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Mr. Roy Amemiya, Jr., Managing Director
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Dear Mr. Amemiya:

Subject: **BUDGET COMMUNICATION NO. 10**
Follow up questions relating to the Budget Committee's Annual Budget
Briefings on the proposed Fiscal Year 2015 budgets

Based on discussions that occurred on March 10, 12, 13 and 16, 2015, please find the attached questions that require follow up from various departments.

Thank you and I look forward to each department's timely response. Should you have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at 768-5005.

Sincerely,

ANN H. KOBAYASHI, Chair
Committee on Budget

Attachment

cc: Department of Budget and Fiscal Services

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Office of the Mayor

- Please provide information on the League of Cities, including who can become a member, membership fees, and initiatives.

Budget and Fiscal Services

- Please provide a breakdown of \$50,000 increase in (OC #3006) in Treasury.

Liquor Commission

- Please provide a breakdown of the different types of liquor licenses and a breakdown of activities permitted by these licenses.

Department of Transportation Services

- Please provide further detail of the Multi-Modal Transit Fare Collection System (Project #2016035).
- Please provide an update on the funds added by the Council in FY 15 for increased bus service.
- Please provide information on how the Rail Transit Project will affect bus service travelling to and from East Honolulu.

Department of Community Services

- Please provide an update of the Office of Strategic Development and a breakdown of funds appropriated for the Office in FY 15.
- Please provide a list of grants that DCS will be pursuing, a timetable of when DCS will receive these grants, and a list of needs DCS is trying to fulfill through these grants.
- As of February 28, 2015, how many vacancies do Chinatown Gateway Plaza, Marin Towers and Harbor Village have? How many of these vacant units are larger than 1-bedroom units?
- Are these vacancies being filled by residents whose income levels are at 60% AMI and below, or are residents with income levels between 60%-100% AMI levels under consideration for rental units? If residents with income levels between 60-100% AMI are being considered for rental units, please provide a breakdown of the distribution of tenants whose income is at 60% AMI and below, and those tenants whose income levels exceed 100% AMI levels.

- What is the projected timetable for the Department of Community Services (DCS) and Facility Maintenance (DFM) to establish new or modified rent schedules for residents of Chinatown Gateway Plaza, Marin Towers and Harbor Village; and what is the projected timetable for a decision regarding the status of the buildings as eligible transit-oriented development projects?
- What outreach/notifications will be provided to residents of Chinatown Gateway Plaza, Marin Towers and Harbor Village in order to prepare for any changes to the City's rental policies?
- Please provide an update on the disbursement of Grants in Aid moneys for fiscal year 2015.

Department of Design and Construction

- Please explain the \$5,000 addition in Other Building and Construction Materials (OC #2607, pg 89) in Project and Construction Management.
- Please provide greater detail for Fees For Memberships & Registration (OC #3751, pg 92), Subscriptions (OC #3752, pg. 92), and Auto Allowances-Other (non-Taxable) (OC #3821, pg. 92).
- Please list the intended improvements to City facilities included in Other Professional Services (OC #3006, pg 90) in Project and Construction Management.
- Have we spent all of our road repaving appropriations from the last 3 years? How much has been expended vs. encumbered?

Department of Enterprise Services

- Waipahu Cultural Gardens & Plantation Village. Please provide details about the status of the Agreement for the Waipahu Cultural Gardens & Plantation Village.
- Please provide details on past funding appropriations for Zoo wayfinding. How much was expended and how much lapsed?

Department of Environmental Services

- What specific budget amendments (position counts, funding breakouts, etc.) would be necessary to shift Stormwater to DFM?

Department of Facilities Maintenance

- How many street sweepers do we have operating?
- Please provide a cost breakdown of the excavators.
- DFM will be filling 147 vacancies. Please provide how many of these vacancies will be for positions at the Pearl City Corporation Yard.
- Please provide information on the number of clean ups and the cost of enforcing the Stored Property Ordinance.

Honolulu Police Department

- Please provide status update of the maintenance and repairs for the Kalihi Police Station.
- There is \$162,000 in the budget to purchase ATVs for various districts. Please list how many ATVs and where they will be stationed.

Honolulu Fire Department

- Please provide more detail and information on the cost of resources and equipment used to rescue stranded hikers.
- Please provide information on the Hauula Fire Station final cost estimate.

Department of Emergency Services

- Please provide information on the number of homeless persons who require transportation to the various hospitals.
- Please provide a status update of the Ewa Beach fire station and the possibility of EMS moving into the fire station.

Department of the Prosecuting Attorney

- \$30,000 in additional funding was requested for 10 parking stalls for 10 deputy attorneys. How much is the City's subsidy for each of these parking stalls?
- \$144,900 in additional funding was requested for 51 laptops (\$102,000) and 52 desktops (\$42,900) so that they would be compatible with the Prosecution by Karbel (PbK) system. Was the PbK software recently upgraded, or was it always incompatible with the computers at PAT? Why was this funding denied by the Administration?

Department of Parks and Recreation

- Please provide a timeline, status update, and the goals and objectives for Kapaolono Park in Kaimuki.
- Please provide a status update and timeline concerning the resurfacing of the play courts and the installation of play apparatus at Kalihi Waena Park.
- Please provide a status update and timeline the master planned park improvements for Oneula Beach Park.
- Please provide details on how much was spent on the consultants for the Ala Moana Park Master Plan.
- Please provide details on maintenance and repairs of Hanauma Bay.
- Please provide update on the reconstruction of the pool at the McCully District Park.
- Please provide update on park improvements at Crane Park.
- Please provide update on repair or replacement of fences at Manoa District Park.
- Please provide plans for parking lot and basket ball court at Hans L'Orange park
- Please provide an assessment of health concerns regarding the use of Synagro pellets at parks.
- Project #2005117 Recreation District No. 5 Improvements—for FY16 includes parking lot improvements at Hans L'Orange Neighborhood Park. Is there a plan to possibly eliminate the basketball courts and expand the parking area at Hans L'Orange Park? And if so, what is the timetable?
- Object code 3049 Administration, Other Services includes \$2,008,500 for 16 play apparatuses and 24 comfort stations. Please provide a list of all parks that will be receiving repairs to the play apparatuses and comfort stations.