

Resolution

No. 23-21

ESTABLISHING THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE (AH) OF THE COUNCIL, DEFINING ITS DUTIES, AND APPOINTING ITS MEMBERS

WHEREAS, the primary purpose of the Maui County Council's standing committees is to provide well-considered recommendations to the Council on legislation referred to the standing committees; and

WHEREAS, standing committees may also provide oversight of agencies of the County and receive information presentations on issues within the committees' subject-matter jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended, establishes the powers, duties, functions, and declared policy of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Maui County General Plan establishes the following objectives:

- A. Protect the Natural Environment;
- B. Preserve Local Cultures and Traditions;
- C. Improve Education;
- D. Strengthen Social and Healthcare Services;
- E. Expand Housing Opportunities for Residents;
- F. Strengthen the Local Economy;
- G. Improve Parks and Public Facilities;
- H. Diversify Transportation Options;
- I. Improve Physical Infrastructure;
- J. Promote Sustainable Land Use and Growth Management;
- K. Strive for Good Governance; and
- L. Mitigate Climate Change and Work Toward Resilience; and

WHEREAS, the standing committees should be organized to help the Council further the powers, duties, functions, and declared policy of the County as established in the Charter and the objectives in the General Plan; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui that the Affordable House Committee (AH) standing committee of the Council is established for the 2023-2025 Council term.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui that, to expedite the business of the Council, the Affordable Housing Committee (AH) is formed to make recommendations to the Council on bills and resolutions and exercise legislative oversight on County government on the following:

1. Affordable or residential workforce housing programs, including expedited approvals of housing projects under Chapter 201H, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, and Chapter 2.97, Maui County Code.
2. Amendments to the Residential Workforce Housing Policy and other affordable-housing ordinances.
3. Proposals for increasing the availability or affordability of housing.
4. Oversight of the Department of Planning, the Department of Housing and Human Concerns' Housing Division through June 30, 2024; and, effective July 1, 2024, the Department of Housing.
5. Implementation of the following General Plan objective:
 - i. Expand Housing Opportunities for Residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui that the following voting members are appointed to the Affordable Housing Committee (AH) of the Council:

- _____, Chair
- _____, Vice-Chair
- _____, Voting Member

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui that all Councilmembers who are not voting members of a standing committee serve as non-voting members of the committee and may participate in the proceedings, but may not be counted toward quorum for the committee.

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