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TO: KIANA PASCUAL
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

FROM: Councilmember Esther Kia'āina

RE: PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Attached please find my proposed amendments to the following budget bills for consideration by the Budget Committee:

Bill 22 (2026), CD1: Executive Operating Budget

Thank you.

COUNCIL COM. 84(26) BUD

EXECUTIVE OPERATING BUDGET

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO BILL 22 (2026), CD1

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DATE:	4/16/2026
COUNCILMEMBER:	Esther Kia'āina
STAFF & PHONE EXT:	Sarah Beamer x85015
FUNCTION:	General Government
PROGRAM:	Planning and Zoning
DEPARTMENT:	Planning and Permitting
ACTIVITY:	Site Development

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT				ADDITIONAL EXPLANATION
	POSITION COUNT (+/-)	AMOUNT (+/-)	CHARACTER OF EXPENDITURE	FUND CODE	
Delete funding for salaries. Delete proviso: "At least $240,000 out of current expenses for OC 1123 - Recruit & Retention Incentive for the implementation of an educational loan forgiveness program for up to 20 engineers."		($240,000)	S	GN	The amendment was previously approved of and inserted into Bill 22, CD1. The amendment is being moved from the DPP Site Development activity to the Builidng activity upon the recommendation of the DPP Director.

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COUNCILMEMBER:	Esther Kia'āina
STAFF & PHONE EXT:	Sarah Beamer x85015
FUNCTION:	Public Safety
PROGRAM:	Emergency Management
DEPARTMENT:	Emergency Management
ACTIVITY:	Emergency Management Coordination

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT				ADDITIONAL EXPLANATION
	POSITION COUNT (+/-)	AMOUNT (+/-)	CHARACTER OF EXPENDITURE	FUND CODE	
Add positions and funding for salaries.	5.00	$328,776	S	GN	

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COUNCILMEMBER:	Esther Kia'āina
STAFF & PHONE EXT:	Sarah Beamer x85015
FUNCTION:	Public Safety
PROGRAM:	Protective Inspection
DEPARTMENT:	Planning and Permitting
ACTIVITY:	Building

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT				ADDITIONAL EXPLANATION
	POSITION COUNT (+/-)	AMOUNT (+/-)	CHARACTER OF EXPENDITURE	FUND CODE	
Add funding for salaries. Add proviso: "At least $240,000 out of salaries shall be appropriated for OC 1123 - Recruit & Retention Incentive for the implementation of an educational loan forgiveness program for up to 20 engineers."		$240,000	S	GN	The amendment was previously approved of and inserted into Bill 22, CD1. The amendment is being moved from the DPP Site Development activity to the Builidng activity upon the recommendation of the DPP Director. The Hawai'i SPEED Task Force recommended that counties invest in a long-term permitting workforce strategy. This amendment seeks to do that by helping DPP recruit engineers to address the permitting backlog facing the department.

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COUNCILMEMBER:	Esther Kia'āina
STAFF & PHONE EXT:	Sarah Beamer x85015
FUNCTION:	Human Services
PROGRAM:	Human Services
DEPARTMENT:	Community Services
ACTIVITY:	Office of Grants Management

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT				ADDITIONAL EXPLANATION
	POSITION COUNT (+/-)	AMOUNT (+/-)	CHARACTER OF EXPENDITURE	FUND CODE	
Add a position and funding for salaries. Add proviso: "At least $66,324 out of salaries shall be appropriated for a Planner IV to support the contracting and administration of grant funding."	1.00	$66,324	S	GN	Planner IV, SR-22 at Step D
Add funding for current expenses. Add proviso: "At least $2,000,000 out of current expenses shall be appropriated to fund additional grants as recommended by the Grants in Aid Advisory Commission."		$2,000,000	CE	GR	

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STAFF & PHONE EXT:	Sarah Beamer x85015
FUNCTION:	Miscellaneous
PROGRAM:	Other Miscellaneous
DEPARTMENT:	
ACTIVITY:	Provision for Judgments, Settlements and Losses

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT				ADDITIONAL EXPLANATION
	POSITION COUNT (+/-)	AMOUNT (+/-)	CHARACTER OF EXPENDITURE	FUND CODE	
Reduce funding for current expenses		($2,635,100)	CE	GN	

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COUNCILMEMBER:	Esther Kia'āina
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FUNCTION:	Miscellaneous
PROGRAM:	Transfers to Other Funds
DEPARTMENT:	
ACTIVITY:	Transfer to Grants in Aid Fund

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT				ADDITIONAL EXPLANATION
	POSITION COUNT (+/-)	AMOUNT (+/-)	CHARACTER OF EXPENDITURE	FUND CODE	
Increase funding for current expenses		$2,000,000	CE	GN	