

**COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI**

**POLICY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,  
AND AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE**

January 19, 2018

**Committee  
Report No. \_\_\_\_\_**

Honorable Chair and Members  
of the County Council  
County of Maui  
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Policy, Economic Development, and Agriculture Committee, having met on January 4, 2018, makes reference to County Communication 17-7, from Council Chair Mike White, relating to nominations to boards, committees, and commissions.

By correspondence dated and received on November 24, 2017, the Acting Mayor transmitted a proposed resolution, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF LEONORA ESPANIOLA TO THE MOLOKAI PLANNING COMMISSION," along with a completed application form for the nominee. The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve or disapprove the Acting Mayor's nomination of Leonora Espaniola to the Molokai Planning Commission, for a term expiring on March 31, 2021, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Robert Stephenson.

With respect to Mr. Stephenson's vacancy, your Committee notes the Mayor transmitted a proposed resolution, dated and received on September 28, 2017, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF GAYLA ANN HALINIAK-LLOYD TO THE MOLOKAI PLANNING COMMISSION," along with a completed application form for the nominee. The purpose of the proposed resolution was to approve or disapprove the Mayor's nomination of Gayla Ann Haliniak-Lloyd to the Molokai Planning Commission, for a term expiring on March 31, 2021, to fill Robert Stephenson's vacancy.

By correspondence dated October 18, 2017, Ms. Haliniak-Lloyd withdrew her name from consideration because of personal circumstances.

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Your Committee also notes it previously reported on this matter through Committee Report 17-197, which recommended the proposed resolution, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF JOHN SPRINZEL TO THE MOLOKAI PLANNING COMMISSION," be adopted. Your Committee notes that, although Mr. Sprinzel was nominated to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Stephenson's resignation, your Committee recommended he instead fill a shorter term to expire on March 31, 2018, to fill a vacancy on the Molokai Planning Commission due to the resignation of Wiliama Akutagawa. At its meeting of December 15, 2017, the Council adopted the recommendation in Committee Report 17-197 (Resolution 17-182).

Your Committee notes general appointment procedures for boards and commissions are outlined in Section 13-2, Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended ("Charter"), and Chapter 2.41, Maui County Code ("MCC").

Your Committee also notes specific provisions for the Molokai Planning Commission are located in Sections 2.28.020 and 2.28.070, MCC, and Charter Section 8-8.4.

The Council must approve or disapprove the nomination of Leonora Espaniola by January 23, 2018, or the nomination will be deemed approved.

Your Committee did not request to interview Ms. Espaniola.

A representative of the Mayor said Ms. Espaniola is a small business owner on Molokai. The representative said she has experience serving her community on various boards, including Ohana Ministries, Inc.; Molokai Community Health Center; Maui Economic Opportunity, Inc. ("MEO"); and MEO Headstart.

Your Committee noted Ms. Espaniola was born and raised on Molokai and understands the needs of the community.

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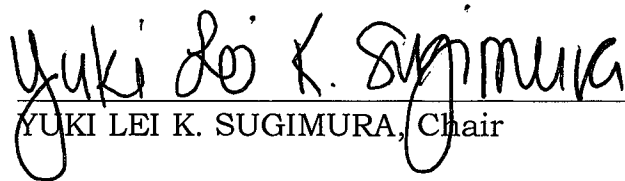
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Your Committee voted 7-0 to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution approving the nomination of Leonora Espaniola to the Molokai Planning Commission. Committee Chair Sugimura, Vice-Chair Crivello, and members Atay, Carroll, Cochran, Guzman, and White voted "aye." Committee members Hokama and King were excused.

Your Policy, Economic Development, and Agriculture Committee RECOMMENDS that Resolution \_\_\_\_\_, attached hereto, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF LEONORA ESPANIOLA TO THE MOLOKAI PLANNING COMMISSION," be ADOPTED.

This report is submitted in accordance with Rule 8 of the Rules of the Council.

  
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YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair

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# Resolution

No. \_\_\_\_\_

## RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF LEONORA ESPANIOLA TO THE MOLOKAI PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, by correspondence dated November 24, 2017, Acting Mayor Keith A. Regan notified the Council he nominated Leonora Espaniola to the Molokai Planning Commission for a term expiring on March 31, 2021, to fill a vacancy replacing Robert Stephenson, pursuant to Section 2.28.020, Maui County Code, and Sections 8-8.4 and 13-2, Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended, ("Charter"); and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 13-2, requires the Mayor's nominee to be approved by the Council; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 13-2(17), requires the Council to approve or disapprove the nomination within sixty days after the Mayor submits the name of the nominee to the Council because of the death, resignation, or removal of a member; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 8-8.4 contains specific provisions relating to the Molokai Planning Commission; now, therefore,

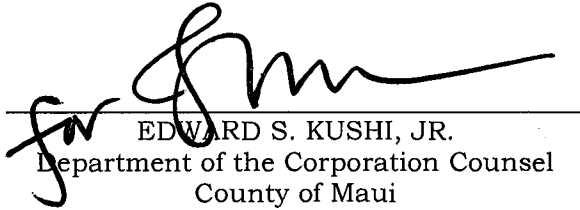
BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

1. That it approves the appointment of Leonora Espaniola to serve on the Molokai Planning Commission for a term expiring March 31, 2021;
2. That the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Leonora Espaniola for her willingness to be considered for public service and actively participate in County government; and

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3. That certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, and the Corporation Counsel.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

  
EDWARD S. KUSHI, JR.  
Department of the Corporation Counsel  
County of Maui

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