

## Mike J. Molina

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Aloha Council Chair Kelly King, GET Chair Mike Molina, and GET Vice-Chair Keanini Rawlings-Fernandez,

My name is Francine Kekahuna Aaronson, also known as Auntie Mopsy/Protect Pa'ia .

I am writing to you on the confirmation of Mayor Victorino's selection of Michele McLean as the Planning Director.

As a member of the Pa'ia Association Board and a resident of Pa'ia, I have worked along side with Ms. McLean with community issues that affect the people of Pa'ia. She has attended community meetings to bring clarity to conflicting issues that we are faced with in our Pa'ia/Ha'iku Community Plan and the Maui Plan. She was very instrumental in clarifying the conflict that we face with STHR (vacation rentals) in both plans. That is still an issue today that will hopefully be decided by this council for the future of Pa'ia/ Ha'iku

I have been to many Planning Commission meetings where she has had to clarify decisions made by the Planning Department and remain professional in her explanations. She is trustworthy and remains fair in the recommendations that are presented. Her wealth of knowledge as a Deputy Planning Director and Acting Planning Director will keep us on track with unfinished business during her term as the Planning Director.

She also sits on our Pa'ia Board Association as a member and resident and is helpful in providing clarification to issues that face our community in decisions we make as a board.

We have much unfinished business to be done in the next term and I recommend that you confirm the appointment of Michele McLean as the Planning Director.

Respectfully,  
Auntie Mopsy/ Protect Pa'ia