

**MINUTES**

WATER BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF HAWAI‘I  
PUBLIC HEARING ON FISCAL YEAR 2019 OPERATING BUDGET AND 5-YEAR CAPITAL  
IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2019-2023

March 27, 2018

Department of Water Supply, Hilo Operations Conference Room; 889 Leilani Street, Hilo, Hawai‘i

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Craig Takamine, Chairperson  
Mr. William Boswell, Jr., Vice-Chairperson  
Mr. Nestorio Domingo  
Mr. Eric Scicchitano  
Mr. Keith K. Okamoto, Manager-Chief Engineer, Department of Water  
Supply (ex-officio member)

ABSENT: Mr. Leningrad Elarionoff, Water Board Member  
Ms. Kanoe Wilson, Water Board Member  
Mr. Bryant Balog, Water Board Member  
Mr. Russell Arikawa, Water Board Member  
Director, Planning Department (Ex-Officio Member)  
Director, Department of Public Works (Ex-Officio Member)

OTHERS PRESENT: Ms. Jessica Yeh, Deputy Corporation Counsel

Department of Water Supply Staff

Mr. Kawika Uyehara, Deputy  
Ms. Nyssa Kushi, Public Information Specialist  
Mr. Kurt Inaba, Engineering Division Head  
Mr. Richard Sumada, Waterworks Controller  
Mr. Clyde Young, Operations Division  
Mr. Eric Takamoto, Operations Division  
Mr. Warren Ching, Energy Management Specialist

(Chairperson Takamine called the public hearing to order at 9:42 a.m.)

Chairperson Takamine: Good morning. I'd like to call this public hearing of the Water Board on the proposed 2019 Operating Budget and 5-year Capital Improvements Budget for the Department of Water Supply please come to order.

My name is Craig Takamine. I am the Chairman of the Water Board, and the members of the Board who are here today are:

Board Members: William Boswell, Eric Scicchitano, Nestorio Domingo.

Chairperson Takamine: The Water Board, under Section 8-2(c) of the Hawai‘i County Charter shall adopt the Operating and Capital Improvements Budget for the Department of Water Supply; and under the hearing and advertising provision of Section 10-4,

Hawai'i County Charter, did publish public hearing notices in the Hawai'i Tribune-Herald and in the West Hawai'i Today on March 6, 2018.

We are here this morning to accept testimony on the budget. Is there anyone in the audience who wishes to testify? There being none, I would like to entertain a motion for this public hearing to be closed.

Mr. Boswell: So move.

Mr. Scicchitano: Second.

Chairperson Takamine: So do we have to hold off on doing that part?

J. Yeh: Yeah.

Chairperson Takamine: So we don't even go through this exercise?

J. Yeh: Because that one is on the Agenda.

Chairperson Takamine: Okay. So we just close.

J. Yeh: Close the hearing.

Chairperson Takamine: Okay. So we can vote on closing?

J. Yeh: Yeah.

Chairperson Takamine: Okay. All in favor say "aye."

Board Members: Aye.

Chairperson Takamine: Opposed? (none) Motion carried. Thank you.

(Meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.)

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Recording Secretary