COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

GOVERNANCE, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE

December 4, 2020	Committee		
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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 November 17, 2020, makes reference to County Communication 19-24, from Council Chair Kelly T. King, relating to nominations to boards, committees, and commissions.

By correspondence dated and received on October 29, 2020, the Mayor transmitted a proposed resolution, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF JOHANNA AMORIN TO THE BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI," with a completed application for the nominee.

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve or disapprove the Mayor's nomination of Johanna Amorin to the Board of Water Supply, for a term expiring on March 31, 2024, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Harolen Kaiwi.

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 ("Charter"), and Chapter 2.41, Maui County Code.

Your Committee further notes specific provisions for the Board of Water Supply are located in Charter Section 8-11.3.

The Council must approve or disapprove Ms. Amorin's nomination to the Board of Water Supply by December 28, 2020, or the nomination will be deemed approved.

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Your Committee discussed Ms. Amorin's nomination to the Board of Water Supply and interviewed Ms. Amorin.

Ms. Amorin said she realizes there are many controversial issues regarding water. As a board member, she would strive to maintain good communication, and be willing to understand and listen to both sides of the issues before making decisions.

According to her board application, Ms. Amorin is president of a staffing and payroll service company on Maui. She has been involved with community organizations such as Kaahumanu Society, Na Wahine Hui O Kamehameha Royal Order of Kamehameha I, and Maui Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce. She was also chair and board member of the Maui Planning Commission from 2003 to 2008.

Ms. Amorin confirmed her availability to attend meetings, whether held in person or via interactive conference technology.

Your Committee was satisfied with Ms. Amorin's application and recommended her nomination be approved.

Your Committee voted 8-1 to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution approving the nomination. Committee Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, and members Hokama, Kama, King, Lee, Sinenci, and Sugimura voted "aye." Committee member Paltin voted "no."

Your Governance, Ethics, and Transparency Committee RECOMMENDS that Resolution ______, attached hereto, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF JOHANNA AMORIN TO THE BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI," be ADOPTED.

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

MICHAEL J. MOZINA, Chair

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Resolution

RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF JOHANNA AMORIN TO THE BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI

WHEREAS, by correspondence dated October 28, 2020, Mayor Michael P. Victorino notified the Council he nominated Johanna Amorin to the Board of Water Supply for the County of Maui for a term expiring on March 31, 2024, to fill a vacancy replacing Harolen Kaiwi, pursuant to Sections 8-11.3 and 13-2, Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended ("Charter"); and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 13-2, requires the Mayor's nominee to be approved by the Council; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 13-2(17), requires the Council to approve or disapprove the nomination within sixty days after the Mayor submits the name of the nominee to the Council because of the death, resignation, or removal of a member; now, therefore,

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

- 1. That it approves the appointment of Johanna Amorin to serve on the Board of Water Supply for a term expiring March 31, 2024; and
- 2. That the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Johanna Amorin for her willingness to be considered for public service and actively participate in County government; and
- 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

/s/ Mimi Desjardins

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Department of the Corporation Counsel
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