

**COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI**

# **GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE**

October 7, 2022

**Committee  
Report No. \_\_\_\_\_**

Honorable Chair and Members  
of the County Council  
County of Maui  
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Government Relations, Ethics, and Transparency Committee,  
having met on September 13, 2022, makes reference to the following:

1. County Communication 21-42, from Council Chair Alice L. Lee, relating to nominations to boards, committees, and commissions.
2. Resolution 22-63 entitled "APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO THE MAUI REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY."

Resolution 22-63's purpose is to approve or disapprove the Mayor's nomination of Patrick David Kekoa Ihu to the Maui Redevelopment Agency ("MRA"), for a term expiring on March 31, 2027.

By correspondence dated March 7, 2022, the County Clerk transmitted a letter from the Acting Mayor, dated February 14, 2022, and received on February 15, 2022, with a completed application for the nominee.

Your Committee notes general appointment procedures for boards, committees, and commissions are outlined in Section 13-2, Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended, and Chapter 2.41, Maui County Code.

Your Committee further notes specific provisions for the Maui Redevelopment Agency are located in Section 2.40.050, Maui County Code, and Section 53-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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There is no time limit for the Council to approve or disapprove the nomination; however, with two vacancies currently on the five-member board, there are issues with quorum.

Your Committee interviewed Mr. Ihu.

Mr. Ihu is the founder of Ihu Properties, LLC, and a real estate principal broker. He said being born and raised in Old Wailuku Town and witnessing the transformation of the area provides him with a feeling of responsibility to maintain the history and culture of Wailuku.

Mr. Ihu said he supports the arts and economic redevelopment initiatives taking place in Wailuku Town.

According to his application, Mr. Ihu has more than 25 years of experience in commercial and residential real estate, property management, association management, investment, and development. He is a member of the Wailuku Community Association and Business Network International, Maui Chapter.

He said he would recuse himself, if necessary, if issues before the MRA conflicted with his real estate work, but since he does not plan on investing in the Wailuku Redevelopment Area, he does not anticipate concerns.

Your Committee expressed appreciation for Mr. Ihu's willingness to serve the community. Your Committee recommended his nomination to the Maui Redevelopment Agency be approved and Exhibit "B" to Resolution 22-63, be revised accordingly.

Your Committee voted 9-0 to recommend adoption of Resolution 22-63, CD1. Committee Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, and members Johnson, Kama, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci, and Sugimura voted "aye."

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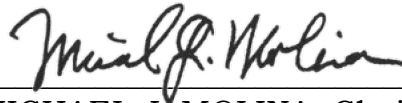
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Your Committee is in receipt of Resolution 22-63, CD1, approved as to form and legality by the Department of the Corporation Counsel, incorporating your Committee's recommended revisions and nonsubstantive revisions.

Your Government Relations, Ethics, and Transparency Committee RECOMMENDS that Resolution 22-63, CD1, as revised herein and attached hereto, entitled "APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO THE MAUI REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY," be ADOPTED.

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



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MICHAEL J. MOLINA, Chair

# Resolution

**No. 22-63, CD1**

## APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO THE MAUI REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

WHEREAS, by letter dated February 14, 2022, Mayor Michael P. Victorino notified the Council that he nominated the person listed in Exhibit "A," as attached, as a member to the Maui Redevelopment Agency, in accordance with Section 2.40.050, Maui County Code, and Section 53-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.40.050, Maui County Code, requires the Mayor's nominee to be approved by the Council; now, therefore,

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

1. That it approves the appointment of the person listed in Exhibit "B," as attached, as a member to the Maui Redevelopment Agency for the term as specified;
2. That it disapproves the appointment of the person listed in Exhibit "C," as attached, as a member to the Maui Redevelopment Agency as nominated by the Mayor;
3. That the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to the appointed member for his willingness to be considered for public service and actively participate in County government; and
4. That certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, and the Corporation Counsel.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:



Department of the Corporation Counsel  
County of Maui

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**NOMINATED MEMBER AND TERM**

**MAUI REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

Patrick David Kekoa Ihu

Term Expiration 3/31/2027

**APPROVED MEMBER AND TERM**

**MAUI REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

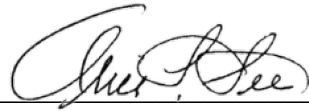
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**DISAPPROVED MEMBER**

**MAUI REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

INTRODUCED BY:

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ALICE L. LEE

Upon the request of the Mayor