POLICY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

April 7, 2017	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 March 20, 2017, 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 January 30, 2017, the Mayor transmitted the following:

- 1. A proposed resolution entitled "APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE KULA AGRICULTURAL PARK COMMITTEE FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI," along with completed applications for the nominees. The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve or disapprove the Mayor's nominations of Jamie Davidson (General Public) and Brandon Shim (Farm Bureau Representative) to the Kula Agricultural Park Committee for terms beginning April 1, 2017, and expiring on March 31, 2022.
- 2. A proposed resolution entitled "APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO THE MAUI REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY," along with a completed application for the nominee. The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve or disapprove the Mayor's nomination of Reid Kawabata to the Maui Redevelopment Agency for a term beginning April 1, 2017, and expiring on March 31, 2022.
- 3. A proposed resolution entitled "APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE URBAN DESIGN REVIEW BOARD FOR THE COUNTY

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OF MAUI," along with completed applications for the nominees. The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve or disapprove the Mayor's nominations of Mikal Torgerson (Architect), Darren Unemori (Engineer), and Tammy Yeh (Civil Engineer) (Alternate) to the Urban Design Review Board for terms beginning April 1, 2017, and expiring on March 31, 2022.

Your Committee notes it previously made recommendations on nominees to the following boards by Policy, Economic Development, and Agriculture Committee Report 17-46: Maui Redevelopment Agency and Urban Design Review Board. Those recommendations were adopted by the Council at its meeting of March 24, 2017 (Resolutions 17-58 and 17-59, respectively).

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, and Chapter 2.41, Maui County Code (MCC).

Your Committee further notes specific provisions for the Kula Agricultural Park Committee are located in Sections 2.40.180 and 22.04A.070, MCC.

There is no time limitation for Council to approve or disapprove the nominations.

Your Committee did not request to interview the nominees.

A representative of the Mayor distributed an updated application for nominee Jamie Davidson. Your Committee notes Mr. Davidson possesses background knowledge in agricultural science and farm management, and is no longer employed with Monsanto as reflected in an earlier dated application.

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A representative from the Office of Economic Development said members of the Kula Agricultural Park Committee represent conventional, rather than, organic farmers. She added that the County is looking to create an organic park in Haiku with plans to have its own advisory committee.

Your Committee notes Ordinance 4336 (2016) amended the requirements of the Kula Agricultural Park Committee to decrease the membership from 11 to 9. The changes include requiring one representative, instead of two, from the agricultural lending or banking community and deleting the need for a representative from the Maui farmers exchange or other produce processing co-op.

Your Committee further notes Section 22.04A.070, MCC states, if reasonably possible, the Kula Agricultural Park Committee shall consist of nine members representing various groups such as the agricultural lending or banking community, the Maui County farm bureau, and an agricultural trade organization.

Your Committee recommended deferral of the nomination of Jamie Davidson (General Public) to the Kula Agricultural Park Committee to give the Committee more time to consider his nomination.

Because nominee Brandon Shim is a current member of the Farm Bureau, your Committee was satisfied with his nomination and recommended Exhibit "B," Approved Member and Term, to the proposed resolution be revised accordingly.

Your Committee voted 6-0 to recommend approval of the nomination of Brandon Shim (Farm Bureau Representative) to the Kula Agricultural Park Committee. Committee members Atay, Carroll, Cochran, Guzman, King, and White voted "aye." Committee Vice-Chair Crivello and member Hokama were excused. Your Committee Chair abstained from the vote as a current sitting member of the Kula Agricultural Park Committee.

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Your Committee is in receipt of a revised proposed resolution, approved as to form and legality by the Department of the Corporation Counsel, incorporating your Committee's recommended revision.

Your Policy, Economic Development, and Agriculture Committee RECOMMENDS that Resolution ______, attached hereto, entitled "APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE KULA AGRICULTURAL PARK COMMITTEE FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI," be ADOPTED.

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

KI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair

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Resolution

No.				

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE KULA AGRICULTURAL PARK COMMITTEE FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 30, 2017, Mayor Alan M. Arakawa notified the Council that he nominated the persons listed in Exhibit "A", attached hereto, as members to the Kula Agricultural Park Committee for the County of Maui, pursuant to Sections 2.40.180 and 22.04A.070, Maui County Code ("MCC"); and

WHEREAS, Sections 2.40.180 and 22.04A.070 of the MCC require the Mayor's nominee to be approved by the Council; now, therefore,

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

- 1. That it hereby approves the appointment of the persons listed in Exhibit "B", attached hereto, as members to the Kula Agricultural Park Committee for the terms as specified therein; and
- 2. That it hereby disapproves the appointment of the persons listed in Exhibit "C" as members to the Kula Agricultural Park Committee as nominated by the Mayor; and
- 3. That the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to the appointed members for their willingness to be considered for public service and actively participate in County government; and
- 4. 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.

First Deputy Corporation Counsel

County of Maui 2017-0072/2017-0098

PEA-2(3) 2017-03-22 KAPC Term Expiration

NOMINATED MEMBERS AND TERMS

KULA AGRICULTURAL PARK COMMITTEE

Jamie Davidson (General Public) Term 4/1/17 through 3/31/22 Brandon Shim (Farm Bureau Representative) Term 4/1/17 through 3/31/22

APPROVED MEMBER AND TERM

KULA AGRICULTURAL PARK COMMITTEE

Brandon Shim (Farm Bureau Representative) Term 4/1/17 through 3/31/22

DISAPPROVED MEMBERS