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COUNTY OF MAUI, STATE OF HAWAII

CHARTER COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING

Held at the Planning Department Conference Room, 250 South High Street, Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii, commencing at 12:00 p.m., on Wednesday, May 9, 2011.

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2	BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	2	the excuse this time.
3	Joshua A. Stone, Chair Artemio C. Baxa, Member	3	(Laughter.)
	Stephanie S. Crivello, Member (In 12:02 p.m.)	4	MAYOR ARAKAWA: So what I'm going to ask all
4	Frank R. DeRego, Jr., Member Clifford P. Hashimoto, Member	5	of you to do is, why don't we start with Frank, and why
5	Wayne N. Hedani, Member	6	don't you go around, everybody explain a little bit
_	Susan A. Moikeha, Member	7	about themselves and their backgrounds? You're going to
6	Linda Kay Okamoto, Member Yuki Lei Sugimura, Member	8	be working with each other for a long time, so, going
7	Flo V Wiger, Member	9	over the Charter, you may as well get to know each other
8	STAFF PRESENT:	10	better and your backgrounds. Frank.
9	Edward S. Kushi, Jr., First Deputy Corporation Counsel Lisa Kahuhu, Executive Secretary	11	MEMBER DEREGO: Okay. My name is Frank
10	ADMINISTRATION PRESENT	12	DeRego, Jr. 1 am Program Manager with Maui Economic
11	Mayor Alan M. Arakawa	13	Development Board, born and raised on Maui. I won't
	OTHERS PRESENT.	14	start the rivalries, but a graduate of St. Anthony High
12	Alan Kaufman	15	School. Might as well get that started.
13	Dick Mayer Sally Raisbeck	16	MAYOR ARAKAWA: Forgiven.
	Jim Smith	17	MEMBER DEREGO: And I'm very happy to be here
14 15		18	with everyone. I'm sure we'll learn to know more about
16		19	each other as time goes. So that's it for me. Thank
17		20	you.
18 19		21	MAYOR ARAKAWA: Yuki,
20		22	MEMBER SUGIMURA: My name is Yuki Lei
21		23	Sugimura. I'm a small business owner.
22 23		24	MAYOR ARAKAWA: Just as protocol, talk into
24		25	the mic.
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up to that point in time, I was a resident of Kihei for 34 years. I am employed by Na Hale O Maui, a community land trust, the first and only one in the state. And we are providing affordable housing. And I oversee the rehab of the homes, so they're put back together, and provide a home for families that live and work here.

As far as family, I have four children, seven grandchildren. I'm very fortunate that they were born, raised and still live here.

Thank you.

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MAYOR ARAKAWA: Okay, Susan. Judge Baxa. MEMBER BAXA: My name is Artemio C. Baxa. 1 was born in the Philippines, but I have been a resident of Maui for the last 44 years, about 44 years. I currently live in Makawao. I am a graduate of the MEO, Maui Economic Opportunity, Inc. 1 have been a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for a number of years, I'm a retired Circuit Court judge, and I am back in my former job as a deputy prosecutor.

20 Thank you. I am so happy to serve in this 21 board.

22 MAYOR ARAKAWA: Thank you very much. 23 MEMBER CRIVELLO: Aloha, I'm Stacy Crivello, 24 keiki o ka aina o Molokai. I'm born and raised on 25 Molokai. And I'm very happy to be part of this process,

20 years, raised a family. I have two children, boy and girl. And I'm a small business owner in the Paja-Makawao area.

I am very excited to be a part of this Commission. I have been looking into some of the things that the previous commissions have done. And it's quite amazing what can be done with this Commission here. So I'm excited to be a part of it and I hope we make some positive changes.

MAYOR ARAKAWA: Thank you. Wayne. MEMBER HEDANI: Good morning. I'm Wayne Hedani. I'm President and General Manager of Kaanapali Operations Association in Kaanapali, which is a very long title for chief cook and bottle washer. I'm in charge of the common areas, basically, of the resort. So I'm the official janitor of Kaanapali. And we also do security, transportation services, architectural review for the resort and administer the resort's CC&Rs.

I was born in Puunene, lived Maui all my life. I'm a graduate of Baldwin High School. And I have two sons, Sterling and Brent. And my wife is Kay. And we live in Wailuku.

MAYOR ARAKAWA: Linda Kay. MEMBER OKAMOTO: Typically, I will answer to either Linda or Kay, but most people call me Kay. I am

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to serve all of our communities, Molokai, Maui and Lanai.

I'm a graduate of Molokai High School. I'm retired from Verizon Hawaii. I forget the year it was, but we're never retired. And, right now, I'm serving as Executive Director for Hale Ho'okupa'a, a substance abuse treatment center which is a nonprofit organization on the Island of Molokai.

MAYOR ARAKAWA: Thank you, Flo. MEMBER WIGER: Aloha, My name is Flo Wiger. Hive Lahaina. And I'm retired from the University of Hawaii, I worked with them for 10 years, but I retired only to do other things. So this is one of the other things that I do. I'm also a tutor at Lahaina Intermediate School for sixth graders. I taught college for 35 years on the mainland before we moved here. And I can tell you that being a tutor for sixth graders is a lot more difficult than teaching college, lots more.

I'm a member of -- I'm Lakota, member of the Standing Rock Sioux Nation in North Dakota.

MAYOR ARAKAWA: Thank you, Josh. 22 MEMBER STONE: Aloha, everybody. I'm Josh

23 Stone. I'm born and raised on the island of Oahu. 24 Graduated from Kamehameha Schools, Class of '89. I have

been lucky enough to be living here on Maui for the last

1 from the Island of Lanai. I have lived there for 44 years. My husband was born and raised there. We raised 3 three children there, graduated all from Lanai High School. And, unfortunately, ours did not stay. They 5 all went to college on the mainland and all live on the 6 mainland now.

I am a former school teacher. Currently, I have my own real estate company, and so still very active, active in the community. I'm currently president of our community association, which is like the United Way. It's not a political association.

MAYOR ARAKAWA: Thank you very much. And I wanted you all to introduce yourselves so that everyone could see just how diverse this group is and just how much talent we have within this group.

As Charter Committee members, you're going to be going over the County Charter. And you're going to be overlooking all of the different rules, requirements that we have within our Charter. Not only are you charged with looking at what's in the Charter, you're also charged with having discussions with our community and being able to present things to the community that you may want to add in the Charter. You may want to change the very structure which we do government business. The potentials are really in your hands.

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I have had the opportunity to talk to most of you on an individual basis, or in pairs, to give you a brief understanding of the brevity in which you can make decisions

The County Council and the Administration works under the auspices of the Charter. You may, in your wisdom, visit what the duties and obligations of all of the principals within our government system are and the jobs that you may want or feel that need to be changed to set the direction for Maui County. Your group is probably the most important group that we're going to be able to have with a single purpose in mind as far as the County government and structure is concerned.

I will be popping by occasionally from your meetings to be able to have some discussion with you during the next 16 months. And I would expect that all of you are committed to be attending at least 95 percent of the meetings because it's going to be very critical that you follow through and understand what everybody else is discussing.

When you're going through this book and literally looking at what we can and cannot do within the County, I would ask all of you to keep in mind what the goals you want to set for the community are. And

be very positive and there are going to be things that are going to be takeaways from the community. It's your job to be able to balance what everyone can do.

If, for instance, you were to add powers to various departments, you would then be taking away powers from the Administration or the Council. If you add powers to any of the other branches, you would be doing the same thing.

When you're looking at a lot of the boards and commission members and the powers that they have, adjusting those boards and commissions will also adjust how we do things within our community.

It's critical to understand the cause and effect of what occurs. And, also, I would ask all of you to truly use the common sense component. You know, many times we get very theoretical in how we make decisions and we try and become overly wise. And we forget that common sense must apply.

In many things that we do within our government, we outprice our citizens' ability to keep up with the rules and regulations and to pay for a lot of these applications. So when you're dealing with a community and you're trying to be able to see what it is to make the quality of life better for people in our community, take into account some of the economic

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once you understand what the goals are, then you can clearly establish what we need to be able to create from a County standpoint to be able to address those goals.

If you look at the geographical limitations of our County, you know that we have four islands within our jurisdiction. And there have been many, many discussion points about what to do with the governing bodies and how we should be managing each of the islands. And all are very, very unique, areas within our community are very unique, and have very diverse needs and very diverse assets.

So in your wisdom, as you're going through and looking at the Charter, to be able to put together a set of rules that are gonna govern how we work as a community that is as diverse as we are is going to be very difficult, at best. You're going to be torn by a lot of sentimental arguments. You're going to be given a lot of statistics. You're going to be told a lot of things by your friends and people within the community. All I ask is that you apply logic, understanding, patience and compassion. Listen to everyone, evaluate what they have to say, think it through, and think through the ramifications of what you actually create. Because for everything that you do, there is a plus and a minus. There's going to be things that are going to

realities, not the theories, the economic realities, in which our community must exist. And how we want to be able to make sure that even though we have these rules and we have the departments and we have goals and laws, we still have to be able to follow those rules from a practical standpoint.

You're going to be going through a lot of material. Even though this book seems small, every sentence has something that's important to consider.

And you have a time period. Ed Kushi, Corporation Counsel, will be able to guide you through it. And, again, we'll come down from our office and have some discussions with you from time to time.

And I wish you the very best. And I congratulate each one of your for your patience and consideration and thank you all for the time you're going to commit in doing this work. And trust me, it's going to take you a lot of time and energy.

So with that, one of my duties is to be able to appoint the Chair. And I have taken a lot of time and gone through each one of your resumes. And everyone here has been a leader in their own lifetime. Each one of you have been in very critical leadership positions. So it was a very difficult decision to come up with

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the individuals who represent us and how long they would serve.

And all I ask of you today is that you simply forget your own opinion when those issues come before you and appreciate that issues of that nature are so vital to how our government functions that, of necessity, it needs to be presented to the voters.

And that's all I have got to say today. Thank you very much.

CHAIR STONE: Thank you. Any questions from the Commission? Thanks for your time.

MS. KAHUHU: Jim Smith.

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CHAIR STONE: Aloha, Jim. Welcome.

MR. SMITH: Chair, Members of the Charter Commission, my name is Jim Smith.

I am so grateful for each of you being willing to spend your time here amongst us, helping us through what is probably the most difficult period in the history that I know of, of our Charter.

I would ask you to consider deeply the incorporation and article of incorporation, Section 1-1. It points to this Charter as being a social contract. It's a social contract. There are no goals of efficiency, there's just one thing, confirm equal dignity, equal dignity.

making special laws.

Now, this law applies to everyone, but it's a special law to a contract to resolve a legal issue, which destroys the separation of powers, it destroys my dignity as a voter who am assured that there will not be special laws.

This is a copy of that article. I leave it for the secretary, if you would like to read it.

More recently, we have, in the "The Maui News," on May 1st, "Project height bill, 'slap in the face." The County slapped a voter in the face. How did this person get that idea? Okay. Well, it got that idea because the Council went into Executive Session and came out with another resolution to a lawsuit which then created a height exemption for a specific project. Now that is a slap in the face of all of us.

Not just that person: In 2006, the Mayor then, Mayor Arakawa, came forward with a bill. He left office specific to this instance. The court took the matter up and found he did not have the power to do what he did. He comes back into office. Corporation Counsel brings to the Council a bill that changes the height of the particular requirement that he was found to have violated, to put it into context of his failure, and it a passed on first reading and it is now before the

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And I ask you that before you go to request proposed amendments from the directors, that you establish a core, a core principle upon which you go forward.

For example, specifically ask a director to identify the limits posed upon his duties by our Charter. I have experienced an unwillingness to consent to be governed by those who have public (inaudible). I think our news is fraught with it. We have policemen, in February, leafletting Walmart to support or oppose a particular piece of legislation. The duties in our Charter do not provide for that. How did they get permission and not me? They are government; I'm not. I cannot petition at Walmart because of my status.

This Charter says equal dignity. And I come to you and ask that you protect that, guard that. If that's the only duty you have, please embrace that.

I have before me — there is a concern. In

March, the issue of the Molokai Veterans problem came
up, and there was an Executive Session. And the

Corporation Counsel went in with our councilmembers and
they came out with a law that took the power from the

Department of Water Supply and transferred it to the

Department of Fire so that this lawsuit would go away.

Now, our Legislative Branch should not be

Council for second reading.

This is where you, I hope, will stand strong and together and protect us from the indignity suffered by those who will not consent to be governed, by those who would rather be proactive, would rather -- you go to Paia and you look at the fire station and you see, in front, a sign, T-shirts for sale. T-shirts for sale? It's the fire company. It's our County. And they're competing with T-shirts USA or whoever. What is that? What is that? Well, this is proactivity. This makes our Charter irrelevant when you have power that can be assumed.

Where did the power come to appoint the chair? I read the Charter. You are a commission. The Council is elected, the Mayor serves as presiding officer until the rules are created, and then it elects a chair. How does the Mayor now come and have a power? I searched the Code. There's no code that says he can appoint the Chair. Shouldn't you be electing your Chair? Where does that -- well, that power is not articulated, so it's mine. Self power. Seize that power. Individual power, more important than me, it's just survival of the economy. But this is a social contract. And you have to protect us from the entrepreneurship of those who would put themselves first.

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I ask you, please, I know you were flattered, but sit down first your driving moral principle and then go to your request for provisions that will help conform our government and entrepreneurial leaders to this document, the organic document, the one that's in ordinary language that I can read and come to you and say, hey, doesn't make sense.

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I will leave with you a copy of the bill which is a copy of the Planning Committee report on this issue of the height and the bill that is now before the Council and show you that, indeed, we need some help from you to protect us.

I look at your agenda. I cannot believe that it was actually serious. It's so large. If you can possibly get through it, I'd be amazed. But I would ask you to consider that the Budget should be last, okay, that you should really have your rules first. You should really be adopting your rules first, not after you decide on a proposed budget. Because how are you going to conduct your business? You need rules to conduct business. It should be first,

When you consider this G, which is II-G, which is the proposed Charter amendments, you shouldn't even formulate a letter until you've got your core, until you've got your core and you can have these people

And the other thing is when district voting comes up, which will be your chief problem about district voting, it's very hard to be fair to Molokai and Lanai and, yet, have one vote one person. We all know that's the problem.

My own personal preference at this moment, before I have heard all the testimony you're going to hear, would be to have three districts with three representatives in each district. That would give the opportunity to have a variety of people from a district and the smaller units might be able to elect a person, even if we have true district voting.

I guess that's all I need to say. Thank you very much.

CHAIR STONE: Thank you very much. Any *questions*, Commissioners?

(Silence.)

CHAIR STONE: Thank you. I think some key points came up. And from what I understand is, primarily, transparency is a very important goal here. And I think having the diversity of this group will help us keep things transparent and in line.

So let's move on with the agenda. So new business, selection of a Vice-Chairperson. So, Lisa, can you give me some input on that? Shall we --

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1 respond, what are your limits to your duties and how do 2 they interfere and how do they support incorporation 3 principle. Then I think there will be something 4 meaningful happen. 5

Thank you very much for your time.

CHAIR STONE: Thanks for your passionate testimony there. Commissioners, you guys have any comments or any questions?

(Silence.)

CHAIR STONE: No. All right. Thank you very much.

MS. KAHUHU: Chair, we have one additional person who signed up, Sally Raisbeck.

CHAIR STONE: Hello, Sally.

MS. RAISBECK: Good afternoon. Can you hear me? Okay. I hadn't planned to testify, but something Jim said struck a nerve, that I had debated whether to ask you. Please, do not go into Executive Session. I have seen this power abused a lot. And I can't see any reason you would be asked to go into Executive Session, but often it's simply to avoid the embarrassment of having an argument in public or to avoid the attorney

22 23 who's giving you advice having to be accountable for 24 that advice. So avoid Executive Session, if at all 25

possible.

MS. KAHUHU: I would ask your Deputy Corporation Counsel, your First Deputy.

CHAIR STONE: All right.

MR. KUSHI: Yes, Mr. Chair, Members of the Commission, the statute does provide for the Commission to select a Vice-Chair.

In response to public testimony, the Hawaii state statute specifically authorizes the Mayor to appoint the Chair. So I'm telling you right now. But, again, you need a Vice-Chair in case the Chair's not available. So I guess at this point in time, I would recommend that the Chair open the floor for nominations. If you feel uncomfortable about it, we can always defer the matter to the next meeting. And you need six votes to do any actions on an 11-member board.

CHAIR STONE: Just to verify, you mean if we feel comfortable about the appointment of the Chair or --

MR. KUSHI: No. Vice-Chair.

CHAIR STONE: I think we feel ready to do it. right, guys? So let's open the floor for nominations.

MEMBER MOIKEHA: Chair, I'd like to nominate Wayne Hedani as Vice-Chair.

CHAIR STONE: Okay.

MEMBER SUGIMURA: I second.

Page 26 Page 28 1 MEMBER OKAMOTO: I was going to second. some experience in chairing. And I don't know a lot of 2 CHAIR STONE: Okay. 2 other people and I haven't seen them chair meetings, but 3 MEMBER HEDANI: Mr. Chair, I would like to 3 I have seen Wayne and so I support that. 4 nominate Artemio Baxa. 4 As far as balancing the female-male thing, 5 CHAIR STONE: Second on that? 5 Mayor could have selected a female, too. So, I mean, I 6 6 MEMBER OKAMOTO: Second. don't think we should be worrying about that too much. 7 CHAIR STONE: Okay. So we have those members. 7 I think Wayne will do a good job. 8 8 Any other members? CHAIR STONE: Any further comments? Wayne. 9 MEMBER DEREGO: I would like to nominate Yuki 9 MEMBER HEDANI: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to 10 Lei Sugimura for Vice-Chair. 10 speak in favor of my nomination of Artemio Baxa. I 11 MEMBER HEDANI: Second. 11 believe that he has integrity, knowledge of 12 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Any other nominations? 12 constitutional aspects of our Constitution, State 13 No? Going once, going twice. 13 Constitution, as well as the existing Charter of the 14 County of Maui. I'd like to see someone serve as 14 (Silence.) CHAIR STONE: Okay. All right Discussion? 15 15 Vice-Chairman that is not necessarily directly connected 16 Let's have discussion, then. 16 to the visitor industry since it is such a large 17 MEMBER SUGIMURA: So I would like - the 17 industry on the island, someone who is neutral, who can 18 reason I wanted to support Wayne Hedani, also, is 18 represent everyone on the island and all aspects and all 19 19 because of his experience with working with perspectives. And I respect anybody that can control a 20 20 organizations like this. Because I think it's important courtroom, can control a Commission. 21 to have your enthusiasm and your level of commitment and 21 MEMBER OKAMOTO: Yeah. 22 to have someone who can be -- who can step in, in case 22 CHAIR STONE: Ed, thank you very much. Any 23 23 you can't be there, who can really move this group other comments? No? 24 24 forward. It's important because we're going to go MR. KUSHI: Mr. Chair, I suggest you vote on 25 25 through 18 months of what we need to do and get the job each one, one by one --Page 27 Page 29 1 done, we need to have that kind of strength. 1 CHAIR STONE: Okay. 2 2 CHAIR STONE: Okay. MR. KUSHI: -- in the order of nominations. 3 MEMBER BAXA: Mr. Chair, I would like to 3 CHAIR STONE: Sure. Let's go ahead and take 4 second Ms. Sugimura. the vote in the order of the nomination. So I believe 5 5 CHAIR STONE: Okay. That's a double-whammy it was Wayne Hedani who was first nominated. So do all 6 6 there. Go ahead. in favor? 7 7 MEMBER DEREGO: I would like to -- Yuki Lei is MR. KUSHI: If need be, you can do a roll 8 dynamic. She's also, as we can see with the number of 8 call. 9 9 things that she's involved in, very organized. And I CHAIR STONE: What is roll call? 10 can't help -- and I don't want to be ideological logical 10 MR. KUSHI: All in favor, raise your hands. 11 about this, but I think there should be some gender 11 CHAIR STONE: All in favor, raise your hand 12 balance in terms of who is Chair and who is Vice-Chair. 12 for Wayne Hedani. 13 If it was the opposite direction, I would be nominating, 13 MR. KUSHI: Lisa, what's the count? 14 14 you know, somebody of the opposite gender at this point. MS. KAHUHU: Five. 15 But I think gender balance is an important issue. And I 15 CHAIR STONE: Okay, five. That's majority? 16 16 would be -- and I think she's very qualified. So --MR. KUSHI: Motion fails. You need six. 17 CHAIR STONE: Any more comments? 17 CHAIR STONE: Okay. On the votes, is the 18 MEMBER MOIKEHA: As the maker of the motion to 18 Chair allowed to vote? 19 nominate Wayne, I totally support that. I have seen him 19 MR. KUSHI: On a tie. 20 chair a meeting before. I think what's important is to 20 CHAIR STONE: Okay. Okay. So next was Yuki. 21 21 keep on task with your agendas, control the So all in favor, please raise your hands for Yuki. So 22 22 editorializing from the public as well as from this we have a count of three. 23 committee. It's very, very important to meet the goals 23 MR. KUSHI: Three. Motion fails. 24 of why we're here. And I have seen too many meetings 24 CHAIR STONE: And all in favor of Judge Baxa? 25 where that gets out of hand. I think you need to have 25 That looks like one.

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MR, KUSHI: Should be.

next meeting, obviously. Okay.

MEMBER DEREGO: Okay.

MR. KUSHI: Again, you know, Mr. Kuwada, I

CHAIR STONE: So we'll have Mr. Kuwada at the

leave it up to him to tell you what his deadlines will

CHAIR STONE: Lisa, is there any way to turn

MS. KAHUHU: It's because we had a power

MR. KUSHI: You know, Mr. Chair, if I may, so

outage on Friday and it's damaged the system. So I was

told that all can I do is turn it off and turn it back

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1	I would suggest is like for the people coming from Lanai	1	MEMBER OKAMOTO: How about Wednesdays?
2	and Molokai, you know, allow provisions in the budget,	2	CHAIR STONE: All right.
3	or whatever, so that they can come in the day before,	3	MEMBER CRIVELLO: I have just one flight in
4	leave the day after, or stay overnight, if they need to,	4	and one flight out.
5	to accommodate the schedules.	5	CHAIR STONE: Okay.
6	CHAIR STONE: Okay.	6	MEMBER DEREGO: Yeah.
7	MEMBER DEREGO: The only limitation for me	7	MEMBER CRIVELLO: So our flight, for now,
8	would be like Mondays. That's really tough because the	8	anyway, it's running like leaving, for now, 8:30, and
9	staff meeting, so I feel like I'm out of the loop twice	9	leaves at 7:00 at night.
10	a month. But second Thursday of every month, I'm chair	10	CHAIR STONE: So 8:30 a.m. Okay.
11	of the Cost of Government Commission, so that would be	11	MEMBER CRIVELLO: 9:00, I arrive.
12	out.	12	CHAIR STONE: 9:00 arrival. Okay. So we have
13	CHAIR STONE: Okay, Clifford	13	Monday is out, Friday is out, Thursdays seem to be out.
14	MEMBER HASHIMOTO: Mondays are fine for me. 1	14	So by process of elimination, we're with Tuesdays, it
15	have one day, the fourth Friday of every month, I have a	15	looks like, if we can find space.
16	meeting in the middle of the day So that would be	16	MEMBER WIGER: Wednesdays don't work for me.
17	my only inconvenience I have.	17	MEMBER OKAMOTO: 1 just have — the second
18	CHAIR STONE: 1 just think	18	Tuesday, I have Urban Design Committee. But I think
19	MEMBER BAXA: Excuse me.	19	it's the second Tuesday of every months.
20	MEMBER HASHIMOTO: One more thing. Excuse me.	20	CHAIR STONE: So let's just in order to
21	Just one more thing.	21	check first and third Tuesday, it has to be after,
22	CHAIR STONE: Yes.	22	probably, 10:00 a.m. Otherwise, you won't be able to
23	MEMBER HASHIMOTO: If we stop late in the	23	make it.
24	day just remember I drive to Hana. So if we start	24	MEMBER OKAMOTO: 10:00 is the earliest I can
25	late in the day and we go late into the evening, that	25	be here.
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1	means I can't go home or or I I can go home if I	1	CHAIR STONE: First and third Tuesday
2	want to, but	2	MEMBER OKAMOTO: I believe mine is the first
3	CHAIR STONE: Okay, Thanks.	3	Tuesday, not the second.
4	MEMBER HASHIMOTO: It's just not fun driving	4	CHAIR STONE: Your meetings are the first
5	late at night.	5	Tuesday?
6	MEMBER OKAMOTO: Yes.	6	MEMBER OKAMOTO: But I can change that, if has
7	MEMBER DEREGO: Especially on that road.	7	to be.
8	MEMBER BAXA: If we have some difficulty with	8	CHAIR STONE: Okay. So any issues with first
9	Monday, I would be Monday would be a good day for me,	9	and third Tuesdays? And, again, you know, we're going
10	but if we can find another day except I would like to	10	to it's good to have the schedule laid out so we're
11	request that we do not set it on a Thursday. I sit on	11	not making plans during that time period. I just think
12	the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii and our	12	it's the smart thing to do. Otherwise, trying to get 11
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1	he charges, that's the limit.	1	MEMBER WIGER: Wonderful.
2	CHAIR STONE: Okay.	2	MEMBER OKAMOTO: And if we have any things we
3	MR, KUSHI: Likewise for the secretary.	3	see that might be in conflict, we could just notify you?
4	CHAIR STONE: Any more questions on the	4	MR. KUSHI: Of course.
5	budget? Okay. Let's move on.	5	MEMBER OKAMOTO: Okay. Thank you.
6	MEMBER OKAMOTO: Do we need to approve the	6	CHAIR STONE: Any further questions?
7	budget?	7	Proposed Charter Amendments. So at this time
8	CHAIR STONE: I was told no.	8	I think we're going to review the draft memorandum of
9	MEMBER OKAMOTO: Okay. Thank you.	9	Mayor Alan Arakawa, Department Directors, Chief of
10	CHAIR STONE: Proposed rules of the Maui	10	Police, and Chief of Fire Requesting Submittal of
11	County Charter Commission.	11	Proposed Charter Amendments.
12	It's Lisa. You're the next contestant.	12	Is that another Lisa?
13	MEMBER OKAMOTO: Is this the same as what was	13	MEMBER OKAMOTO: No. We have this. That was
14	in our packet?	14	in our packet.
15	MS. KAHUHU: Yes. So you did have it already.	15	MR. KUSHI: Mr. Chair, Lisa drafted up
16	Good.	16	proposed letters that you would sign on behalf of the
17	MR_KUSHI: Yeah, you've had it. Sorry about	17	Commission, one to the Mayor and all the department
18	the repetition.	18	heads, one to Chair Mateo and the Council people, the
19	Mr. Chair, Members, what Lisa's passed out and	19	County Clerk and the Council Services, and another one
20	what you have had and we won't I don't expect you	20	to all boards and commissions. It's, basically,
21	to adopt it today, but what the Commission 10 years ago	21	announcing your existence and summarizing what you're
22	reviewed and adopted. These are so-called	22	tasked to do and asking for their input.
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24	administrative rules, rules of conduct and how you conduct your business. Again, like I said to	24	The last line says, you know, the deadline for submittal is blank, 2011. That's just a recommendation.
25	Mr. Hashimoto previously, these things are usually	25	Nothing in the law says a deadline. But, you know, to
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1	covered by Chapter 91, HRS, rule-making procedures. The	1	enable you guys to start going out to the public, you
2	general theory or process is that you publish in the	2	should have at least an internal deadline. So we left
3	newspaper, you have a public hearing, it comes back, you	3	that blank. And it's up to you to kind of say.
4	get comments, then, finally, the Mayor signs off.	4	MEMBER DEREGO: The last Commission
5	That's Chapter 91. You guys are not subject to Chapter	5	Mr. Chair? The last Commission, what was the deadline?
6	91.	6	Did they set a deadline? And how far out was it from
7	Chapter 50, which governs the Charter	7	MS. KAHUHU: I believe it was around the
8	Commission, says the Commission shall adopt its own	8	middle of June, towards the end of June. It was
9	rules of procedure. So it's really up to you whether	9	definitely in June.
10	you want to adopt. What we have here is what was	10	MEMBER DEREGO: Okay.
11	adopted 10 years ago, so some of the dates might be	11	CHAIR STONE: Okay.
12	outdated. Just for your information, what I will do for	12	MEMBER OKAMOTO: If we adopt, these letters
13	the next meeting is update and revise it as I would see	13	would go out immediately?
14	and hope that you adopt. So just food for thought at	14	MR. KUSHI: Right.
15	this point in time.	15	MEMBER DEREGO: Yeah.
16	In lieu of no adopted rules, you're governed	16	MR. KUSHI: Let me tell you something.
17	by Robert's Rules of Order like other boards and	17	Drafting Charter amendments is not easy. Not anybody
18	commissions.	18	can do it.
19	CHAIR STONE: From past experience, were these	19	MEMBER DEREGO: Yeah.
20	rules effective? Did they run into issues with them?	20	MR. KUSHI: But I guess a letter to the
21	MR. KUSHI: Not that I know of.	21	Commission saying I propose to you should look at so
22	CHAIR STONE: Any questions?	22	and so, then the Commission can study it, at least. I
23	MEMBER WIGER: So at the next meeting, you'll	23	don't think you should expect a format approved as to
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24	have something	24	form Charter amendment. At least some ideas that you

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1	CHAIR STONE: I think that we should probably	1	their staff. It's kind of like a bullet point, but, in
2	push forward with this as soon as possible, obviously.	2	essence, duties and responsibilities. Like I said,
3	Any questions on the language? Wayne?	3	they're going to be independent contractors; they're not
4	MEMBER HEDANI: Move to approve.	4	County employees. They're not subject to furlough, they
5	MEMBER DEREGO: Second.	5	don't get sick leave, vacation, et cetera. And they're
6	CHAIR STONE: All in favor?	6	on a lump sum basis. Payment would be worked out
7	(A chorus of ayes.)	7	through probably invoice.
8	MR. KUSHI: Mr. Chair, with your approval, set	8	And, again, our office will work with your
9	a deadline. I would just maybe say any submittals are	9	Chair to start the small, not full-on, procurement
10	requested to be I mean anything submitted should be	10	process, at least get three bids.
11	submitted by July 1, June 30.	11	CHAIR STONE: Any questions on the draft?
12	MEMBER OKAMOTO: June 30, yeah.	12	MEMBER OKAMOTO: I have a bit of a problem
13	CHAIR STONE: Yeah. Let's say I mean, the	13	with the analyst. I think it needs to be spelled out a
14	sooner the better, obviously.	14	little more. For instance, on Number 6, "Prepares
15	MR. KUSHI: I'll tone down the language about	15	reports and recommendations." You know, I think that
16	the deadline.	16	they prepare the report and give us all the feedback,
17	CHAIR STONE: You get some grumpy people on	17	but we're the ones that make the recommendation. And
18	that one?	18	even with writing the final report, I think it needs to
19	MR. KUSHI: Well, you'll get some people.	19	be a little more specific that it is dictated by this
20	CHAIR STONE: Okay.	20	group, they are simply putting it together. That's just
21	MEMBER WIGER: Question?	21	my feeling.
22	CHAIR STONE: Sure.	22	CHAJR STONE: Any input on that?
23	MEMBER WIGER: In the previous experience,	23	MEMBER SUGIMURA: What does Corp Counsel say?
24	given that we're meeting in the middle of May, this will	24	MR. KUSHI: Good point, but I think it's
25	be going - this is going to take a bit to go out, I'm	25	clearly implied.
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1	just thinking, is that an appropriate amount of time? 1	1	MEMBER OKAMOTO: It's what?
2	want it to be done as soon as possible. I don't want	2	MR. KUSHI: It's clearly implied that they are
3	everybody to go, God, they're only giving us dah, dah,	3	at the will of the Commission. They don't just go out
4	dah, dah, So your advice, your best advice on	4	and do their own thing.
5	that?	5	CHAIR STONE: Any other
6	MR. KUSHI: Well, my advice is that you cannot	6	MR. KUSHI: But, you know, I can ~
7	prevent somebody from coming to the Commission and	7	MEMBER BAXA: Sir? Mr. Chair?
8	requesting you consider this.	8	CHAIR STONE: Yes.
9	MEMBER WIGER: Right. Right. Oh, absolutely.	9	MEMBER BAXA: The most important thing about
10	MR. KUSHI: It's, basically, just a notice to	10	the analyst is about the selection of the analyst. 1
11	internal County people.	11	know that Mr. Kushi mentioned that the last analyst was
12	MEMBER WIGER: So it's more of a good	12	Professor Van Dyke. And I'm not saying that he will be
13	guideline?	13	selected again, but from my point of view, my experience
14	MR. KUSHI: Right. And what we will probably	14	with him, he is an extraordinary person. If we will
15	do is publish a notice in the paper, too, to the general	15	hire this type of person, any kind of description will
16	public, saying that submittals to the Charter Commission	16	be I mean what we ultimately select will be the
17	is recommended by this date.	17	deciding factor, not so much about the job description.
18	MEMBER WIGER: All right.	18	CHAIR STONE: All right. So we should put a
19	CHAIR STONE: Okay. Next item, review draft	19	motion forward to accept that draft.
20	memorandum to oh, we just did that, those drafts.	20	MEMBER WIGER: So moved.
21	Good. Good.	21	MEMBER SUGIMURA: Second.
22	Down to Section H, Charter Commission Staff,	22	CHAIR STONE: All in favor?
23	Review of draft scope for Charter Commission Analyst.	23	(A chorus of ayes.)
1 ~ .	MR. KUSHI: Yeah. We just kind of summarized	24	CHAIR STONE: Motion passes. Okay. Next
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24 25	what the previous Charter Commission did in selecting	25	item, review of draft scope for Charter Commission

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1	MS. KAHUHU: Question. Did you want a draft	1	CERTIFICATE
2	of this publication to be brought to the next meeting or	2	
3	can we just go ahead with getting it put in the	3	
4	newspaper, if Ed drafts it?	4	1, TONYA MCDADE, Certified Court Reporter of
5	MR. KUSHI: We can start doing a draft and	5	the State of Hawaii, do hereby certify that the
6	have the Commission approve the draft	6	proceedings contained herein were taken by me in machine
7	MS. KAHUHU: Okay.	7	shorthand and thereafter was reduced to print by means
8	MR. KUSHI: once you get your time and	8	of computer-aided transcription; and that the foregoing
9	place and your meetings set.	9 10	represents, to the best of my ability, a true and
10	CHAIR STONE: Right. I think that's very	11	accurate transcript of the proceedings had in the foregoing matter.
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	12	I further certify that I am not an attorney
11	important. All right. So anything	13	nor an employee of any of the parties hereto, nor in any
12	MS. RAISBECK: May I make a suggestion? A lot	14	way concerned with the cause.
13	of people watch Akaku, a lot of people. And if you were	15	DATED this 18th day of May, 2011.
14	to be interviewed on Akaku, on any of their news	16	
15	programs or so on, that would probably get to a lot of	17	A walle with
16	people better than something in the classified section	18	James to the state of the state
17	of the newspaper.		Tonya McDade
18	CHAIR STONE: Thank you for your input. Thank	19	Certified Shorthand Reporter #447
19	you. Okay. Anything else?		Registered Professional Reporter
20	MEMBER MOIKEHA: Chair? Public testimony was	20	Certified Realtime Reporter
21	closed.		Certified Broadcast Reporter
22	CHAIR STONE: I'm sorry. Public testimony is	21	
23	closed.	22	
24	MEMBER MOIKEHA: I'm sorry. If we start	23 24	
25	making exceptions	25	
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1	CHAIR STONE: I'm sorry. We can discuss we		
2	can discuss that.		
3	MR. MAYER: Just one sentence?		
4	CHAIR STONE: All right. So I think we're		
5	good here. And we shall adjourn this meeting. Meeting		
6	adjourned.		
7	(Meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.)		
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