

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

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

August 3, 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 July 23, 2018, makes reference to County Communication 18-255, from the Mayor, transmitting the following:

1. A proposed resolution entitled "APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM SPENCE AS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS." The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve the appointment of William Spence as the Director of Housing and Human Concerns, pursuant to Sections 6-2(5) and 8-10.2 of the Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended.
2. A proposed resolution entitled "APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF MICHELE MCLEAN AS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING." The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve the appointment of Michele McLean as the Planning Director, pursuant to Sections 6-2(5) and 8-8.2 of the Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended.

Your Committee considered the appointment of the Director of Housing and Human Concerns.

Pursuant to Section 8-10.2 of the Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended ("Charter"), "the director of housing and human concerns shall be appointed by the mayor with the approval of the council." Further, pursuant to Section 6-2(5) of the Charter, the Mayor

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shall appoint the Director of Housing and Human Concerns within 60 days after a vacancy is created. The deadline for Council approval is August 26, 2018, or the appointment will be deemed confirmed.

Your Committee notes the Charter requires that the Director of Housing and Human Concerns “shall have had a minimum of five years of experience in an administrative capacity, either in public service or private business, or both.”

Your Committee interviewed Mr. Spence.

As Planning Director, Mr. Spence said he has always supported housing, particularly affordable housing. Although the term of his appointment will end in the next five months, he is excited for the opportunity to use his planning background to move projects forward.

Your Committee notes Mr. Spence has held the position of Planning Director since January 2011 and has been a member of the American Planning Association since 1987.

Your Committee further notes Mr. Spence possesses a Bachelor of Science degree in Urban and Regional Planning from California State Polytechnic at Pomona, School of Environmental Design.

Your Committee considered the appointment of the Planning Director.

Pursuant to Section 8-8.2 of the Charter, “the planning director shall be appointed by the mayor with the approval of the council.” Further, pursuant to Section 6-2(5) of the Charter, the Mayor shall appoint the Planning Director within 60 days after a vacancy is created. The deadline for Council approval is August 26, 2018, or the appointment will be deemed confirmed.

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Your Committee notes the Charter requires that the Planning Director “shall have had a minimum of five years of experience in the field of planning, at least three of which shall have been in an administrative capacity, either in public service or private business, or both.”

Your Committee interviewed Ms. McLean.

Ms. McLean said her background as a Legislative Analyst served her well as an administrator and as a planner. She said there are a handful of planning initiatives she would like to see completed by the end of this term.

Your Committee notes Ms. McLean served as the Deputy Planning Director since 2011. In this capacity, she assisted with overseeing all operations of the Department comprised of five divisions, Administration, Long Range Planning, Current Planning, Zoning Administration & Enforcement, and Plan Implementation. According to her resume, Ms. McLean was previously employed as a Land Use Planner with Smith Development.

Your Committee further notes Ms. McLean possesses a Bachelor’s degree in Political Science from Vassar College and a Master’s degree in Business Administration from University of Phoenix.

Your Committee questioned the need to appoint individuals to these positions given the few months left in the term.

Your Committee acknowledged the importance for employees in the respective departments, and the general public, to rely on authority, instead of dealing with interim or acting figures.

Your Committee acknowledged Mr. Spence’s and Ms. McLean’s commitment to address the County’s housing and planning needs, respectively, for the benefit of the community. Your Committee was

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assured of their qualifications to meet the responsibilities of their new roles.

Your Committee voted 8-0 to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution to approve Mr. Spence's appointment as the Director of Housing and Human Concerns, adoption of the proposed resolution to approve Ms. McLean's appointment as the Planning Director, and filing of the communication. Committee Chair Sugimura, Vice-Chair Crivello, and members Atay, Carroll, Cochran, Hokama, King, and White voted "aye." Committee member Guzman was excused.

Your Policy, Economic Development, and Agriculture Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That Resolution _____, attached hereto, entitled "APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM SPENCE AS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS," be ADOPTED;
2. That Resolution _____, attached hereto, entitled "APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF MICHELE MCLEAN AS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING," be ADOPTED; and
3. That County Communication 18-255 be FILED.

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



YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA Chair

Resolution

No. _____

APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF
WILLIAM SPENCE AS THE DIRECTOR
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING
AND HUMAN CONCERNS

WHEREAS, by letter dated June 26, 2018, Mayor Alan Arakawa notified the Council that he appointed William Spence as the Director of the Department of Housing and Human Concerns; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 8-10.2 states that, "The director of housing and human concerns shall be appointed by the mayor with the approval of the council and may be removed by the mayor."; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6-2.5 provides that the Council shall confirm or deny the appointment within 60 days after receiving notice of the appointment by the mayor; now, therefore,

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

1. That it hereby approves the appointment of William Spence as the Director of the Department of Housing and Human Concerns; and
2. 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.
Deputy Corporation Counsel
County of Maui

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Resolution

No. _____

APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF MICHELE MCLEAN AS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

WHEREAS, by letter dated June 26, 2018, Mayor Alan Arakawa notified the Council that he appointed Michele McLean as the Director of the Department of Planning; and

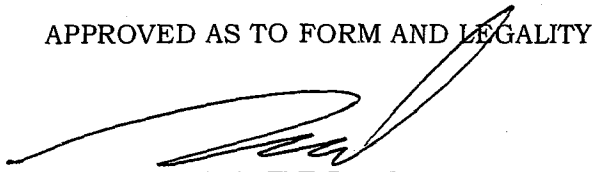
WHEREAS, Charter Section 8-8.2 states that, "The planning director shall be appointed by the mayor with the approval of the council and may be removed by the mayor."; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6-2.5 provides that the Council shall confirm or deny the appointment within 60 days after receiving notice of the appointment by the mayor; now, therefore,

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

1. That it hereby approves the appointment of Michele McLean as the Director of the Department of Planning; and
2. 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.
Deputy Corporation Counsel
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