

PARLIAMENT

of the

CAYMAN ISLANDS

REPORT OF THE STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE

ON THE

APPROPRIATION CHANGES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 12 OF THE PUBLIC MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE ACT (2020 REVISION)

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER, 2022

Thursday, 15th December, 2022

Laid upon the Table of this Honourable House this 15th day of December, 2022.

1. **Reference**

The Standing Finance Committee (the "Committee") met to consider requests for Supplementary Expenditure Appropriations - brought to the Committee - pursuant to Section 12 of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision), with respect to the Financial Year ending 31 December 2022.

This Report and Minutes of the Committee's 15th December, 2022 meeting is to be Tabled in the Parliament with respect to Appropriation changes approved by the Committee – pursuant to Section 12 of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision), for the Financial Year stated in the previous paragraph.

2. Composition of Committee

In accordance with the provisions of the Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009, Section 71(7), the Committee comprises all Elected Members of the Parliament with the Honourable Minister of Finance as Chairman of the Committee.

3. Consideration of Appropriations

The Committee had before it Supplementary Expenditure Appropriations requests for the Financial Year ending 31 December, 2022.

The Committee met on Thursday, 15th December, 2022 to consider such requests. The Minutes of the meeting is appended hereto and form part of this Report.

The Committee met again on Thursday, 15th December, 2022, to consider and approve this Report.

4. Chief Officers, Witnesses and Persons in Attendance

Chief Officers attended the meeting to provide information to the Committee. Other Government Officers were also in attendance to provide information and/or to assist the Committee and Chief Officers. Their names are set out in the Minutes of proceedings.

5. The Committee considered the Paper titled "Requests to Finance Committee for Appropriation Changes sought under Section 12 of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision)" for the year ending 31 December, 2022 and approved the Supplementary Expenditure Appropriation requests, contained therein.

6. Report of the Standing Finance Committee to the House

The Committee agreed that this Report be the Report of the Standing Finance Committee on the requested Supplementary Expenditure Appropriation changes for the Financial Year ending 31 December, 2022 and, that it be laid upon the Table of this Honourable House.

Hon. Christopher S. Saunders, MP
Deputy Premier
Minister of Finance & Economic Development and
Minister of Border Control and Labour
Elected Member for Bodden Town West

Chairman

Hon. G. Wayne Panton, JP, MP
Premier
Minister of Sustainability and Climate Resiliency
Elected Member for Newlands

Hon. Katherine A. Ebanks-Wilks, MP Speaker Elected Member for West Bay Central

Hon. Kenneth V. Bryan, MP Minister of Tourism and Transport Elected Member for George Town Central

Hon. Sabrina T. Turner, MP Minister of Health *and* Wellness And Home Affairs Elected Member for Prospect

Hon. Johany S. (Jay) Ebanks, MP Minister of Planning, Agriculture, Housing and Infrastructure Elected Member for North Side Hon. André M. Ebanks, MP Minister of Financial Services & Commerce and Minister of Investment, Innovation & Social Development Elected Member for West Bay South

> Hon. Bernie A. Bush, MP Minister of Youth, Sports, Culture & Heritage Elected Member for West Bay North

> Hon. Juliana Y. O'Connor-Connolly, JP, MP Minister of Education and Minister of District Administration and Lands Elected Member for Cayman Brac East

Hon. Dr. W. McKeeva Bush, MSc (Hon), JP, MP Elected Member for West Bay West

Ms. Heather D. Bodden, JP, MP
Parliamentary Secretary for (Tourism and Transport)
and (Social Development)
Elected Member for Savannah

Mr. Isaac D. Rankine, MP Parliamentary Secretary for (Planning, Agriculture, Housing and Infrastructure) and (Home Affairs) Elected Member for East End

Mr. Dwayne S. Seymour, JP, MP
Deputy Speaker
Elected Member for Bodden Town East

Hon. Roy M. McTaggart, JP, MP Leader of the Opposition Elected Member for George Town East Mr. Joseph X. Hew, MP Elected Member for George Town North Hon. Sir Alden McLaughlin, KCMG, MBE, JP, MP Elected Member for Red Bay Mr. Moses I. Kirkconnell, JP, MP Elected Member for Cayman Brac West and Little Cayman Ms. Barbara E. Conolly, JP, MP Elected Member for George Town South Mr. David C. Wight, JP, MP Elected Member for George Town West

Minutes of Proceedings of the

Standing Finance Committee on Supplementary Expenditure Appropriations for the Financial Year 2022

First Meeting Thursday, 15th December, 2022

Minutes of proceedings of the Standing Finance Committee (the "Committee") meeting held Thursday, 15th December, 2022 at 10:00 am in the Chamber of the House of Parliament, George Town, Grand Cayman.

Present: Hon. Christopher S. Saunders, MP – Chairman

Hon. G. Wayne Panton, JP, MP Hon. Katherine A. Ebanks-Wilks, MP

Hon. Kenneth V. Bryan, MP Hon. Sabrina T. Turner, MP Hon. Johany S. (Jay) Ebanks, MP Hon. André M. Ebanks, MP Hon. Bernie A. Bush, MP

Hon. Dr. W. McKeeva Bush, JP, MP Ms. Heather D. Bodden, JP, MP Mr. Isaac D. Rankine, MP Mr. Dwayne S. Seymour, JP, MP Hon. Roy M. McTaggart, JP, MP Mr. Moses I. Kirkconnell, JP, MP Mr. David C. Wight, JP, MP

Apologies: Hon. Juliana Y. O'Connor-Connolly, JP, MP

Mr. Joseph X. Hew, MP

Hon. Sir Alden McLaughlin, KCMG, MBE, JP, MP

Ms. Barbara E. Conolly, JP, MP

In Attendance: Mr. Kenneth Jefferson, JP – Financial Secretary and Chief Officer, Ministry of Finance &

Economic Development

Mr. Matthew Tibbetts – Accountant General, Ministry of Finance & Economic Development

1. **Reference**

The Committee met following a request from the Honourable Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Chairman of the Committee, for the Committee to consider Supplementary Expenditure Appropriation requests – pursuant to Section 12 of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision).

2. Meeting to Order

There being a quorum present the Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

3. **Prayers**

The Honourable Roy McTaggart, Leader of the Opposition offered a word of prayer.

4. Consideration of Supplementary Expenditure Appropriations for the Financial Year ending 31 December 2022 – Pursuant to Section 12 of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision).

The Committee commenced consideration of the following:

1. REQUEST FOR CHANGES TO APPROPRIATIONS

APPROPRIATION CHANGES SOUGHT BY THE MINISTER FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION AND LANDS

OTHER EXECUTIVE EXPENSE SOUGHT BY THE MINISTER FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION AND LANDS

| Appropriation Reference | Appropriation Name | 2022 Original Appropriation \$ | 2022 Section 12 of PMFA \$ | 2022 Revised Budget \$ |
|----------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| OE 134 | Depreciation of Executive Assets – Ministry of District Administration and Lands | 625,000 | 6,520,000 | 7,145,000 |

Description

Depreciation of Executive Assets.

Reason for Appropriation Change:

To fund the depreciation of Executive Assets (roads and buildings) that were a part of the post-election transfer of assets from the previous Ministry.

Discussions ensued on OE 134.

Question Put: Agreed that the appropriation for OE 134 is approved—pursuant to Section 12 of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision).

APPROPRIATION CHANGES SOUGHT BY THE MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS

SUPPLIER OF OUTPUT: MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

| Appropriation Reference | Appropriation Name | 2022 Original Appropriation \$ | 2022 Section 12 of PMFA \$ | 2022 Revised Budget \$ |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| HAF 6 | Regiment Services | 1,500,000 | 135,186 | 1,635,186 |

Description

Provision of a military regiment specialising in disaster relief and security.

Training of personnel in first aid, basic water rescue, drill, navigation, weapon handling, field craft, Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR).

Maintaining high levels of physical fitness, including physical training, endurance training, sport and annual mandatory fitness tests.

- Specialist Team Training including:
- Driver Training
- Team Medic Training
- Advanced Swimmer Training
- Ground Air Coordination Training
- Fire Liaison Training

Leadership training including Driver Supervision, Advanced Navigation, Method of Instruction (MOI), Lesson Planning, Team building and supervision and Risk Assessment.

Instructor training, including First Aid Instructor, Chainsaw Instructor, Drill Instructor, Physical Training Instructor.

Maintain and service a fleet of vehicles used to support the Regiment in its duties.

Maintain and service supplies and equipment used to support the Regiment in its duties.

Carry out training exercises to test readiness.

Participate in National Parades.

Provide community service to the wider community, including community projects.

Reason for Appropriation Change:

To convert the role of the Commanding Officer of the Cayman Islands Regiment (CIR) to a full-time position.

Question Put: Agreed that the appropriation for HAF 6 is approved—pursuant to Section 12 of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision).

5. Adjournment

The Honourable Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Chairman of the Finance Committee, adjourned the Meeting at 10:05 am.

Minutes of Proceedings of the

Standing Finance Committee

on Appropriation changes in accordance with Section 25 of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision) for the Financial Years 2020 and 2021

Meeting Thursday, 15th December, 2022

Minutes of proceedings of the Standing Finance Committee meeting held on Thursday, 15th December, 2022 at 1:20 pm in the Committee Room of the House of Parliament Building, George Town, Grand Cayman.

Present: Hon. Christopher S. Saunders, MP – Chairman

Hon. G. Wayne Panton, JP, MP

Hon. Katherine A. Ebanks-Wilks, MP

Hon. Kenneth V. Bryan, MP

Hon. Sabrina T. Turner, MP

Hon. Johany S. "Jay" Ebanks, MP

Hon. André M. Ebanks, MP

Hon. Bernie A. Bush, MP

Hon. Juliana Y. O'Connor-Connolly, JP, MP

Hon. Dr. W. McKeeva Bush, JP, (Hon) MSc, MP

Hon. Dwayne S. Seymour, JP, MP

Mr. Isaac D. Rankine, MP

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Ms. Heather D. Bodden, OCI, Cert Hon, JP, MP

Hon. Roy M. McTaggart, JP, MP Mr. Moses I. Kirkconnell, JP, MP Mr. David C. Wight, JP, MP

Hon. Sir Alden McLaughlin, KCMG, MBE, KC, JP, MP

Ms. Barbara E. Conolly, JP, NP, MP

1. Meeting to Order

Apologies:

There being a quorum present the Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:20 pm.

2. Consideration of Minutes and Reports

(i) The Committee considered the Draft Minutes of Proceedings of the Standing Finance Committee on Appropriation changes in accordance with Section 25 of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision) for the Financial Years 2020 and 2021, on 15th December, 2022.

Question Put: Agreed. The Minutes of Proceedings of the Standing Finance

Committee of 15th December, 2022.

Question Put: Agreed. Paragraphs 1 through 6 of the Report passed with

Amendments.

Question Put: Agreed that this Report of the Standing Finance Committee on the

Supplementary Appropriation Bills for the 2020 and 2021 Financial Years in accordance with Section 25 of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020

Revision) be the Report to be laid on the Table of the House.

(ii) The Committee considered the Draft Report of the Standing Finance Committee on the Appropriation Changes in accordance with Section 12 of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision).

Question Put: Agreed. The Minutes of Proceedings of the Standing Finance

Committee of 15th December, 2022.

Question Put: Agreed. Paragraphs 1 through 6 of the Report passed with

Amendments.

Question Put: Agreed that this Report of the Standing Finance Committee on the

Supplementary Appropriation Bills for the 2020 and 2021 Financial Years in accordance with Section 12 of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020)

Revision) be the Report to be laid on the Table of the House.

3. Adjournment

At 1:40 pm the Chairman of the Standing Finance Committee adjourned the meeting.