

MINUTES

WATER BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I PUBLIC HEARING ON FISCAL YEAR 2022 OPERATING BUDGET AND 5-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2022-2026

March 23, 2021

Via WebEx/Host Location: Department of Water Supply, 345 Kekūanaō'a Street, Suite 20, Hilo, HI

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA WEBEX: Mr. William Boswell, Jr., Chairperson
Mr. Eric Scicchitano, Vice-Chairperson
Mr. Steven Hiramami
Ms. Judy Howard
Mr. Benjamin Ney
Ms. Julie Hugo
Mr. Kenneth Sugai
Mr. Keith K. Okamoto, Manager-Chief Engineer, Department of Water
Supply (ex-officio member)

OTHERS PRESENT VIA WEBEX: Ms. Diana Mellon-Lacey, Deputy Corporation Counsel

Department of Water Supply Staff

Mr. Kawika Uyehara, Deputy
Ms. Candace Gray, Waterworks Controller
Mr. Kurt Inaba, Engineering Division Head
Ms. Judith Hayducsko, Chief of Operations
Mr. Clyde Young, Operations Division
Mr. Eric Takamoto, Operations Division
Mr. Warren Ching, Energy Management Analyst

CALL TO ORDER: 9:48 a.m.

Chairperson Boswell Will the public hearing of the Water Board on the proposed 2022 Operating Budget and 5-year Capital Improvements Budget for the Department of Water Supply please come to order. My name is William Boswell, Jr., Chairman of the Water Board, and I will have the Secretary do a roll call of the Board Members present.

(Secretary did a roll call. Seven Board Members were in attendance: Mr. Hiramami, Ms. Howard, Ms. Hugo, Mr. Ney, Mr. Scicchitano, Mr. Sugai, and Chairperson Boswell were in attendance.)

Chairperson Boswell: 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 February 28, 2021. As stated in the hearing notice, all comments or testimony were to be filed in writing before the time of the hearing or anyone wishing to provide oral testimony during the meeting was required to contact the Department to register to take part in this Web Conferencing. Doreen, do we have anyone registered to take part?

Secretary: No, Mr. Chair.

Chairperson Boswell: At this time, I would like to enter in as public record, and at this time, I would like to entertain a Motion that this Public Hearing be closed.

K. Sugai: I so move.

J. Howard: Second, Judy.

Chairperson Boswell: It has been moved and seconded that the public hearing be closed. Could we do a roll call vote on closing the hearing?

(Secretary did a roll call. Ayes: 6 - Mss. Hugo and Howard; Messrs. Hirakami Scicchitano, Sugai, and Chairperson Boswell; Note: Mr. Ney experienced audio/visual problems).

Chairperson Boswell: Hearing is closed. Thank you.

(Public Hearing ended at 9:52 a.m.)

Recording Secretary

Approved by Water Board
April 27, 2021