using sole source for that. Page 110 Page 112 1 should not be included. 1 CHAIR STONE: Very good. Presently, I like COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: I think what happens 2 the look of the -- as a general look, I like the look of 3 on that is -- and I got to still call them, but I think the pamphlet that we received from the last -- it's very 4 Voter Contact can take you through that whole realm 4 -- it's powerful, it's simple, very easy to read. So 5 where you give them the brochures and they can mail it 5 anybody has any -- any input on that general look. But, 6 out for you. I think that's their total service. 6 of course, we're going to have a designer do it. So I 7 don't want to get into a deep discussion about it until COMMISSIONER DELEON: Okay. 8 we have a draft in front of you guys. Okay? CHAIR STONE: So that --COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: You got to give them Okay. Any other -- any further discussion 10 here on, basically, timeline is what we're really 10 the printed brochure. I have experience a long time 11 ago, so --11 discussing? 12 12 CHAIR STONE: We'll figure that one out. That Okay. Frank, go ahead. 13 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: So in terms of 13 means we -- wow. Our special committee has some work 14 ahead. Okay. Good. 14 timeline, the Council returns their reaction to us when? 15 15 MS. KAHUHU: June 1st. If Council does not Okay. The one item that's -- that's kind of 16 left up in the air right now, which we need -- sorry, 16 respond to alternatives to Charter Commission by May 17 Frank. Go ahead. 17 2nd -- I'm sorry --18 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: It's just a question 18 CHAIR STONE: May 2nd. MS. KAHUHU: -- the Charter Commission submits 19 about procurement. Isn't there a possibility, because 19 20 there's only maybe one company or something that 20 Final Report with proposed amendments to the County provides a service in the State of Hawaii, whatever, 21 Clerk. 22 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: So then we have another 22 that you could do some sort of sole source operation? 23 23 meeting after May 2nd to discuss what the Council MS. KAHUHU: Yes. You can do sole source, but

24 proposes to us. So we either make changes, or they just

25 put alternatives on the ballot. Is that my

24 you have to justify why that company is the only one.

25 But that is a possibility. And there's a lot of

Page 113 Page 115 1 understanding is? Sherry? 1 Council's on the Water Department. 2 MS. BRODER: They -- they can put their 2 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Okay. Thank you. 3 alternatives on the ballot as long as they meet their 3 CHAIR STONE: Thank you. 4 own rules for proposing a Charter Amendment. So you can 4 Kay, one second. Lisa, did you have something reject their alternative, anyways. 5 to say? COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Okay. MS. KAHUHU: No, Chair. CHAIR STONE: Okay. Thank you. Just raising MS. BRODER: You don't have to provide information about theirs. your hand for fun of it? COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Which, actually, this MS. KAHUHU: Did I raise my hand? 10 brochure did. 10 CHAIR STONE: You're going -- is that how you 11 MS. BRODER: It did. yawn, one-handed? 12 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: From what I gather, 12 MS. KAHUHU: No. 13 they also put the Council's, only the Council's ones 13 CHAIR STONE: Kay, go ahead. 14 didn't have any rationales attached to them. They just 14 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: I think you were 15 had the bare provision put on -- put on the brochure. talking about Council proposals that may have been mid 16 So --16 -- not during the same term that Charter. Where, 17 MS. BRODER: Okay. Well -sometimes, they will make a proposal that's not in a 18 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: There was an ten-year cycle and that those tended to pass at a much 19 alternative. higher rate, maybe because there were fewer of them. COMMISSIONER DE REGO: To the Water Board, I 20 20 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Talking about Water. 2.1 think it was. 21 COMMISSIONER DELEON: I don't -- I really 22 MS. BRODER: Who did this brochure? The 22 don't know about that, yeah. Charter Review Commission did do the brochure. So maybe 23 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Dave said that. you do have to. I'll have to double-check. 24 right? 25 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Yeah, I would 25 CHAIR STONE: We're trying to corner Dave. Page 114 Page 116 1 double-check on that 1 "Yes, you did, Dave." 2 MS. BRODER: Yeah. Go ahead, Frank. 3 CHAIR STONE: Good point, Frank. COMMISSIONER DE REGO: I am not going to 4 Cliff, go ahead. 4 corner Dave. There was a general statement made early 5 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Yeah, I would like to on in the process that those ballot initiatives that 6 ask Dave a question, if it's -usually come in, in off years usually have a good chance 7 CHAIR STONE: Sure, one second. Dave. Dave. of passing. Usually, because they're narrowly focused. 8 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Yes, sir. 8 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Oh, that's right, yeah. 9 CHAIR STONE: Sorry, Cliff has a question for COMMISSIONER DE REGO: And the ones that come 10 you. 10 on the Charter are usually very broad and big changes. 11 COMMISSIONER DELEON: I didn't do it. CHAIR STONE: Thank you, Frank. Thank you. 11 12 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Dave, somewhere along 12 Okay. COMMISSIONER DE REGO: I still have one more 13 the way, I thought I heard you say once somewhere that 13 14 the -- the -- a number of proposal -- proposed 14 question in regards to a follow-up. 15 amendments were placed on the last ballot or on the 15 CHAIR STONE: Sure. Go ahead, Frank. 16 ballot in the past. And all of the -- the proposals 16 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: To what my line of 17 made by the Council were passed or something, and the 17 questioning was in regards to this. ones that came up from the -- from the Commission did 18 CHAIR STONE: Sure. 19 not or something like that. Didn't you say that one 19 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: So my understanding is, 20 time? You made that statement once, I think. 20 because I am still on this whole idea that you're on in 21 21 terms of calendar, so that would mean, by mid-May, we COMMISSIONER DELEON: In reference to the 22 Water Department, the -- there was at least one Council 22 would have our final idea of what's going to be 23 published, correct, for the newspaper or -- because we 23 proposal that succeeded that -- and the -- and it was 24 would have decided what our reaction to the Council is 24 either/or. So you either took the Council's or you took 25 the Charter Commission's. And the public took the 25 going to be and how we're going to rewrite our

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1 proposals. Is that what -- is that what I am -- is that 2 what we're looking at here? I am just asking the

3 question.

4 CHAIR STONE: So this is -- this is -- and 5 this is moving us forward into our calendaring for our

6 next regular meeting, which, presently, we have

scheduled for April 23rd. But I don't know if we have

3 any use of meeting before we're getting -- before we

9 receive the Council response back. Because we have our

10 special committees working on the items that, you know,

1 are before us, which are the explanations and the -- and

12 the publication stuff. So we'll talk about that. But

the meeting that's very significant following May 2nd is

14 May 7th.

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15 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: May 7th.

16 CHAIR STONE: Okay. So May 7th is the meeting

17 in which we have received back from Council the

8 proposals and their recommendations. Understood, Frank?

COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Okay. So --

20 CHAIR STONE: So May 2nd is back, May 7th is

21 our next very, very -- what I call our very vital

meeting because we're going to review what Council has

23 proposed upon our proposals.

COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Right.

25 CHAIR STONE: So if anybody has -- if anybody

(No Response.)

2 CHAIR STONE: No. Okay. So, Lisa, I am going

3 to go ahead and -- and call our next meeting for May

4 7th. All right? It will be 10:00 a.m. here at the

5 Planning Conference Room, Kalana Pakui Building.

6 Before we sign off, I want to just say, is

7 there any further discussion? Frank, go ahead.

8 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Yeah. Just getting

9 back to this, because I want to kind of nail this down,

0 so May 7th, we're assuming from 10 to 4, we're going to

11 nail down all our responses to the Council? I mean, is

12 that what we're --

13 CHAIR STONE: Sorry, Frank. I have a

14 clarification.

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COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Yeah.

16 CHAIR STONE: Lisa, how -- are we meant to

17 write a formal letter back to the Council or are we just

18 meant to take their recommendations and do our thing?

19 MS. KAHUHU: Chair, I just can go from the

20 Charter Commission deadlines that was provided to you.

21 And it says, again, that, upon receipt, if Council does

2 respond with proposed alternatives to the Charter

23 Commission by May 2nd, 2012, Charter Commission shall

24 review, accept or reject the Council proposed

25 alternative and report back to the Council any proposed

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1 alternatives rejected within 30 days.

CHAIR STONE: So all we need to do is send a

3 letter of rejection? That's it.

4 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Or acceptance.

5 CHAIR STONE: Just kidding. Of course, I

6 meant rejection or acceptance. But a list of rejection

7 or -- or accept -- I don't think we have any time to go

8 back and forth on -- on discussion of their why or -- so
9 it's a simple list, basically, is what we're discussing.

9 It's a simple list, basically, is what we're discussing.

10 So it's not like we're breaking their proposals down to 11 send back a list of, well, why not like this. We're not

12 debating. Okay. Got it. Very good. I don't think

12 debating. Okay. Got it. Very good. I don't tillink

13 that's going to be tough to do in one meeting, Frank.

14 All right.

15 Go ahead, Kay.

COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Are you also then

17 continuing with the meeting of May -- two weeks after

18 that?

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19 CHAIR STONE: I think at that time, once we

20 have -- because we -- and May 7th, what I would like to

21 see is that we have our understanding of what our final

22 proposals are. So the next meeting would be a very good

23 time to discuss publication, like looking at our draft

24 publications, looking at -- looking at our timeframe on

25 our publications and our advertising, and, also, the

1 can think of a good reason to meet before that April

2 23rd, can anybody think of a reason to meet before that?

COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: I was hoping we were 4 going to have a meeting on my birthday.

5 (Laughter.)

6 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Remember, this came

8 CHAIR STONE: Why don't we go to Hana and 9 celebrate your birthday?

10 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Little early on. She

11 handed me a card and it said happy birthday -12 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: We need a public

12 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: We need a public

13 hearing --

14 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: -- on the 23rd. I

15 said, wow, we're going to have a meeting on that day.

16 CHAIR STONE: Well, Cliff, I would rather

17 coming to Hana and have -- have the birthday party.
 18 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: Okay. Come to --

19 CHAIR STONE: That's awesome. Well, happy -- 20 happy birthday, early.

21 Yeah, but I do -- because I recall I was going

22 to cancel this meeting, and it was required, so it was

23 because you guys put out the word. So can anybody see24 the need for an April 23rd meeting previous to the May

25 7th meeting?

Page 121 Page 123 1 time to look at recommendations, which I am hoping to CHAIR STONE: Okay. Good. That would be 2 get from you guys. That's going to be a pretty long 2 helpful. Good. And then Maui News, obviously, we'll 3 discussion in recommendation. 3 get --COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: So if we cancel the --COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: I think other 5 the next April one, we can still do two, though, in May? 5 suggestions for Maui, Lahaina news and the Filipino CHAIR STONE: Yes. Yes. See, what I am publication. 7 saying is we're not going to be so busy until we get CHAIR STONE: Okay. 8 that stuff back from Council. And we don't have -- we 8 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Maui News. Okay. don't have the draft pamphlets and that kind of stuff 9 CHAIR STONE: Very good, any further -- go 10 until we're done on May 7th making sure that we're good 10 ahead, Susan. with what we're going with. Right? So we'll have a 11 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: I think what also 12 draft pamphlet by then, but I probably don't want to 12 complicates the procurement is not just the time factor, 13 bring that up at May 7th. I would like to bring that up but the fact that they -- these vendors, if it's an 14 at the next --14 amount over \$2,500, that they have to be able to produce 15 COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Okay. 15 a Hawaii compliance, and that includes -- what that 16 CHAIR STONE: Awesome. Frank, go ahead. 16 means is are they compliant on their GET, you know, all 17 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Just another question. 18 So, therefore, there's nothing, I think, preventing the 18 CHAIR STONE: I think what we need to do is go -- I want to thank them, by the way, for doing this 19 with bigger guys, the bigger companies definitely are usually -great job, our -- our Public Relations Committee. 20 21 There's nothing preventing them from going out and 21 COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: You would hope so. 22 getting bids now for designer or a --22 Don't be so sure. 23 CHAIR STONE: Absolutely not. 23 CHAIR STONE: I mean, I don't think we should 24 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Okay. 24 just go to three in order to avoid this problem. I 25 CHAIR STONE: I think in fact --25 think we should go to five, six printers, you know, Page 124 Page 122 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Printer? 1 five, six different -- if we have the possibility. That CHAIR STONE: In fact, because we've seen the 2 way, if they can't fulfill, at least we have three left. COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: Well, the thing I am 3 disaster of procurement right before our eyes, and it's 4 fallen on Lisa's poor shoulders, because we couldn't 4 saying, too, if she's going out for bids, you want to 5 nail down a secretary in time. Right? So that special 5 know that you up front. So if they can produce them, 6 it's very easy for them just to print it out off and 6 committee, working on the public relations, is hand it to you with a proposal. 7 definitely going to be starting that process. We 8 have -- we -- we should fit a pamphlet draft which we're CHAIR STONE: Thank you. 9 confident with that, you know, and start the bidding off COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: Then you don't have to 10 with that. Because we really need to get that going. 10 worry about it at the end of the day. 11 The designer, we can get -- everything we can get bid. 11 CHAIR STONE: Good point. Thank you. 12 We should start the process soon as possible. 12 MS. BRODER: It's very easy these days to show 13 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: So what --13 proof of conformity. It's all electronic, it's all 14 CHAIR STONE: Go ahead. Go ahead, Yuki. online. So, you know, I think anybody small or large 15 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: So what I'll do, then, 15 can immediately provide whether or not they can comply. 16 is also find out prices to advertise. If you could find CHAIR STONE: Good point, Sherry. I should 17 out for me on Molokai and Lanai and what the ad 17 not have said big, you guys, especially in this economic 18 deadlines are and the specs. Usually, they want it 18 19 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: You're a small camera ready. I really like color because if you don't do color, you kind of blend this in with everything else 20 businessman. 21 without costing -- also get prices for color and black 21 CHAIR STONE: There goes my chance for Mayor. 22 and white. 22 Shucks. Go ahead. 23 CHAIR STONE: Is that all right, Kay and 23 COMMISSIONER DELEON: A long time ago.

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(Laughter.)

CHAIR STONE: Go ahead, Yuki. What am I going

24 Stacy?

COMMISSIONER OKAMOTO: Yes.

Page 125 Page 127 1 to do with myself now? 1 from Ed on what's happened at Council? COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: The question, 2 CHAIR STONE: Why don't we do that off the 3 because -- I guess I have to ask Lisa all the different 3 record? All right. 4 requirements, but, because it's County funding, there 4 Okay. Without further discussion, I would 5 like to adjourn this meeting. 5 must be -- or County money or public money, there must COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Can we do that? 6 be some verbiage that has to be included in any kind of CHAIR STONE: At --7 written request for a quote. And does this have to be 8 -- do we have to put out something in the newspaper to 8 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Do it on the record. a say we're looking for quotes for and what it is? CHAIR STONE: You want Ed on the record? 10 There's no requirement? 10 MS. BRODER: We have too many people here, so 11 MS. KAHUHU: From past experience doing 11 I would recommend that we stay on the record. 12 different things, it was just a matter of actually 12 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Okay. 13 picking companies randomly from a phone book or anything 13 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: That's what I was going 14 else. 14 to say. 15 CHAIR STONE: Okay. 15 CHAIR STONE: Very good. Sorry. MS. KAHUHU: No special verbiage for the scope 16 16 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Without everybody 17 is what we call it. And I would only suggest that as 17 here -part of the scope, registering with Hawaii Compliance 18 CHAIR STONE: I preemptively was about --Express is required. 19 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: Exactly. 20 CHAIR STONE: So, Yuki. 20 CHAIR STONE: Without objection, I would like 21 MS. KAHUHU: At a minimum, one of the --21 to call Ed Kushi, Jr. to the witness stand. 22 CHAIR STONE: I authorize you to just send out 22 MR. KUSHI: What is the question again? 23 those bid requests with Dave and I just reviewing. 23 CHAIR STONE: We just wanted a quick update as 24 COMMISSIONER SUGIMURA: Okay. 24 to the highlights of the Council discussion on our --25 CHAIR STONE: Then we get that procurement 25 are they bashing us or not? Page 126 Page 128 1 going. MR. KUSHI: Not yet. They're in lunch break 2 Dave, you good with that? 2 right now. They reconvene at 1:00. They had public 3 COMMISSIONER DELEON: Yeah. testimony from various Commission Members, Fire, Police, 4 CHAIR STONE: Okay, good. 4 and the Personnel Director, and the Liquor, about the COMMISSIONER DELEON: As long as Yuki's going 5 evaluation, et cetera. They had questions of the Fire 6 to do the work. Commissioner, the Fire Chairman about the rescue 7 CHAIR STONE: She's already done all of the operations. And he answered very gingerly. They will 8 work. be going into your proposals right after lunch. 9 MS. KAHUHU: Chair, can I --COMMISSIONER DELEON: Good timing. 10 CHAIR STONE: There goes Dave's chance for 10 MR. KUSHI: There was discussion about -- we 11 Mayor. Okay. Go ahead. 11 had also discussed this at this body -- what does voting 12 COMMISSIONER DELEON: That was long gone, too. 12 mean, yes versus no versus spoiled ballots. They had 13 MS. KAHUHU: Yuki, if you need any assistance 13 the County Clerk up there explaining the deadlines. And 14 with drafting the scopes, I am happy to help. And then 14 that's about it. They had some other issues with the 15 I also will take responsibility for sending them out and 15 nominations to Lanai Planning Commission, so they're 16 keeping track of the responses and so forth. So you going to get into it in the afternoon. They plan to go 17 guys don't have to worry about that. possibly until 5:00, 6:00 today. 17 18 CHAIR STONE: Wow. I vote Lisa for Mayor. 18 CHAIR STONE: Wow. 19 COMMISSIONER DE REGO: You already promoted MR. KUSHI: They are going to review all of 19 20 her. your proposals, they have alternate proposals to your 21 COMMISSIONER HASHIMOTO: She's the power of proposals, then they have their own proposals. So it's 22 the County. 22 going to be a long day. 23 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Without further 23 CHAIR STONE: Okay. 24 discussion -- oh. Susan. 24 MR. KUSHI: If they can't finish by 5:00 or COMMISSIONER MOIKEHA: Can I get an update 25 6:00 tonight, today, they have a meeting, public meeting

Page 129 1 tonight, they plan to reconvene Friday. CHAIR STONE: Very good. Thanks for the 3 update, Ed. That was good play by play. 4 Okay. Without objection, I will adjourn this 5 meeting as of 12:50 p.m. Thank you, everybody, for 6 being here. Aloha. Thank you Akaku, very much. Thank you, Tonya. 8 (Meeting adjourned at 12:49 p.m.) 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 Page 130 CERTIFICATE 3 I, TONYA MCDADE, Certified Court Reporter of 5 the State of Hawaii, do hereby certify that the 6 proceedings contained herein were taken by me in machine 7 shorthand and thereafter was reduced to print by means

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