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Subject: Community Plan Advisory Committees (PC-5)

Aloha Kelly,

You had asked us to prepare some criteria or requirements for the Community Plan Advisory Committees, which will be discussed by your Planning Committee on Thursday.

As you know, the Council appoints nine CPAC members and the Mayor appoints four. When the Council appoints its members, it does so through the relevant committee (typically the Planning Committee); the committee meeting and subsequent Council meeting are open to the public, and testimony is accepted.

When the Lanai and Molokai CPACs were appointed, the Planning Department was not involved or consulted in the Council's process. We do not know the details of how the Council selected its appointees, though it is our understanding that the Council advertised to the general public and accepted nominations.

Overall, it is desirable to have balance -- a balance of age, gender, background, profession, heritage, experience, education, ideology, vision, etc. For a CPAC to be an effective representation of an entire community plan region, it needs to have individuals that connect to all parts of that community -- or as many parts as 13 people can. There also needs to be a commitment to attend meetings and participate. You can have a very well-balanced CPAC but if members don't attend the great majority of the meetings, then we don't get all perspectives included in the mix.

Hope this helps.

Mahalo, Michele.

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