

REQUEST FOR LEGAL SERVICES

Date: January 20, 2022
From: Michael J. Molina, Chair
Government Relations, Ethics, and Transparency Committee

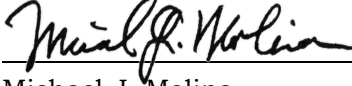
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Memo to: DEPARTMENT OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL
Attention: Mimi DesJardins, Esq.

Subject: REMOVAL OF ERIC CUOMO FROM THE COST OF GOVERNMENT COMMISSION
(GREAT-48)

Background Data: Please see the attached revised resolution. Please submit response to great.committee@mauicounty.us with a reference to GREAT-48.

Work Requested: ☒ FOR APPROVAL AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
☐ OTHER:

Requestor's signature  Michael J. Molina	Contact Person <u>Shelly Espeleta</u> (Telephone Extension: <u>7134</u>)
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☐ ROUTINE (WITHIN 15 WORKING DAYS) ☐ RUSH (WITHIN 5 WORKING DAYS)
☐ PRIORITY (WITHIN 10 WORKING DAYS) ☐ URGENT (WITHIN 3 WORKING DAYS)

☒ SPECIFY DUE DATE (IF IMPOSED BY SPECIFIC CIRCUMSTANCES): January 26, 2022
REASON: For posting on February 4, 2022, Council agenda.

FOR CORPORATION COUNSEL'S RESPONSE

ASSIGNED TO:	ASSIGNMENT NO.	BY:
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TO REQUESTOR: ☐ APPROVED ☐ DISAPPROVED ☐ OTHER (SEE COMMENTS BELOW)
☐ RETURNING--PLEASE EXPAND AND PROVIDE DETAILS REGARDING ITEMS AS NOTED

COMMENTS (NOTE - THIS SECTION NOT TO BE USED FOR LEGAL ADVICE): _____

DEPARTMENT OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

Date _____

By _____ (Rev. 7/03)

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Attachment

Resolution

No. _____

REMOVAL OF ERIC CUOMO FROM THE COST OF GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI

WHEREAS, by letter dated November 5, 2021, Mayor Michael P. Victorino recommended the removal of member Eric Cuomo from the Cost of Government Commission for the County of Maui due to his non-attendance at any meetings this year; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cuomo has not attended any board meetings since his appointment in accordance with a letter dated October 28, 2021, from Chair Michael Williams, attached as Exhibit “1”; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cuomo was appointed to the Cost of Government Commission for the County of Maui by Resolution 21-102, adopted on June 18, 2021, for a term expiring on March 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Section 13-2(5) of the Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended, provides that “members of boards and commissions appointed by the mayor, with the approval of the council, may be removed for cause upon recommendation of such removal by the mayor and the approval of two-thirds of the entire membership of the council”; now, therefore,

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

1. That it approves the removal of Eric Cuomo from the Cost of Government for the County of Maui;
2. That such removal will be effective upon adoption of this Resolution; and

Resolution No. _____

3. That certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, and the Corporation Counsel.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Deputy Corporation Counsel
County of Maui

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Michael Williams
Chair



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COST OF GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

COUNTY OF MAUI

2145 WELLS STREET, SUITE 303
WAILUKU, MAUI, HAWAII 96793

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

October 28, 2021

Honorable Michael P. Victorino
Mayor, County of Maui
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mayor Victorino:

**SUBJECT: COST OF GOVERNMENT COMMISSION REQUEST TO REPLACE
ERIC CUOMO**

I am writing with respect to the appointment of Eric Cuomo to the Cost of Government Commission. Mr. Cuomo was confirmed by the County Council in June, but he has failed to complete the requisite paperwork (i.e., financial disclosure, oath of office) to participate in Commission meetings. As such, the Commission respectfully requests that Mr. Cuomo's appointment be withdrawn and that a replacement be appointed as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Michael Williams", is written over the word "Sincerely," and extends across the line.

MICHAEL WILLIAMS
Chair

cc: Alice Lee, Chair, Maui County Council
Lance Taguchi, County Auditor
Keola Whittaker, Deputy Corporation Counsel
Ipo Mossman, Community Liaison and Commission Ex-Officio Member, Office of the Mayor

EXHIBIT " 1 "