



PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

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GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

9:00 a.m.

MEETING SITE:

Online via BlueJeans:

<https://bluejeans.com/175115369>

Phone testimony: 1-408-915-6290, code 175 115 369

In-person testimony: Council Chamber, Kalana O Maui Building,

8th Flr, 200 S. High Street, Wailuku, HI

Courtesy Live Broadcast: Akaku, Channel 53

AGENDA

NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS (MAUI COUNTY CULTURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION) (GREAT-2(33))

Description: The Committee is in receipt of correspondence dated November 22, 2021 (received on November 23, 2021), from the Mayor, transmitting a proposed resolution, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF KAPONO KAMAUNU TO THE MAUI COUNTY CULTURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION," with a completed application for the nominee. The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve or disapprove the Mayor's nomination of Kapono Kamaunu to the Maui County Cultural Resources Commission, for a term expiring on March 31, 2022, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Tanya Lee-Greig.

Status: The Council must approve or disapprove the nomination by January 22, 2022, or the nomination will be deemed approved. The Committee may consider whether to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution, with or without revisions. The Committee may also consider other related action.

[Correspondence from Mayor 11-22-2021](#)

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NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS (PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION) (GREAT-2(34))

Description: The Committee is in receipt of correspondence, dated December 15, 2021, from the Mayor, transmitting a proposed resolution, entitled “RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF JOAQUIN FREITAS, JR. TO THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI,” with a completed application for the nominee. The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve or disapprove the Mayor’s nomination of Joaquin Freitas, Jr. to the Public Works Commission, for a term expiring on March 31, 2024, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of John Blanchard.

Status: The Council must approve or disapprove the nomination by February 13, 2022, or the nomination will be deemed approved. The Committee may consider whether to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution, with or without revisions. The Committee may also consider other related action.

[Correspondence from Mayor 12-15-2021](#)

APPOINTMENTS TO SOUTH MAUI ADVISORY COMMITTEE (GREAT-33)

Description: The Committee is in receipt of the following:

1. County Communication 21-228, from Councilmember Michael J. Molina, relating to appointments to South Maui Advisory Committee.
2. Correspondence dated December 22, 2021, from the Department of the Corporation Counsel, transmitting a proposed resolution entitled “APPOINTMENT OF DANIEL KANAHELE TO THE SOUTH MAUI ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE MAUI PLANNING COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI.” The purpose of the proposed resolution is to appoint Daniel Kanahele as a member to the South Maui Advisory Committee, for a staggered term of three or five years, as selected by lot, and to fulfill the membership requirement for an individual with demonstrated expertise in native Hawaiian traditional and customary practices, in accordance with Sections 2.28.050 and 2.28.070, Maui County Code, respectively.

Status: The Committee may consider whether to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution, with or without revisions. The Committee may also consider the filing of County Communication 21-228 and other related action.

[County Communication 21-228](#)

[Daniel Kanahele's board application 12-02-2021](#)

[Correspondence from Corporation Counsel 12-22-2021](#)

POLICE COMMISSION COMMENTS ON ORDINANCE 5174 (2020), ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 9.40, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING

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TO SOCIAL-HOST LIABILITY (GREAT-41)

Description: The Committee is in receipt of the following:

1. County Communication 21-385, from the Chair of the Police Commission, providing comments on Ordinance 5174 (2020), establishing Chapter 9.40, Maui County Code, relating to “social host liability.”
2. Correspondence dated December 21, 2021, from the Department of the Corporation Counsel, transmitting a proposed bill entitled “A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 9.40, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO SOCIAL HOST LIABILITY.” The purpose of the proposed bill is to require the Police Commission adopt administrative rules and administer the appeals process.

Status: The Committee may consider whether to recommend passage of the proposed bill on first reading, with or without revisions. The Committee may also consider the filing of County Communication 21-385 and other related action.

[County Communication 21-385](#)

[Correspondence from Corporation Counsel 12-21-2021](#)

LITIGATION MATTERS (SETTLEMENT AUTHORIZATION: GEOFFREY E. WITTMER, AS THE SPECIAL ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE ESTATE OF ERIC G. WITTMER, DECEASED, V. COUNTY OF MAUI, MAUI POLICE DEPARTMENT, ET AL.; CIVIL 19-1-0198 (1)) (GREAT-11(10))

Description: The Committee is in receipt of correspondence dated November 29, 2021, from the Department of the Corporation Counsel, transmitting a proposed resolution entitled “AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF GEOFFREY E. WITTMER, ET AL. v. COUNTY OF MAUI, ET AL., CIVIL 19-1-0198 (1),” and a copy of the Second Amended Complaint filed on April 9, 2020. The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize settlement of the claim. The claim alleges three counts involving negligence, wrongful death, and attorneys’ fees.

Status: The Committee may consider whether to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution, with or without revisions. The Committee may also consider the filing of the correspondence and other related action.

Note: With reference to this agenda item, one or more executive meetings are anticipated in accordance with Section 92-5(a)(4), Hawaii Revised Statutes, to consult with legal counsel on questions and issues pertaining to the powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities of the County, the Council, and the Committee.

[Correspondence from Corporation Counsel 11-29-2021](#)

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Video testimony via BlueJeans link: <https://bluejeans.com/175115369>

Oral testimony via phone by dialing: 1-408-915-6290 and entering meeting code 175 115 369

In-person testimony and viewing: Council Chamber, Kalana O Maui Building, 8th Floor, 200 South High Street, Wailuku, Hawaii

Written testimony via eComment.

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West Maui Old Lahaina Center 845 Wainee Street, Lahaina (808) 856-0123	Lāna'i Lāna'i Community Center 8th Street, Lāna'i City (808) 565-7094	Makawao-Ha'ikū-Pā'ia Heritage Hall 401 Baldwin Avenue, Suite 102, Pā'ia (808) 793-0099

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