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TO: Finance and Infrastructure Committee

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AGENDA ITEM: Update on ensuring Board of Education policies and structures enable the Department of Education to complete all facilities projects at its schools with the greatest socioeconomic and academic needs as determined by an equity priority order (FIC Strategic Priority 2): timeline

I. BACKGROUND

At its August 15, 2019 meeting, the Finance and Infrastructure Committee (“FIC”) adopted a work plan and timeline for FIC Strategic Priority 2, ensure Board of Education policies and structures enable the Department of Education (“Department”) to complete all facilities projects at its schools with the greatest socioeconomic and academic needs as determined by an equity priority order.¹

In accordance with this timeline, the Department presented a draft policy to FIC at its September 19, 2019 meeting. FIC members provided comments and asked the Department to present a revised policy at its October 3, 2019 meeting.

The next task on the timeline is for the Department to present a draft repair and maintenance (“R&M”) priority list and draft Capital Improvement Project (“CIP”) execution criteria. This is scheduled to occur at FIC’s November 21, 2019 meeting.

The policy is not ready to be presented at the meeting today, but I do not want to fall behind on the timeline. As such, I am asking that FIC Vice Chairperson Bruce Voss to work on revising the policy and for the Department to work on a draft R&M priority list and CIP execution criteria. The draft policy, draft R&M priority list, and CIP execution criteria will all be presented to FIC at its November 21, 2019 meeting. I believe that looking at these three elements as a package will be helpful in developing a clear and useful policy.

¹ The memorandum describing the work plan and timeline is available here: http://boe.hawaii.gov/Meetings/Notices/Meeting%20Material%20Library/FIC_20190815_Action%20on%20work%20plan%20and%20timeline%20for%20FIC%20Priority%202%20281%29.pdf