

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI
GOVERNANCE, ETHICS, AND
TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE

July 10, 2020

Committee
Report No. _____

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

Chair and Members:

Your Governance, Ethics, and Transparency Committee, having met on June 23, 2020, and June 30, 2020 (reconvene), makes reference to County Communication 19-28, from Council Chair Kelly T. King, relating to proposed amendments to the Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended ("Charter").

By correspondence dated July 10, 2019, Council Chair Kelly T. King transmitted a proposed resolution entitled "PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE REVISED CHARTER OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI (1983), AS AMENDED, RELATING TO FREQUENCY OF COUNCIL MEETINGS."

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to place on the next General Election ballot the question of whether Section 3-5 of the Charter should be amended, effective January 2, 2021, to require the Council to meet at least 21 times each year, rather than at least twice each month.

Your Committee notes Article 14 of the Charter sets procedures related to amending the Charter. The Council, by resolution adopted after two readings on separate days and passed by a vote of six or more members, may place a Charter amendment question on the ballot at the next General Election.

In consideration of your Committee's approaching deadline of June 30, 2020, to thoroughly vet all remaining Charter amendment proposals, your Committee voted to file the correspondence.

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Your Committee voted 9-0 to recommend filing of the correspondence. Committee Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, and members Hokama, Kama, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci, and Sugimura voted "aye."


Your Governance, Ethics, and Transparency Committee RECOMMENDS that the correspondence be FILED.

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



MICHAEL J. MOLINA, Chair

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PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE REVISED CHARTER OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI (1983), AS AMENDED, RELATING TO FREQUENCY OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

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

1. That, pursuant to Section 14-1(1), Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended ("Charter"), it hereby proposes that Section 3-5 of the Charter, pertaining to Council meetings, be amended by amending subsection 2 to read as follows:

"2. The council shall meet regularly at least [twice in every month] twenty-one times each year at such times and places as the council may prescribe by rule. Special meetings may be held on the call of the mayor, chair, or [of] five or more members and, whenever practical, upon no less than seventy-two (72) hours effective notice to each member."; and

2. That material to be repealed is bracketed and new material is underscored; and

3. That, pursuant to Section 14-2(1) of the Charter, this resolution be submitted to the voters of the County of Maui at the next general election; and

4. That the County Clerk prepare the necessary ballot for presentation to the voters at the next general election; and

5. That, pursuant to Section 14-1(1) of the Charter, it hereby proposes that the following question be placed on the next general election ballot:

"Shall the Charter be amended, effective January 2, 2021, to require the Council to meet at least twenty-one times each year, rather than at least twice each month?"; and

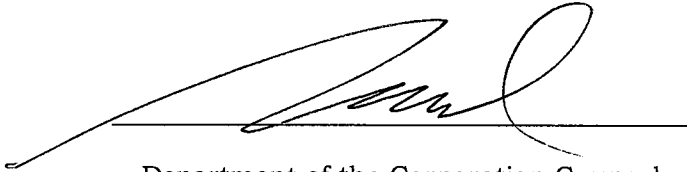
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6. That, pursuant to Section 14-2(2) of the Charter, the County Clerk shall publish the proposed amendment as set forth in this resolution in its entirety in a newspaper of general circulation; and

7. That, upon approval by the majority of the voters voting on the proposed amendment, the amendment proposed herein shall take effect as of January 2, 2021; and

8. That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. M.', is written over a horizontal line.

Department of the Corporation Counsel
County of Maui

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