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**HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS &
INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS
6th Session**

DATE: May 3, 2005 (Tuesday)
PLACE: Councilroom
TIME: 10:00 a.m.

(Note: Please turn cell phones, pagers and other mobile communication devices on silent mode.)

CALL TO ORDER

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Presentation on Termites by Dr. Julian Yates, Plant and Environmental Protection Specialist at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa (Comm. 187.4)

REFERRALS

- Comm. 223:
(Bill 84) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 24 OF THE HAWAI'I COUNTY CODE 1983 (1995 EDITION) RELATING TO VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC (one-way streets - Sarona Road; prohibited left turn areas - Kuakini Highway at Sarona Road, Kailua-Kona)
From Public Works Director Bruce C. McClure, P.E., dated April 14, 2005, transmitting the above bill. As part of the Kuakini Highway Improvement project, the Department of Public Works, Engineering Division, will convert a portion of Sarona Road from one-way to two-way traffic, and prohibit left turns at Kuakini Highway. This change is necessary because a driveway serving Kuakini Towers will be removed.
- Comm. 225:
(Res. 83-05) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY BY EMINENT DOMAIN, BEING LOT R-1, TAX MAP KEY: (3)7-3-010:029, AND ROAD LOT A, TAX MAP KEY: (3)7-3-010:036 (PORTION), SITUATE AT KALAOA, NORTH KONA, COUNTY AND STATE OF HAWAI'I, FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF A CONNECTOR ROAD BETWEEN KAUHALE STREET AND AHIAHI STREET, KONA, HAWAI'I; and

(Note: Res. 84-05, also related to Comm. 225, continues on the next page.)

- (Res. 84-05) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY BY EMINENT DOMAIN, BEING ROAD A, TAX MAP KEY: (3)7-3-005:111, SITUATE AT KALAOA, NORTH KONA, COUNTY AND STATE OF HAWAI'I, FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF A CONNECTOR ROAD BETWEEN HOLU STREET AND KE'OKE'O STREET, KONA, HAWAI'I (for connector roads between the Kona Palisades, Kona Wonderview and Kona Coastview Subdivisions)
 From Assistant Corporation Counsel Gerald Takase, dated April 19, 2005, transmitting the above resolutions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Comm. 187:
 (Bill 71) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 1 OF THE HAWAI'I COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO BUILDING
 From Public Works Director Bruce C. McClure, P.E., dated March 21, 2005, transmitting the above bill. The County of Hawai'i is currently using the 1991 Edition of the Uniform Building Code, adopted on November 8, 1993. However, certain sections in the code do not apply to local construction conditions or situations. As part of the adoption process, the County of Hawai'i has presented revisions to the Building Code amendments to the community at four meetings, two in Hilo and two in Kona.

The purpose of this bill is to repeal Chapter 5, Article 1, Building Code, in its entirety by adopting amendments to address local conditions and situations. Significant changes to the amendments are: building permit fees have been reduced for buildings under 1,400 square feet, while for buildings larger than this, the fees remain the same; a building permit will not be required for one detached single-story non-residential use type building per property, and the building cannot exceed 120 square feet of floor area and must have a height, when measured from the ground, of 12'-0" or less; Package Model Homes may be pre-approved by the Department of Public Works, Building Division; increase the valuation of work from \$1,000 to \$4,000 that would require a building permit; and reduce retaining wall height from 6'-0" to 4'-0" that would require a building permit and an engineer's stamp.

Postponed: April 5, 2005

- Comm. 187.1:
 (Bill 71)
 (Draft 2) From Public Works Director Bruce C. McClure, P.E., dated April 1, 2005, transmitting Draft 2 of Bill 71. Draft 2 includes figures and maps to Amendment 5-1.0.126 that were missing in Draft 1, and edits subscripts and equations in Amendment 5-1.0.127 for improved legibility.
- Comm. 187.2: From Wilda Collins, dated April 6, 2005, expressing her concerns and providing some suggestions for the proposed Building Code.
- Comm. 187.3: From Elin Sand, dated April 11, 2005, opposing the section of the Building Code that requires chemical treatment for ground termites before pouring concrete.

Comm. 187.4: From Public Works Director Bruce C. McClure, P.E., dated April 13, 2005, informing the Council that Dr. Julian Yates, Specialist for the Plant and Environmental Protection Sciences at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, has agreed to provide a 20 to 30 minute informational PowerPoint presentation on termites, as several members of the public spoke against the mandatory treatment for ground termites required by the Building Code at a previous meeting of the Committee.

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC/ADJOURNMENT

The meeting place is accessible for persons with physical disabilities. Persons who need special accommodations to attend this meeting should call 961-8245 by *April 29, 2005*. Persons using TDDs may call 961-8521.

Copies of this agenda and the communications are posted and filed at the County Clerk's Office, 25 Aupuni St., Hilo; the Office of the Mayor, 75-5706 Kuakini Highway, Suite 103, Kailua-Kona; and the Kona Councilmembers' Office, Kailua Trade Center, 75-5706 Hanama Place, Suite 109, Kailua-Kona. For further information, please call 961-8245.

Note: Videoconference from the Kona Mayor's Office is not available for this meeting.

Those persons wishing to testify in person must register with the County Clerk's staff. Those testifying in person and submitting written testimony at the meeting should bring sixteen copies of the testimony for distribution at the meeting. Those persons unable to testify in person may submit testimony (1) by mail to the County Clerk's Office in Hilo at the above address, 2) by facsimile to (808) 961-8912, or (3) by e-mail to counciltestimony@co.hawaii.hi.us. Copies will be made and distributed at the meeting when transmitted in a timely manner. In any case, both oral and written testimony will be made a part of the public record.

VIEWING OF MEETINGS ON GOVERNMENT ACCESS TELEVISION - Channel 52 (Hilo/Kona)
Finance Committee meeting - Tuesdays, May 10 and 17, 2005, at 8:30 p.m.; Public Works and Intergovernmental Relations Committee meeting - Thursdays, May 12 and 19, 2005, at 8:30 p.m.; and both Committee meetings - Sunday, May 22, 2005, at 10:30 a.m.

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