

Mike J. Molina

From: Paul Critchlow <beej8000@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 22, 2019 2:45 PM
To: Kelly King; Mike J. Molina; Keani N. Rawlins
Subject: Appointment of Planning Director, GET-1"

Dear Council Chair Kelly King, GET Chair Mike Molina, GET Vice-Chair keani Rawlins-Fernandez, and Counsel members:

It is with a strong sense of pride that I request for your approval of Michele McLean as Planning Director. I have been a Staff Planner in the Zoning Division of Department of Planning for the past 10 years; over those years I believe Michele has proven to be the best Planning Director I have worked with.

Her management style is extremely accessible, she's a very hands-on administrator, and has proven to be available for staff whenever needed. She is intelligent, she takes the time to read and understand the zoning code, and she makes fair sound decisions. She does not ignore the zoning code, but helps staff and the public to work within the code toward a satisfactory solution. She has also proven herself to be willing to go through the long process of amending the zoning code to make needed changes.

She is sharp witted (she has an ability to see through all the "fluff", right to the heart of a matter)... and with all the politics and with developers always trying to sneak things through, I believe this helps her make the tough decisions that she must often make in the role of a Planning Director.

If you approve Michele as the Planning Director; I believe she will make you proud, she will successfully implement the policies you want to see implemented, and she will be and continue to be the Planning Director for ALL the people of Maui County.

Sincerely,
Paul B Critchlow